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Church Diary		
February 2018		
Tues	27th	Pilgrim Group 1.30 & 7.30pm
March 2018		
Fri	2nd	Women's World Day of Prayer St Margaret's
Sun	4th	Visit by Archdeacon of Rochdale
Sun	11th	All Age Eucharist – Mothering Sunday
Tues	13th	Pilgrim Group 1.30 & 7.30pm
Sat	24th	Spring Fair 11am - 1pm
Sun	25th	Annual Meetings 11.30am
Fri	30th	Good Friday Service with Brimrod at St Aidan's 10am
Fri	30th	Come & Sing Crucifixion
April 2018		
Thurs	19th	Friendship Tea Dance 2-4pm
Sat	28th	Music Event Rock & Retirement Choirs

#### **Regular Events**

Open Church & Coffee Morning – Wednesday 10am- 12md Choir Practice – Thursdays 7pm / 7.45pm

St. Aidan's Men's Group - 1st Wednesday 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











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



25<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Lent 2

Gospel

Mark 8; 31 - end

#### **Anthems**

Lord For Thy Tender
Mercie's Sake Farrant
Turn Thy Face From My
Sins Attwood

Weekly Services
Sunday 10am
Family Communion

**Tuesday 9.45am**Morning Prayer

## Wednesday 9.30am

Holy Communion

Weddings by appointment <u>vicar@staidan.org.uk</u> Baptisms by appointment

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

# St. Aidan's Church

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



#### **Lent Lunches 2018**

Feb 21st St Joseph
Feb 28 Heywood Baptist
Mar 7th Trinity Methodist
Mar 14 St Luke's
Mar 21st St John's Hopwood
All Lent Lunches begin
at 12:30 pm



#### Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1.30pm

St Margaret's Church, Heys Lane, Heywood OL10 3RD Followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall.

Everyone is welcome!



FAIR FOR ALL Rochdale's only dedicated
Fairtrade outlet is now open at 16, The Walk (next
to Fishwick's Newsagents).
Run by volunteers from local churches.

**ANNUAL REPORTS:** please **c**an all officers send their reports to <a href="mailto:christine@staidan.org.uk">christine@staidan.org.uk</a> by 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. Many thanks. **Christine** 



# Welcome to St Aidan's Church

Our Mission is to be a strong church family, promoting and maintaining the Good News about Jesus to the Parish and the wider community.

If we can help you in any way, please speak to the Vicar, Sidespersons or any of the Church Officers. We aim to be a friendly caring church.



An opportunity to explore and discuss our journey of faith.
All are welcome. See Events Diary for dates of meetings.

#### **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

#### **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). All children stay with the Congregation on the first Sunday in the month and our Young Stewards (over 7) help with church duties. For further information about our work with Children & Young People, please speak to the Vicar or Curate or email children@staidan.org.uk

#### **Dedications to a Loved One**

Dedications can be placed in hymn books; the St Aidan Memorial Book or the Parish Book of Remembrance.

Please ask any PCC Member for further details.



#### **NOTICES**

The Notices team are looking to recruit, if you are willing and available to cover any holidays. You need to be proficient in Word Etc Please See Ann M or Ina for further details

The <u>ELECTORAL ROLL</u> is being <u>updated</u> in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (Sun 25<sup>th</sup> March after Service). If you are a new church member please complete an application <u>and</u> consent form. The forms are available at the back of church today and must be completed by 25<sup>th</sup> February. Criteria to be on the Electoral Roll: be baptized; be 16yrs old or over or reach your 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday in the next 12 months; have habitually attended worship in the Parish during the last 6 months. For further information please speak to the <u>Churchwardens</u> Or <u>Elaíne</u> Fowler.

On <u>Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup></u> we will be welcoming Archdeacon Cherry Vann to preach at St Aidan's and therefore our next All Age Eucharist will be held on Sun 11<sup>th</sup> March (Mothering Sunday).

**Also on March** 4<sup>th</sup> the Children's Groups will be celebrating Fairtrade in Junior Church. More details from the Children's Leaders.

FRIENDSHIP TEA DANCE We are planning to hold a tea dance for people in the area who are lonely and for those with dementia and their carers. Revd Mike will play the organ for dancing and singing and we hope that if guests enjoy the afternoon we can repeat it in the future. The tea dance will be held on Thursday April 19th 2-4pm and will be publicised in our Parish Newsletter. If you are interested in helping at the event or by baking or driving guests to and from the church, please let one of us know. We would also be pleased if anyone else would like to join in the planning and organising. It should be fun!

Rev Michael, Rev Ian T, Lynne Hutton, Elaine Fowler, Sheila Tolley

### **SPRING FAIR 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

Please collect books, bric-a-brac, tombola prizes. bottles and toys and plan your home bake for the Spring Fair. Volunteers for stalls and help with refreshments, setting up and tidying afterwards to Tracey. Many thanks. Please add your name to a stall, List on the noticeboard

#### SPRING PARISH NEWSLETTER

If you have a notice you wish to put in Spring Parish Newsletter, Please inform Rebekah Cheshire by e mail rebekah@staidan.org.uk preferably by

**Church Duties next week Sun 4<sup>th</sup> March** Hall: M Jaques & Fam Sidespersons: IP;AM;YS Coffee: VH;CR.JL Counting As Rota Children's Groups: