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Forthcoming Events

February 2016

Tues	16th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm
Sun	7th	Confirmation Service at St Martin's
Wed	10th	Holy Communion Service for Rev Read 7.30pm
Thurs	11th	Parson's Pints 8.30pm
Tues	23rd	PCC Meeting 7.30pm

March 2016

Tues	1st & 15th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm
Weds	2nd	Men's Group
Fri	4th	Thornton's Chocolate Party
Thurs	17th	Parson's Pints 8.30pm
Sun	20th	Annual Meetings 11.45am

April 2016

Sat	16th	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 – 1st Saturday 10.15am

Walking Group – 1st Sat of Mth



St Aidan's C of E Parish Church
Manchester Road Rochdale OL11 3EL
Vehicular Access OL11 3NH
www.staidan.org.uk



St. Aidan's Church Sudden, Rochdale

Confirmation service at St Martin 's, Castleton - TONIGHT at 6.30pm - Please go along if you can to support our Confirmands and keep Kelli, Dawn, Kirk and Holly in your prayers.

Holy Communion Service on Ash Wednesday 10th February at 7.30pm with Bishop Mark for Rev Michael's Induction Service.

St Aidan's Church Electoral Roll 2016

This year the Electoral Roll of the church is to be **UPDATED** in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 20th March after the Service.

If you are a new member of St. Aidan's please complete an application form. The forms will be on the table in the tower from **TODAY, 7th** February and forms must be completed by 21st February.

Criteria:

- be baptized
- be 16 or over or reach your 16th birthday in the next 12 months
- have habitually attended worship in the Parish during the last 6 months.

For further information, please speak to Elaine Fowler (Electoral Roll Secretary) or a Churchwarden.

Pilgrim Course: Everyone is 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.

7th February 2016

Transfiguration Sunday

Gospel reading

Luke 9:28-36 (37-43a)

Anthems

O Nata Lux Tallis

Weekly Services

Sundays:

10am

Family Communion

Wednesdays:

9.30am

Holy Communion



Open Church & Coffee Morning
Every Wednesday
10am – 1pm

Young Stewards – as it's the first Sunday of the month, you will see the children taking a fuller part in the service today. Please acknowledge their work afterwards if you think they've done a good job. We think they do!

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 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. 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)

Young Stewards help in church on the 1st Sunday in the month.



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

Duties 14th Feb 2016 – please see rota on the Church Notice Board

Sidespersons		Hall Preparation	
Coffee		Counting	
Church Cleaning		Open Church	

Please email newsletter@staidan.org.uk with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website.

Thank You! To everyone involved in organising the Beetle Drive on 23rd January, especially to Ken and Joan Davies who ran the event. It was a fun event enjoyed by around 60 people!

Christian Aid Evening - A talk by Anna Sinclair on 'Climate Change – Marsheda's Story' on *Thursday 11th February at 7.30pm* at Smithy Bridge Methodist Church. There will be stalls, activities and refreshments. All welcome.

Keep Fit at our Open Church and Coffee Mornings: We're looking into the feasibility of running, in association with Link4Life, a Wednesday morning fitness class, e.g. Zumba Gold, in the hall. The idea is that it will complement the Open Church Coffee Mornings by bringing new people in; in return we would help Link4Life promote the session in our Parish Newsletter and by word of mouth. Please let Joanne Elcock know if you or anyone you know would be interested in attending the class. It will be a beginner class suitable for everyone. There's a brochure at the back of church detailing similar sessions which cost around £2. **A reminder also** that help is needed to cover the current open church and coffee mornings between 10 and 1pm **EVERY** Wednesday. If you can help please sign up at the back of church or see Keith Lloyd.

Yummy, yummy!! We are hosting a **Thornton's Chocolate Party** on Friday 4th March at 7pm. Lots of chocolate and fun & games for all the family. Tea, coffee and juice will be available. There'll be a raffle and gifts to buy for Mothering Sunday and Easter. All tickets are £5 and available from Joanne or Julie.

Walkies for the Walkers!! Next Saturday 13th Feb. Thankfully it wasn't yesterday in all that rain!
A 5½ mile wander around Pennington Flashing and Lightshaw Meadow. Although just off East Lancs Rd this is one of best areas in Lancs for bird watching so bring your binoculars. Meet as usual in Church car park at 8.45am. Further details from Lynne & Bill tel: 522559

Jingle Jingle! Do you have loose change hanging around? See Sheila Whitworth for a jar to collect it in. All funds raised will be put aside for future organ repairs.

Feeling Daunted by Technology and the Digital Age? Pop along to Rochdale's Digital Festival on Saturday 27th February for free help and advice from emails to internet TV to social media. Take your own device or have a go with one from a selection available. Lots for the family. From 10am to 4pm at Central Library, No 1 Riverside, Rochdale. Leaflet at the back of church.