






St Aidan's Church

in the Parish of St Aidan Sudden Rochdale
and All Souls Heywood

www.staidan.org.uk



Newsletter May 2022

<p>Weekly Services Sunday 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church Wednesday 9.30am Holy Communion</p> <p> Refreshments are served after the services</p>			<p>Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals by arrangement with the Vicar</p>		
	1st May Easter 3	8th May Easter 4	15th May Easter 5	22nd May Easter 6	29th May Easter 7 Sunday after Ascension
Readings 	Acts 9.1-6,(7-20) Psalm 30 Revelation 5.11-14 John 21.1-19	Acts 9.36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7.9-17 John 10.22-30	Acts 11.1-18 Psalm 148 Revelation 21.1-6 John 13.31-35	Acts 16.9-15 Psalm 67; Revelation 21.10,21.22-22.5 ; John 5.1-9	Acts 16.16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22.12-14,16-17,20-21 ; John 17.20-26
Anthems 	<i>Let all mortal flesh keep silence</i> <i>Surrexit Christus Taizé</i>	<i>Faithful shepherd feed me</i> <i>The Lord is my Shepherd Goodall</i>	<i>A new commandment</i> <i>Ubi Caritas Taizé</i>	<i>O Domine O Christe Rizzi</i> <i>Thou wilt keep Him in perfect peace Lee Williams</i>	<i>One is the body Bell</i> <i>God is gone up Hutchings</i>
To find the Collect for each week click here					



The Fellowship of
Contemplative Prayer

Monthly prayer meetings in the Chapel 11-11.45am

Next date: Saturday 7th May

**An opportunity for quiet contemplation in the midst of our busy weekends.
Led by Revd Michael**

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



Christian Aid envelopes will be placed in hymn books on Sundays during May. As we will not be delivering envelopes in the Parish, please take envelopes for yourselves, for your friends and families and return them to church with your donations.

For more information, see Elaine Fowler or take a look at the website where you can also donate online.

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week>



Thy Kingdom Come 26th May–5th June 2022

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. More information can be found at

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>



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 to the Intercession Prayers.



In Memoriam

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.



Saturdays at St Aidan's



Our responsibility to care 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. Please help if you can.

The next date for your diary is 21st May – please join us if you can.

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

Perhaps you can help even if you are unable to donate your time?

We really need to purchase a new vacuum cleaner for church – if you can make a donation please speak to Christine, Ann or Elaine.

Ivan Birchall, a long-standing church member, ex-Verger, poet (see the church [website](#)) and much-loved friend to all, is moving from Castleton soon and we will all miss him and wish him all the best in his new home.

Love and farewell to Ivan!



St Aidan's Church Children's Groups



Kindergarten 3-7 years & Adventurers 7-14 years

We meet in church during school term-time at 10am for the beginning of the service – the children go out to the Hall with the Children's Leaders during the second (Gradual) hymn and return for Communion. All Leaders have undertaken DBS checks and training. Parents/Carers may accompany children for a settling-in period but we expect them to apply to be Leaders and undergo the necessary checks if they wish to do this for an extended period. Having new leaders helps us to get to know the children better and introduce new ideas to our sessions as well as to work with smaller groups.

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



Giving to St Aidan's Church

Your ongoing financial support is crucial to the upkeep of St Aidan's Church. Our recent calculations showed that £17 per person per week is the amount we need for the upkeep of the Church and the payment of our "share" to the Diocese, part of which ensures that we have a Vicar and contributes to the pensions of retired clergy. This amount is certainly not possible for all church members but we do need to be aware of the difficult financial situation of the church when considering our giving and supporting fundraising efforts.

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) – see contacts.

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](#)

Recycling

Please do not include any other items (foil etc) with the blisterpacks as only the tablet packaging will be accepted. *Ina*

Church Diary



7th May Prayer Meeting in the Chapel 11am
18th May Deanery Synod at St Aidan's
22nd May Sunday Lunch
15th June Archdeacon's Visitation at St Aidan's (Churchwardens, Sidespersons and PCC Members to attend)
9th July Queen's Jubilee Afternoon Tea details to follow next month

Contact Us

Please contact the Vicar, Churchwardens or a PCC Member if we can help you in any way.

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Please send items to newsletter@staidan.org.uk and contact us if you would like to be added to or removed from 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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