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## Forthcoming Events

### March

Mon	24 <sup>th</sup>	All Souls School KS2 Easter Service 10.30am
Tues	28 <sup>th</sup>	Pilgrim Course 1.30 & 7.30 Compline at 7pm
Sat	25 <sup>th</sup>	Dustbusters Spring Clean 10 - 12
Wed	29 <sup>th</sup>	Lent Lunch at St Luke's at 12 30

### April

Sat	1 <sup>st</sup>	Spring Fair 11 am – 1pm
Wed	5 <sup>th</sup>	Lent Lunch at St John's at 12.30pm
Sun	9 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Meetings after Morning Service
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	Stations of the Cross 7.30pm
Thurs	13 <sup>th</sup>	Maundy Thursday Service & Supper 7.30pm
Fri	14 <sup>th</sup>	Good Friday Service 10am at Brimrod Methodist Church Come & Sing Stainer's Crucifixion Performance 6.30pm

## Regular Events

**Open Church & Coffee Morning**—Wednesday 10am- 1pm

**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** – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 10.15am

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

### Duties April 2nd

Hall JT;MJ Sidespersons IP;AM;YS

Coffee: MS;BW;DBL Counting: As Rota



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



**26<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Lent 4**

**Mothering Sunday**

**Psalm**

127 ;1 - 4

**Gospel**

John 19; 25b - 27

**Anthems**

Song of Mary - *Duffy*

Ave Maria - *Bruckner*

**Weekly Services**

**Sunday**

10am

Family Communion

**Tuesday** (term time)

9.45am

Morning Prayer

Access by Epiphany Chapel door

**Wednesday**

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

## A Prayer for Mothering Sunday

Thank you God for the love of our mothers;  
thank you God for their care and concern;  
thank you God for the joys  
they have shared with us;  
thank you God for the pains  
they have borne for us;  
thank you God for all that they give us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



**St Aidan's Church**  
**Sudden, Rochdale**



**Spring Fair**

**1<sup>st</sup> April 2017**

**11.00am - 1.00pm**

Refreshments • White Elephant • Childrens games

Books • Plants • Homebake • Toys • Chocolate Tombola ...

and much much MORE!!!!

# 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 Group

Meeting on two Tuesdays in the month 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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:children@staidan.org.uk)*

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

## SAD NEWS

We are sorry to announce that David Benjamin died R I P in the early hours of Monday morning. Please keep Margaret and the family in your prayers. The Funeral will be on Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am at Rochdale Crematorium

## Lent at St Aidan's Church

If you would like a moment or two of peace & quiet during Lent come & try Compline - a short night service which will be held in Church at 7pm every Tues until Easter. The service, which is said without any music or hymns, lasts for about 10 mins and is a lovely way of touching the hem of Jesus' garment & feeling his peace.

## SPRING FAIR SAT 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 11 am-1pm

Please start saving toys, books, games, bottles, chocolates etc. Homebake needed on the day. There is a list of stalls at the back of church - please put your name down to help or just come along.

**Confirmation Preparation Classes** will be held at St John's Hopwood Sat 9.30 – 11 am on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 1<sup>st</sup> April, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> with the Confirmation Service at St Aidan's on 21<sup>st</sup> May at 6.30pm.

**ANNUAL MEETINGS:** Election of Churchwardens and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) 9th April. This year we will be **electing 2 Churchwardens; 4 Deanery Synod Representatives (in office for 3 years and also members of the PCC) and 12 other members of the PCC (in office for one year). Nomination forms will be available from TODAY** for completion if you have time and talents to offer as part of the church management team. **Sidespersons to sign the list** For more information, please speak to the Vicar or Curate.

## WALKING GROUP

April 8th (note change of date) A delightful circular 4 mile walk starting at the historic Portland Basin in Tameside. There may also be the opportunity to have a short canal boat cruise. For further information on this walk contact Harry on either 01706 355787 or 07979732450

**May 6th** Join us for a lovely 5 mile circular bluebell walk starting in Prestbury walking alongside the river Bollin and through Mottram Wood. For further information contact Lynne and Bill on 01706 522559. Meet as usual in church car park at 8 45am for both walks.

## THANKS

Many Thanks to the Knit Wits who made Scented Sachets to be given to all ladies attending this morning service

## MANCHESTER PASSION

The organisers of the Manchester Passion are looking for volunteers on the day of the performance, Saturday 8 April. Maybe this is just the opportunity you are looking for to do a bit of volunteering as a steward, backstage hand, person in the crowd or even minor acting role (men only for the acting bit). If this is you, please signal your interest by completing a Contact Us form on the Passion website. They would be very grateful for any help you can offer. For further information <https://manchesterpassion.org>