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Forthcoming Events				
January 2016				
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		
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	Confirmation Service at St Martin's		
Wed	10th	Evensong &Institution Service for Rev Read at 7.30pm		
Thurs	11th	Parson's Pints 8.30pm		
Tues	23rd	PCC Meeting 7.30pm		
March 2016				
Tues	1 <sup>st</sup> & 15th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm		
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	Thornton's Chocolate Party		
Thurs	17th	Parson's Pints 8.30pm		
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Meetings 11.45am		
April 2016				
Sat	16th	Spring Fair		

### 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 – 1st Saturday 10.15am Walking Group - 1st Sat of Mth











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# St. Aidan's Church Sudden, Rochdale

# **Epiphany 3**

# 24th January 2016

# **Gospel reading**

Luke 4:14 - 21

### **Anthem**

Teach Me O Lord Attwood O Sing Joyfully Batten

# **Weekly Services**

# Sundays:

10am - Family Communion

# Wednesdays:

9.30am - Holy Communion

Weddings and **Baptisms** by appointment



**Open Church** Wednesdays will resume in February

# News from the PCC

Mission Action Planning at St Aidan's Church



Our vision for the future of St Aidan's Church:

To GROW St Aidan's Church by encouraging a sense of belonging, by nurturing and by developing spirituality.

Would you like to be more involved?

Please see the display on the main church notice board

### 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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk">newsletter@staidan.org.uk</a> 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

### **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 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2016 Epiphany 4 Presentation of Christ in the Temple				
Sidespersons	BW;VH;EF	Hall Preparation	JM;WH	
Coffee	JR;JE;PM	Counting	DB;RJ	
Church Cleaning		Open Church		

Please email <a href="mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk">newsletter@staidan.org.uk</a> with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website.

### DEANERY DATES

Deanery Synod

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 7pm at Burnside Centre, Langley

Topic – The Burnside Centre and its work

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 7pm at St Martin's Castleton

Topic - Prevent Strategy by Yasin Khan

### **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 <a href="mailto:ann@staidan.org.uk">ann@staidan.org.uk</a> or hand to Ann Montgomery or Elaine Fowler. If possible, perhaps you could also send us a photograph of your group?

### **CONFIRMATION SERVICE**

The Confirmation Service this year is being held at St Martin's Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Feb at 6.30pm Please go along and support our members and keep them in your prayers Kelli;Dawn;Kirk; and Holly

### **HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY**

There will be an act of Commemoration and Re – Dedication of the Holocaust Memorial Stone

Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2016 at Littleborough Coach House at 6.15 pm

### WALKING GROUP

The next walk Sat  $13^{th}$  Feb(please note  $2^{nd}$  Sat in Feb). Join us for a 5 and halk mile wander around Pennington Flashg and Lightshaw Meadow. Although just off east Lancs Rd this is one ofbest areas in Lancs for bird watching so bring your binoculars

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> March we will be going to Ball Grove and Wycoller country parks. This 5 &half mile walk takes in some lovely scenery including Ferndean Way and Colne Water Meet as usual in Church car park at 8.45am Further details Lynne & Bill 522559



Next Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan is Candlemas there will be a service of Candlemas at St Aidan's at 6.30pm. All are welcome

### PILGRIM COURSE

You are all welcome to come along and join one of The Pilgrim groups at any time during the course, for more information please talk to Rev. Michael, Rev. Ian B. or Sheila Tolley.

See events diary for the next sessions.