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Events Diary						
February						
Tues	24 th	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting			
March						
Tues	3 rd	1.30pm & 7.30pm	Pilgrim Course			
Wed	4 th	10.15 – 11 30 am	Coffee Morning			
Wed	4 th	10.00 – 4.00pm	Open Church			
Sat	7 th	7.15pm	Rochdale Retirement Choir Concert – In The Church Hall			
Tues	17th	1.30pm & 7.30pm	Pilgrim Course			
Wed	18th	10.00 - 4.00pm	Open Church			
Wed	18th	10.15 - 11.30am	Coffee Morning			
Sun	22nd	10.00am	Centenary Eucharist with Bishop David			

Regular Events

Open Church – 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays 10am-4pm. St Aidan's Art Group – Mondays 12.45pm Choir Practice – Thursdays 7pm / 7.45pm

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 3pm

Councillor's Surgery – 1st Saturday 10.15am

Coffee Morning at All Souls – 2nd Saturday 10.30am

St Aidan's Walking Group - usually 1st Sat of the month









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Sunday 22nd February 2015

First Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reading

Mark 1; 9 - 15

Anthems

Hide Not Thou Thy Face

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Weekly Services

Sundays:

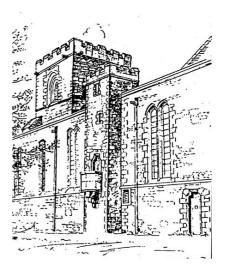
10am - Family Communion

Wednesdays:

9.30am - Holy Communion

Weddings and Baptisms by appointment

St. Aídan's Church Sudden, Rochdale



ELECTORAL ROLL 2015

If you are a new member of St Aidan's could you please complete an application form. The forms are at the back of Church, Forms must be completed between 15th Feb and 1st March

CRITERIA to be on the electoral roll, be baptized, be 16 or over or reach your 16th birthday in the next 12 mths and have habitually attended worship in the Parish during the last 6 mths

For further info speak to the Churchwardens or Elaine Fowler (Electoral Roll Secretary)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Each Sunday we pray for people we know who are sick. Their names should be put in the book at the back of Church and renewed at the beginning of each month while our prayers are still needed. Please also feel free to ask for thanksgiving when they recover

LENT LUNCHES

Heywood Churches Together's first Lent Lunch is at All Souls on Wed 25th Feb at 12 .30 The Speaker will be Marcia Wall from All Saints Rhodes & and Parkfield, the Borough Dean for Rochdale Please see poster for dates of further Lent Lunches

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.

FLOWERS: Please fill in The Flower Rota if you wish to donate Flowers on a specific date. All donations to the Flower Fund are always welcome.

INTERCESSIONS

Please write 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).

WEEKLY GIVING

If you currently use the **weekly envelopes** then you can collect next year's from the back of church. Many of you have kindly switched to standing order so if you no longer require the weekly envelopes please just leave them at the back of church and let Joanne Elcock know.

As we are promoting giving by **standing order** slips are now available at the back of church (or see a Sidesperson). Please use one If you give by this method but would still like to place something on the offertory plate. The wording on the slips is the same as that on the weekly envelopes.

DUTIES 1st March 2nd Sun of Lent						
Sidespersons	Young Stewards IP AM	Hall Preparation	AC AJ			
Coffee	IP EO EM	Counting	DB RJ			
Church Cleaning	R &EO EF AM	Open Church	4th Mar As Rota			

Please email notices to **newsletter@staidan.org.uk** by Weds. If you wish this notice sheet to be emailed to you every week, please contact <u>newsletter@staidan.org.uk</u>
Please send items for the website to **webmaster@staidan.org.uk**

FOODBANK

We started the yr "stocktaking" with very generous donations which we received both in the run up to Christmas and afterwards for which we are hugely grateful, However for the moment we have more than adequate stocks of cereals, baked beans and soup so your donations of other items from the shopping list to be found on the website rochdale. foodbank.org.uk would be very welcome Demand for our service seems to show no sign of decreasing; we honoured 300 vouchers in January but this necessitated providing 4.00 Tonnes of food; so your continued prayer and practical support is vital Thank you once again

CLOTHES PARTY

Fri 27th March 7pm St Aidan's Church Hall

The Thread Shed is a fashion focused online clothing boutique & we're holding a charity event where you will have a chance to view & buy from their range of clothes. There is something for everyone and their prices are very reasonable so why not invite your friends & come along to take a look. Entrance will be £2 includes tea/coffee & nibbles. Wine will also be available for those who fancy a glass at the end of the week!!See www.thethreadshed-manchester.co.uk or find them on facebook. The Thread Shed

UKELELE GROUP

Practice will commence next Sun $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ March. Get your coffee after Sun Morning Service then meet in Church . See you There

FACEBOOK

We now have a Facebook page, Please visit it (St Aidan's Rochdale) and like it

SONGS OF PRAISE

Manchester Cathedral is hosting two special programmes this Easter. The first is a live broadcast on BBC 1 of Eucharist for Easter Sunday 5th April. The second is a recording for the ever popular programme Songs of Praise on Easter Monday 6th April

Tickets are free and you can apply as an individual or on behalf of a group. Please emailsongsofpraise@bbc.co.uk, call 0161 335 8429 or write to 'Songs of Praise' Tickets (Manchester), 1st Floor, Dock House, Media City UK, Salford M50 2LH. The deadline for ticket applications is Monday 16 March 2015, and tickets will be sent out after this date.

Further details from diocesan web site, there is s link to it from St Aidan'a web site.

THE ROCHDALE RETIREMENT CONCERT

Sat March 7th at 7.15pm in The Church Hall Tickets from Keith (648955) £6 includes wine and nibbles or tea/coffee with biscuits raffle. Finish by 9.30pm

CHRISTIAN AID

This Lent please help Christian Aid by counting the blessings in your life. Pick up a 40 day calendar from the table at the back of Church. A special children's version is also available. Alternatively download a free app for smart phone or tablet from Apple App Store Monies raised can be given to Judith Roberts to forward to Christian Aid