



St Aidan's Church

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

Newsletter March 2023

Weekly Services

Sunday 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church **Wednesday 9.30am** Holy Communion

Refreshments are served after the services

**Weddings, Baptisms and Funerals by arrangement
with the Vicar**

INVITATION

From

The Wardens of St. Aidan's, Sudden, Rochdale
The Wardens of St. Martin's, Castleton, Rochdale
and
The Wardens of St. George's, Oakenrod, Rochdale

To the Licensing of

The Revd Sydwell Isaac

as

Incumbent of St. Martin, Castleton Moor

Incumbent of St Aidan with All Souls, Heywood (in plurality)

Assistant Curate of St. Clement, Spotland and St. George, Oakenrod
(with special responsibility for St. George, Oakenrod)

at

**St. Aidan's Church
Manchester Road, Sudden, Rochdale OL11 3EL**

on

Tuesday 14th March 2023

at

7.00pm

All are welcome!



**St Aidan's Church
Spring Fair**
Saturday 18th March 2023
11am—1pm
St Aidan's Church Hall
Manchester Road Sudden Rochdale OL11 3EL
Refreshments Home Bake £1 Jars Books
Tombola Toys & Games Bottles Raffle
Good as New Pick a Teddy
Children's Activities. . .
....and lots of chocolate!
In aid of Church Funds
Admission 50p (children free)



PLEASE COME AND JOIN US AT
ST AIDAN'S CHURCH SUDDEN
ON SATURDAY APRIL 15th
2pm-4pm
FOR
AFTERNOON TEA
WITH PROSECCO or NOSECCO
ENJOY DELLA
SINGING SONGS
FROM THE SHOWS
£15
ADMISSION BY TICKET ONLY
Tel MALCOLM 07980 606175



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

DUST + GLORY

A Lent journey of faith,
failure and forgiveness

Dust and Glory is the Church of England's Lent campaign for 2023. Offering 40 daily reflections for Lent on faith, failure and forgiveness, it invites you to find God in the mess of everyday life.

Download an app from your app store, buy the books or ask a smart speaker to "Open Church of England" then "Open Dust and Glory" More details at [Dust and Glory - Resources for Lent 2023 | The Church of England](#)

Electoral Roll

If you are a **new** member of St. Aidan's please complete an application form by March 5th. The forms are at the back of Church on the table in the Tower.

Annual Meetings

The Annual Meeting to elect the Churchwardens and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting for the presentation of reports and the appointment of PCC Members, Deanery Synod Representatives and Sidespersons will be held after the service on Palm Sunday, 2nd April. Nomination forms and the reports will be available for 2 weeks prior to the meetings. Any questions should be notified to the Vice Chair (Malcolm Bywater) or Secretary (Ann Montgomery) 14 days before the meetings so that a reply can be prepared.

News from the Diocese

The Archbishop of York is to visit Manchester Diocese from Wednesday 1st to Friday 3rd March. Archbishop Stephen, accompanied by Bishop David, will spend the first day in Rochdale, visiting Rochdale foodbank, stopping at Nelson Street Church, meeting students at Rochdale Sixth Form College before ending the day at AFC Rochdale. During his visit Archbishop Stephen will officially open the new Diocesan Offices at St John's House. The Archbishop has recorded a message ahead of the visit on the [Diocesan website](#).

How you can help with the **Spring Fair**

Fill a jar with wrapped sweets or a small gift

Buy chocolates and Easter Eggs for the ever-popular Chocolate Tombola stall

Collect good-as-new gifts, books, bottles, toys and games and bring to the Hall 4.30 - 6pm on Friday 17th March

Bring Home Bake on the day of the Fair

Volunteer to help on a stall or with refreshments – please sign up in the Hall

Put up posters and deliver flyers to neighbouring streets

Help to set up stalls on Friday 17th March from 4.30pm

Come along with your family and friends on 18th March

*For further information, please speak to Tracey or any member of the
PCC*



Intercessory Prayers during the morning service

Please speak to a Churchwarden or Sidesperson when you arrive on a Sunday morning if you would like a name to be included in the prayers for the week.

You can also make use of the Prayer Tree in the Chapel for those you know who are long-term sick and all are welcome to use the Chapel for private prayers and to light a candle.

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

**The flowers on 19th March are in loving memory of David Benjamin.
Always in the hearts of his wife Margaret and family.**

Dedications to a Loved One can be placed in a hymn book or the Parish Book of Remembrance. Please contact Elaine Fowler for more details.



World Day of Prayer
(A WOMEN LED, GLOBAL,
ECUMENICAL MOVEMENT)

"I have heard about your faith"

Friday 3rd March 2pm at Mills Hill Baptist Church, Mills Hill Road,
Middleton, M24 2FD

More information at <https://wwdp.org.uk>



St Aidan's Dustbusters!

There will be a special extra cleaning session on 11th March to clean the church in preparation for the Licensing Service. Please come along to help any time between 10 and 11am.

Children and Families at St Aidan's Church



The Children's Groups (3-14 yrs) usually meet on Sunday mornings during school term-time. The children go out to the Hall with the Children's Leaders during the second (Gradual) hymn and return for Communion. For further information, please speak to a Children's Leader or email safeguarding@staidan.org.uk



Giving to St Aidan's Church

Thank you for your continued financial support to church through the pledged giving envelope scheme, weekly or monthly standing orders, gift aid donations or cash donations. The upkeep and running of the church really is dependent on your continued support. You can now donate to church using your bank card on a portable card reader at all services. This is located on the table at the back of church

Church Diary



- 14th March** Licensing of Revd Sydwell Isaac 7pm
- 18th March** Spring Fair 11am – 1pm
- 19th March** Welcome Services for Revd Isaac at St Martin's & St George's
- 2nd April** Palm Sunday. Annual Meetings after the Morning Service 11.30am
- 7th April** Good Friday Service of readings and music 10am
- 15th April** Afternoon Tea with Songs from the Shows 2-4pm
- 10th June** Colours Fashion Show 2-4pm



Readings & Anthems for the month are available on request – please ask a Sidesperson or email newsletter @staidan.org.uk



Contact Us

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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 mailing list. Past newsletters are available on the church [website](#) and [A Church Near You](#). You can sign up for enews from Manchester Diocese [here](#).



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