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Events Diary

December

Sun	22 nd	6.30pm	St Aidan's Carol Service
Tues	24 th	2pm	Crib & Christingle Service at All Souls'
Tues	24 th	11.30pm	Christmas Eucharist
Wed	25 th	10.00am	Family Communion

January

Tues	14 th	7.30pm	PCC Meeting
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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



St Aidan's C of E Parish Church
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22nd Dec

Advent 4

24th Dec

Christmas Eve

25th Dec

Christmas Day

29th Dec

Christmas 1

5th Jan

Epiphany

Weekly Services Sundays

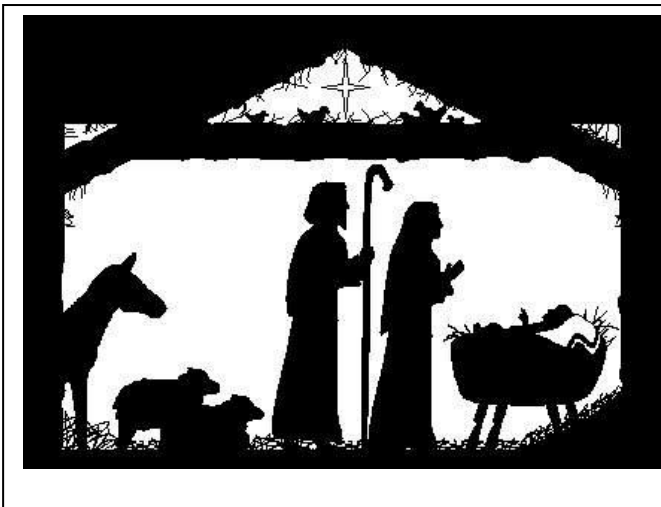
10am Family Communion

Wednesdays

9.30am Holy Communion

Weddings and Baptisms by appointment

St. Aidan's Church Sudden, Rochdale



A message from Reverend Michael

Each year we say that Christmas gets busier and busier. We rush around from place to place and shop to shop trying to get everything we can that we seem to end up with Christmas being over before we feel it has begun. If we are the person who does all the cooking and preparation. Then we end not enjoying it because we have been caught up with the busyness of organizing Christmas for everyone else. If Christmas is all about preparing for the rush to come, then Advent is our time for the preparation of the arrival of the Christ – child. In this preparation, we are told and reminded that we need to slow down, and to look for the light in the midst of the darkness.

My hope and prayer for you this Christmas, is that in the midst of all the busyness of Christmas, you all slow down for a moment, each catch your breath to prepare and receive Christ anew. Let us remind ourselves that if Christmas seems to be over before it has started, Christ's Birth is only the beginning.

Sharon, Ian Lucy and I would like to wish you all a lovely Christmas and a Peaceful New Year



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.

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



Refreshments are served in the Hall after the Service.

INTERCESSIONS

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

JUNIOR CHURCH

Our Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Morning Service: Kindergarten (3-6); Adventurers & Explorers (7-14)

DUTIES	29 th Dec	5 th Jan
Sidespersons	B Whitehead, V Hardy, E Fowler, J Roberts	I Penneyston Young Stewards
Coffee rota	M Swarbrick, B Wareham, C Low	J Roberts, J Elcock, P Martin
Hall Preparation	J Molloy, W Hutton	B Hassall, A Clarke, A
Junior Church	J Elcock A Montgomery	As rota
Open Church	See rota	See rota
Church Cleaning	B & S Metcalfe, B Newton	
Church Counting	Malcolm & Roger	Debra & Rachel

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

	Gospel Reading	Anthems
Sun 22nd	Matt 1, 18-end	<i>Hail Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>Ave Maria Stella</i> Grieg
Sun 29th	Matt 2, 13-end	<i>Lully Lulla Lullay</i>
Sun 5th	John 1 1-9; 10-18	<i>The Son of The Virgin</i> <i>Break Forth O Beauteous</i> <i>Heavenly Light</i> - Bach

The members of St Aidan's Parochial Church Council wish you all

a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year

Please remember to talk to any of us if you have any questions or matters to raise; any ideas or would like to offer your help in any way with the work of your church.

The PCC for 2013/14 is:

Revd Michael Read; Revd Taylor; Malcolm Bywater; Debra Buckley; Julie Cheshire; Joanne Elcock; Elaine Fowler; Andrew Huxley; Rachel Jaques; Keith Lloyd; Elizabeth Milne; Roger Milne; Ann Montgomery; Ronnie Ogden; Ina Penneyston; Christine Richardson; Tracey Street; John Tolley; Gordon Wallace.

ROCHDALE FOODBANK

Folk At The Lake Sun 29th Dec at Hollingworth Lake Visitor Centre 12 noon – 3 pm. Please see poster at the back of Church

CHRISTIAN AID

A further amount of £25 has been donated to the Philippines Emergency Fund. The Total raised is now £131 (£144 with gift aid) Many Thanks to all you have donated

LILY BASNETT

We are sorry to announce that sadly Lily passed away peacefully at 7 pm on Tues 10th Dec . Her funeral will be on Mon 23rd Dec at St Aidan's at 9 am Malcolm , Angela and family wish to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and prayers at this sad time

WALKING GROUP

Blow away your 2013 cobwebs and join us on Sat 4th Jan for our first 2014 walk. From woodlands about medieval Towneley Hall the walk climbs gently to moorland edge paths to the unique " Singing Ringing Tree" where there great views. The Walk returns via pastures, dells and woods to the landscaped Towneley Hall estate. A 5 mile walk, Meet 8.45am in the Church Car Park as usual, Further Details contact Lynne and Bill 522559