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Forthcoming Events		
March		
8th	Lent Lunch at Trinity Methodist at 12.30pm	
15 th	Lent Lunch at St Joseph's at 12 .30pm	
22 nd	Lent Lunch at Heywood Baptists at 12 .30pm	
29 th	Lent Lunch at St Luke's at 12 '30pm	
25 th	Dustbusters 10 - 12	
April		
1st	Spring Fair 11 am – 2pm	
5 th	Lent Lunch at St John's at 12.30pm	
	8th 15 th 22 nd 29 th 25 th	

Regular Events

Prayer Meeting –every Tues during Term time at 9.45am Open Church & Coffee Morning– Every Wednesday 10am-12pm (during January) 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 St Aidan's Art Group – Mondays 12.45pm Knitwits – Fridays 2pm Councillor's Surgery – 1st Saturday 10.15am St Aidan's Walking Group - usually 1st Sat of the month

Duties March 12th

Hall :JM;WH Sidespersons A &JC; W& LH Coffee:AP;BW;LH Counting: as Rota



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5th March 2017

Lent 1

Gospel Matt 4:1 - 11

Anthems Hide Not Thou Thy Face *Farrant* Incline Thine Ear *Himmel*

Weekly Services

Sundays: 10am Family Communion

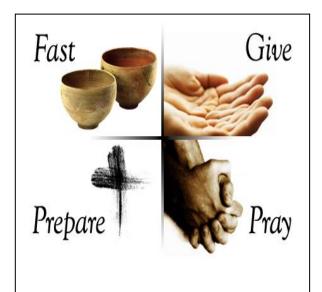
Wednesdays: 9.30am Holy Communion



Refreshments are served in the Hall after the Sunday morning service and in church on Wednesday mornings. All are welcome.

St. Aidan's Church

in the Parish of St Aidan, Sudden, Rochdale and All Souls, Heywood



CHRISTIAN AID 2017

Please try to fill in the street allocation list for delivering The Christian Aid Enveloppes In addition to our usual house to house collection around the parish during Christian Aid Week which is $14^{th} - 20^{th}$ May, you might also like to think whether you could help with **the BIG BREKKIE** initiative at some date between now and then. Many Thanks - Keith

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND Diocese of Manchester

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.

Pilgrim Course

The course is held every first and third Tuesday in the Epiphany Chapel. 1.30 – 3.00 pm led by Revd Mike Read, or 7.30 – 9.00 pm led by Revd Ian Butterworth, covering the same material. Everyone is welcome.

Intercession Prayers

Please write names for the Intercessions on the list at the back of Church. Names are 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 for giving 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.

Children's Groups

The Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Sunday Morning Service (after the second hymn):

Kindergarten (ages 3-6) and Adventurers (ages 7-14)

Young Stewards (over 7) help in church on the 1st Sunday in the month.

For further information about our work with Children & Young People, Please speak to the Vicar or Curate or email; children@staidan'org.uk

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

LENT

Lent is the period of 40 days which comes before Easter in the Christian calendar. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, Lent is a season of reflection and preparation before the celebrations of Easter. By observing the 40 days of Lent, Christians replicate Jesus Christ's sacrifice and withdrawal into the desert for 40 days. Lent is marked by fasting, both from food and festivities.

ELECTORAL ROLL

This yr the Electoral Roll is to be **UPDATED** in preparation for The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (Sun 9th April after the Service) Therefore if you are a new member of St Aidan's & All Soul's could you please complete an application form which will be at the back of Church on the table in the tower from 26th Feb ;**Forms must be completed by 12 th March Criteria to be on Electoral Roll;** Be Baptised;be 16 or over or reach your 16th birthday in the next 12 mths ;have habitually attended worship in The Parish during the last 6mths, For further information speak to Wardens or Elaine Fowler ,

CONFIRMATION

Are you interested in being confirmed this year? The Confirmation Service will take place this year on 21^{st} May at St Aidan's 6.30pm ;The Preparation classes will be held at St John's Hopwood Sat 9.30 - 11 am on 19^{th} March, 26^{th} March, 1^{st} April,May 6^{th} , 13^{th} & 20th

PARISH WEEKEND AT SCARGILL HOUSE

Why not take a post Easter weekend break and come to our St Aidan's & All Soul's Parish weekend away(April 28th to 30th 2017) Scargill House is set in beautiful scenery in the Yorkshire Dales at Kettlewell nr Grassington. We will be eating good food, enjoying each other's company & listening to a well known and entertaining speaker.Don't worry about getting there as we will be sharing transport.Please see Revd Michael or Sheila Tolley for an information pack containing more details, cost & booking forms or look at the pack at the back of Church.Places are limited so book early

LENT LUNCHES

These commence this week

March 8th Trinity Methodists March 15th St Joseph's March 22nd Heywood Baptist March 29th St Luke's April 5th St John's all at 12.30pm All are

ROTAS

Please can we remind folk that if they are unable to cover their rota to please find someone to cover for them

CHURCH GROUPS

Reports are not required for the Annual Report but we would be most grateful if Group & Activities Organisers could check the relevant section on The Church Web site & send any updates to webmaster@staidan.or.uk