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## Forthcoming Events

### January 2016

Tues	5th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm
Mon	11 <sup>th</sup>	PCC Meeting at 7.30pm
Tues	19th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm
Sat	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Beetle Drive / Post-Banquet Party
Sun	31 <sup>st</sup>	Candlemas 6.30pm St Aidan's

### February 2016

Tues	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 16th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm
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### March 2016

Tues	1 <sup>st</sup> & 15th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	Thornton's Chocolate Party

### April 2016

Sat	16 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Fair
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## Regular Events

**Open Church** – Every Wednesday 10am- 1pm (not Jan)

**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 2pm

**Councillor's Surgery** – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 10.15am

**Coffee Morning at All Souls** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 10.30am

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



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# St. Aidan's Church Sudden, Rochdale



## Epiphany 1 Baptism of Christ

10th January 2016

### Gospel reading

Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

### Anthem

*Spirit Of The Living God*

Iverson

*O Holy Spirit*

Tye

## Weekly Services

### Sundays:

10am - Family  
Communion

### Wednesdays:

9.30am - Holy  
Communion

**Weddings and  
Baptisms  
by appointment**



**Open Church  
Wednesdays will  
resume in February**



The two Pilgrim groups commenced the new set of sessions on The Creeds last Tuesday. The course offers an opportunity for discussion without any pressure to know all the answers but plenty of opportunities to contemplate and explore our faith. Please remember that you can join at any time and if you would like to know more about Pilgrim please talk to Rev. Michael, Rev. Ian B. or Sheila Tolley. See events diary for the next sessions.

## 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.**

### Intercession Prayers

Please write names for the Intercessions on the list at the back of Church. Names should be renewed at the beginning of each month whilst our prayers are still needed for those who are sick. Prayers of thanksgiving for recovery can also be requested. There are Prayer Cards at the back of Church to be given out to friends and relatives to let them know that the St Aidan's Church family is praying for them.

### Church Flowers

Please fill in the Flower List and speak to Elizabeth Milne if you wish to donate (or arrange) flowers on a specific date. Donations to the Flower Fund are always welcome. Please inform Elizabeth or email [newsletter@staidan.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk) if you wish to place a message in the Notices.

### Fundraising & Events

Please contact a member of the Events Co-ordination Group (D Thorneycroft, Sheila Tolley, Deborah Whitham, Joanne Elcock, Julie Huxley, Barbara Whitehead) if you would like to suggest or organise an event. We can help! Email [joanne@staidan.org.uk](mailto:joanne@staidan.org.uk)

### Junior Church

The Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Sunday Morning Service: Kindergarten (3-6)  
Adventurers (7-14)



**Refreshments are served in the Hall after the service.**  
**All welcome.**

### Duties 17th Jan 2016 Epiphany 2

<b>Sidespersons</b>	<b>J&amp;JM HH VK</b>	<b>Hall Preparation</b>	<b>IB-L AH</b>
<b>Coffee</b>	<b>VH MJ CR</b>	<b>Counting</b>	<b>EF</b>
<b>Church Cleaning</b>		<b>Open Church</b>	

Please email [newsletter@staidan.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk) with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website.

## BEETLE DRIVE

**Saturday 23rd January in the Church Hall**

7pm for 7.15pm start.

Fun for ALL the family. Not too late a finish.

Tickets (including lasagne) are £5 for adults and children are free. Please bring your own drinks. Tickets from Julie Huxley or Ken Davies.



### More dates for your diaries:

Saturday 4th March - **Thorntons Chocolate Party** - £5 per person  
- family friendly - tickets will be limited.

Saturday 16 April - **Spring Fair**

May 7th - **Nightingales Concert**      June 10th - **Jewellery Party**

### Annual Reports

Reports from all church groups and activities need to be sent to the PCC by the end of January so that they can be included in the reports for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) on March 20th . Please email a short report on activities during 2015 to [ann@staidan.org.uk](mailto:ann@staidan.org.uk) or hand to Ann Montgomery or Elaine Fowler. If possible, perhaps you could also send us a photograph of your group?

*St Aidan's PCC*

Well done to Glen and Matthew and the PossAbilities group for their performances at Middleton Arena. You certainly made the audience smile (and dance) on cold and rainy January evenings!



### NEWS from ROCHDALE FOODBANK

Sadly both our Client reception area and our food storage facilities have been badly damaged in and a large quantity of our stock of food destroyed by the flooding. We shall be operating for the time being from the Town Hall on a very reduced scale.

Although Rochdale Foodbank are regrettably not able to accept donations at present we will collect donations in church and let you know what is needed in particular to replace the stock that has been destroyed.

*John & Sheila Tolley*