





St Aidan's Church
in the Parish of St Aidan Sudden Rochdale
and All Souls Heywood
www.staidan.org.uk



Newsletter January 2022

Worship at St Aidan's

Weekly Services Sunday 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church Wednesday 9.30am Holy Communion <i>Refreshments are served after the services.</i>			Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals by arrangement with the Vicar		
	2 nd January Epiphany	9 th January Baptism of Christ	16 th January Epiphany 2	23 rd January Epiphany 3	30 th January Presentation of Christ Candlemas
 Readings	Ephesians 3.1-12 Matthew 2.1-12	Acts 8.14-17 Luke 3.15-17,21-22	1 Corinthians 12.1-11 John 2.1-11	1 Corinthians 12.12-31a Luke 4.14-21	Corinthians 13.1-13 Luke 4.21-30
 Anthems	<i>What shall we give? Break Forth Bach</i>	<i>Holy Spirit gift bestower O Holy Spirit Tye</i>	<i>From the rising of the sun Ouseley</i>	<i>Teach me, O Lord Attwood</i>	<i>When Mary to the Temple went Eccard O Nata Lux Tallis</i>

To find the Collect for each week click [here](#)



**The Fellowship of
Contemplative Prayer**

Saying and reflection for January

"I will manifest my glory among you, in the sight of the nations" Ezekiel 20:41 (NIV)

<http://www.contemplative-prayer.org.uk/contemplative-exercises/archives/2022/>

Congratulations to Revd Read on his election to the Bishop's Council, representing the Rochdale Archdeaconry from January 2022.

St Aidan's Church supports local, national and international charities and we have recently been notified about this appeal by Christian Aid.

AFGHANISTAN CRISIS APPEAL

More than eight million people are on the brink of famine in Afghanistan.

Years of conflict, the Covid-19 pandemic, a change of government and the worst drought in 27 years have led to catastrophic hunger.

The situation will only get worse as the freezing weather sets in.

DEC charities, including Christian Aid, are already on the ground providing lifesaving aid, scaling up their operations and reaching those most in need.

There will be a collection plate in church on 2nd January or you can give online at www.dec.org.uk



Please speak to a Churchwarden or Sidesperson when you arrive on a Sunday morning if you would like a name to be added to or retained for the Intercession Prayers.

In Memoriam

The Flowers on Sunday 9th Jan have been donated by Ina In Loving memory of her Father Dr Alexander McGregor whose 30th anniversary was on 3rd Jan



Please contact Elizabeth Milne to donate to the Flower Fund or to arrange for flowers on a specific date, 01706 633179 or email newsletter@staidan.org.uk

Dedications to a Loved One: Dedications can be placed in hymn books; the St Aidan's Church Memorial Book or the Parish Book of Remembrance. Please contact Elaine Fowler if you would like to find out more.

Please also contact Elaine if you are skilled in *calligraphy* and can help to update the memorial book.

St Aidan's Church Children's Groups



Meetings of the Children's Groups will resume on 9th January

Kindergarten 3 -7 years Adventurers 7-14 years

We usually meet in church at 10am for the beginning of the service – the children will go out to the Hall with the Children's Leaders during the second (Gradual) hymn and return for Communion.

For further information about our work with Children & Young People, please speak to the Vicar or email safeguarding@staidan.org.uk

Our responsibility: caring for St Aidan's Church

On one Saturday in the month we meet from 9.30 -11am to tackle jobs that need doing around the church and grounds.

The next date for your diary is Saturday 22nd January 2022

Please speak to the Vicar or one of the Churchwardens if you can offer to help to care for the church buildings and grounds at another time – there is always something that needs doing and we all have responsibility for caring for our church.

Many thanks to Geoff, Karen, Harry and neighbours from Bruce Street who coped with the fallen tree after Storm Arwen at the end of November.



Saturdays at
St Aidan's



You can donate online to support Rochdale Foodbank [here](https://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/) and donations of food are accepted at most local supermarkets. Recent donations at church have been taken to Tesco <https://rochdale.foodbank.org.uk/>



Giving to St
Aidan's
Church

Your ongoing financial support is crucial to the upkeep of St Aidan's Church. Giving by the envelope scheme and standing order are vital ways of supporting our church. If you wish to join the scheme, to submit or amend a Gift Aid Declaration or change your method of giving to a direct transfer, please speak to Debra Buckley (Treasurer)

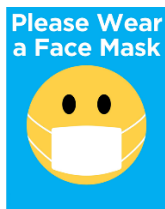
It really helps most if you are able to set up a standing order: the bank details are:

Parochial Church Council of St Aidan's Sudden

Sort Code: 05 07 22 Account number: 24965808

You can also help to raise funds for church at no extra cost to yourself when you shop online. Sign up for free at <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> and select your cause as 'St Aidan, Sudden, Rochdale'. If you would like to make a direct online donation to church you can do this from the [church website](#) or [A Church Near You](#)

We hope that our next major fundraising event will be the Spring Fair on 9th April 2022 (confirmation subject to the Covid-19 situation) Get your thinking caps on now for some interesting stalls!



Covid-19

The latest advice from the Diocese on Coronavirus can be found at <https://www.manchester.anglican.org/coronavirus/>

Please follow current guidance and protect others by wearing a mask in Church.

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Please send items to newsletter@staidan.org.uk and contact us if you would like to be added to the church mailing list. Past newsletters and notices are available on the church [website](#) and at <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/>

Our Mission is to be a strong church family, promoting and maintaining the Good News about Jesus to the Parish and the wider community.



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