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<b>Events Diary</b>				
May				
Thurs	1st	7.00pm	Deanery Synod Open	
			Meeting with Bishop David	
			at St Aidan's	
Sat	10th	7.30pm	Quiz Night	
Sat	17th	7.00pm	Celebratory Service at The	
		_	Cathedral for 20 <sup>th</sup>	
			Anniversary of Ordination of	
			Women to Priesthood	
Sun	18 <sup>th</sup>	12.30	Sunday Lunch	

### **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** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. 10.30am

Messy Church at All Souls – last Sat. 10-11.30am

St Aidan's Walking Group - 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of the month





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Easter Sunday

20<sup>th</sup> April 2014

**Gospel Reading** 

Matt 28; 1 - 10

### **Anthems**

This Joyful Eastertide Farrant

Regina Caeli *Aichinger* 

# Weekly Services Sundays

10am Family Communion

# Wednesdays

9.30am Holy Communion *Weddings and* 

Baptisms by appointment

# St. Aídans Church Sudden, Rochdale



# EASTER MESSAGE FROM REVEREND MICHAEL

Water is an ordinary thing of life; we can't live without it and we can't live in it as the recent floods have shown. But we only live because of the water we drink. Water helps us to live every part of our lives from a shower in the morning, to washing our clothes, our dishes, our cars and our teeth. Every moment of our life involves water.

The message of Easter is about life; new life, a fulfilled life, a complete life. Jesus says that he brings the water of life to us now. Why have only half a life when you can have it with God in its fullness?

A millionaire once said, I have everything I'll ever need. I can buy whatever I need, I can fill my life with everything, but I don't fill it with God. Why not?

I wonder how anybody can cope without the shoulder of God to cry on when times are bad or the hand of God to give thanks to when you are pulled out of trouble.

God's gift of the water of life is free; you don't need to pay. Why look a gift horse in the mouth?

# 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)

**Volunteers** are needed for **OPEN CHURCH** sessions on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month, am 10–1 and pm 1–4. Please help if you can or call in as a visitor. Please sign the rota at the back of Church.

DUTIES	27 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 2
Sidespersons	A & J Clarke, L Hutton,J Hornby
Coffee rota	E Ogden, I Penneyston, E Marshall
Hall Preparation	A Clarke, A Johnston
Junior Church	Deborah & Debra; Ros & Rachel
Open Church	30 <sup>th</sup> See Rota
Church Cleaning	
Church Counting	Julie & Keith

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** 



### IN MEMORIAM

The Flowers at The Cross have been donated by Ronnie and Elaine Ogden in Loving Memory of Roy Lavender, Elaine's Brother who is greatly missed.

### IN MEMORIAM

The Easter Arrangement on the High Altar has been presented by Tracey Street, Elaine Fowler and their families In Loving Memory of their Mums, Marian Mottram & Ethel Platt



### FOODBANK - MARCH NEWS

Apologies from Foodbank there was an error in the March newsletter about the relocation

The correct Telephone No is 01706 713701

### **DEANERY SYNOD**

The Bishop of Manchester is spending the whole day on  $1^{\rm st}$  May visiting various places and meeting with people and businesses within the Deanery. He will end the day with an open Deanery meeting at St Aidan's at 7pm

Each Church is asked to draft up to 3 questions they would like to ask the Bishop . These should be sent to Canon P Miller by Thurs  $24^{th}$  April

Volunteers required to serve refreshments

### LETTER FROM BISHOP DAVID

Bishop David invites everyone to a Service in the Cathedral 17th May 2014 at 7.00pm to mark the 20th Anniversary of the first Ordination of women to the Priesthood in The Church of England

There is a copy of the letter at the back of Church.

### THE WALKING GROUP

Join us on Sat  $3^{rd}$  May for a delightful 5 mile walk . Starting at Pendle Heritage Centre in Barrowford. The walk takes us along riversides and fields and through the pretty village of Blacko. Meet as usual at the Church car park at 8.45am For further details contact Bill & Lynne 01706 522559

# REQUEST FOR DONATION

Mike and Rachel Jaques are running in the BUPA Manchester 10k (  $10^{th}$  May ) in aid of Christie Hospital in Manchester following the support and care their friend David Parkes received during his treatment for Germ Cell Cancer. Please visit <a href="http://www.justgiving..com/RachelMikeJaques">http://www.justgiving..com/RachelMikeJaques</a>

where you can read the story and their reasons for running. Please donate

### CHRISTIAN AID SOUPER SOUP LUNCH

A big thank you to everyone who helped with and attended this event. A total of £64.29 ( incl gift aid ) was raised. The unsused soups, bread and cakes were taken to Leopold Court, Bury Rd, a hostel for single homeless people