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#### Events Diary March 8.00pm Lent Course Wed 13th 17th 12.30pm Sunday Lunch Sun Wed 20th 8.00pm Lent Course Sun 24th 11.30am **Annual Meetings** Service of Music and Sun 24th 6.30pm Readings for Palm Sunday Good 29th 10.00am Joint Service with Brimrod Friday led by Rev Diane Hicks 2.30pm Good 29th Come and Sing Event: Excerpts from The Friday 6.30pm Messiah Performance April 20th 11.00am | Spring Fair Sat

# **Regular Events**

Open Church – 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays 10am-4pm St Aidan's Art Group – Mondays 12.45pm Choir Practice – Thursdays 7pm/7.45pm FairTrade Stall – last Sunday of the month St. Aidan's Men's Group – 1st Weds of the month St. Aidan's Ladies Guild – monthly meetings St Aidan's Flower Group – Fridays 7.30pm Knitwits – Fridays 2pm Councillor's Surgery – 1st Saturday 10.15am Coffee Morning at All Souls – 2nd Sat. 10.30am Messy Church at All Souls – last Sat. 10-11.30am St Aidan's Walking Group – 1st Sat of the month

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10th March 2013 Mothering Sunday

Gospel Reading

Luke 15; 1 - 3; 11b - end



### **Anthems**

Song of Mary

Duffy

Ave Maria

Bruckner



10am - Family

# Wednesdays:

9.30am - Holy Communion

Weddings and Baptisms by appointment



# St. Aídans Church Sudden, Rochdale



# St Aidan's Lent Course

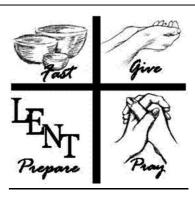
Glimpses of God – The York Course 2013

# **Epiphany Chapel 8pm**

March 13<sup>th</sup> – The God who shares our pain March 20<sup>th</sup> – The God who calms our fears

# Heywood Lent Lunches 12.30pm

March 13<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Methodist March 20<sup>th</sup> at All Souls'



# Welcome to St Aidan's Church

We are a friendly caring church.

If we can help you in any way, please speak to the Vicar,
Sidespersons or any of the Church Officers.

**JUNIOR CHURCH:** our Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Morning Service: Kindergarten (3-6);

Adventurers & Explorers (7 –14)

## INTERCESSIONS

Please add names for the Intercessions in the book at the back of Church.

# Baptisms - Sun 17<sup>th</sup> March at 11 45 am

Jessica C Stockton

Ethan J Smith

Every one welcome to attend the service

### GIFT AID LEGISLATION

If you are a taxpayer and don't at present make use of the weekly envelope scheme, kindly use the Gift Aid Envelopes you will find near your seat. We will then be able to claim 25p for every £1 you give. Please remember to fill in your name and address.



DUTIES NEXT WEEK: March 17th Lent 5 – Passion Sunday	
Sidespersons	J & J Molloy, H Hilton, V Kennedy
Coffee rota	J Davies, P Stock, J Stopforth
Hall preparation	B Hassall, A Clarke
Junior Church	Joanne , Julie C & Rebekah
Open Church	Wed Mar 6 <sup>th</sup> am V Matterson, KLloyd
Church Cleaning	Wed Mar 6 <sup>th</sup> pm E &R Ogden, E Fowler

Please email notices to **newsletter@staidan.org.uk** by noon on Weds and if you wish this notice sheet to be emailed to you every week, please contact **newsletter@staidan.org.uk** 

Please send items for the website to webmaster@staidan.org.uk

# AT AIDAN'S PARISH ANNUAL MEETINGS 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH at 11 30am

- ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS To elect the Churchwardens. Nomination forms and rules are available at the back of Church
- 2. ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING for the election of PCC Members and Sidespersons; the consideration of reports by the Vicar, Church wardens,, Treasurer, Independent Examiner and other Church Officers and reports from Church Groups. Nomination List, rules and copies of the reports are available at the back of Church Items to be considered should be notified to the Secretary by Sun 17<sup>th</sup> March

#### THE SAMARITANS

As friends at St Aidan's have so kindly supported The Samaritans,

On behalf of the committee I would like to invite you to attend the AGM of Rochdale, Oldham & District Samaritans on Thurs 21st March at All Saints C/E School Maud St OL12 0EL at 7.30pm. The guest speaker will be HM Coroner Simon Nelson .Alan ( from the choir )

#### **SPRING FAIR**

This yr it is on Sat 20<sup>th</sup> April 11am – 2 pm, Please start to gather things together for it: tombola, bottles, chocolates, white elephant books, home bake etc. Thanks Tracey

# CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12<sup>TH</sup> – 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Christian Aid Campaign 2013 - Enough Food For Everyone

1 in 8 people go to bed with the pain of hunger. It's a scandal! Please take action NOW! Ahead of the UK Budget on Wednesday 20 March, Christian Aid need you to e-mail or write to your MP, pressing them to raise the issues of Aid and Tax with the Chancellor\_of the Exchequer.

Please see the board at the back of church for further details or speak to Judith Roberts. We can be the generation to end global hunger IF we make our politicians act!

#### FOODBANK NEWS

A meeting of volunteers marking the first six months of operation in Rochdale learned that over 750 vouchers had been received during that period resulting in 10.5 tonnes of emergency food being issued to help 1350 people including 400 children. The meeting was also briefed on the changes to benefit payments due in April and the likely increased demand for Foodbank's help that these changes would bring. Your help with regular donations is therefore increasingly needed; please see the 'shopping list' by the container at the back of Church for details of what is needed or speak to John or Sheila Tolley.

# **MESSY CHURCH**

The next Messy Church is on Easter Saturday 10 - 11-30 am at All Souls' celebrating Easter with crafts

This is aimed at all the family and everyone is welcome

It will finish by 11.30 with refreshments

Its Church but not as you know it!!!!!!!