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Forthcoming Events

February 2016

Wed	17 th	Lent Lunch at St Margaret's
Tues	23 rd	PCC Meeting 7.30pm
Wed	24 th	Lent Lunch at St Joseph's

March 2016

Tues	1 st & 15 th	Pilgrim Course 1.30pm & 7.30pm
Wed	2 nd	Lent Lunch at Baptist Church Heywood
Weds	2 nd	Men's Group
Fri	4 th	Thornton's Chocolate Party
Wed	9 th	Lent Lunch at Trinity Methodist
Wed	16 th	Lent Lunch venue later
Thurs	17 th	Parson's Pints 8.30pm
Sun	20 th	Annual Meetings 11.45am
Fri	25 th	Good Friday Service at St Aidan's, 10am

April 2016

Sat	16 th	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



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



14th February 2016

Lent 1

Gospel reading

Luke 4: 1 - 13

Anthems

Turn Thy Face From My Sins

Attwood

Hear My Prayer

Arcadelt

Weekly Services

Sundays:

10am

Family Communion

Wednesdays:

9.30am

Holy Communion

Weddings and Baptisms
by appointment



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

St. Aidan's Church Sudden, Rochdale

The
Season
of
Lent



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.

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 21st Feb Lent 2

Sidespersons	J & JM; VK; HH	Hall Preparation	JT; MJ
Coffee	JM; IL; ST	Counting	JT; JE
Church Cleaning	R & EO; EF; AM	Open Church	See Rota

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

THANK YOU

Gordon Wallace wishes to thank everyone for their cards, best wishes, prayers and phone calls he has received during his ongoing illness.

ST ANDREW'S METHODIST /URC Rochdale Town Centre

Lent Soup Lunch 12 noon, Lent Study Course 12.30 every Tues in Lent from 16th Feb, Further details Poster at Back of Church

PASSION ART TRAIL

Passion Art; Be Still celebrates the ancient Christian festival of Lent through the mindful reflection of art in 6 of Manchester's most iconic venues. It was launched at Manchester Cathedral on Fri 12th Feb

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.

WELCOMING – A Mission Action Planning Initiative

Sat 20th Feb at 10am, Are you a Sidesperson or would you like to join the new Team at the Annual Meeting on 20th March? .Are you interested in having a say about how we welcome all members of the congregation and discussing some of the other very important tasks which need to be done "behind the scenes"? Please come along for a very informal meeting over coffee on Sat 20th Feb at 10 am or pass on any ideas/offers to help to Ann Montgomery or Elaine Fowler (ann@staidan.org.uk) before 2002 16 Many Thanks

SHEILA'S EMPTY JARS NEED FILLING

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.

HEBRON CHURCH

40 Days Holy Bible reading Rochdale Town Centre organised by Hebron Church
From New King James Version, commencing daily at 14 00 Hrs; 2 hrs per day(2.5 hrs for Day 31 and 33) Information at the back of Church