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St Aidan's Church Rochdale

Church Diary		
May 2018		
Tues	1st	Pilgrim Group -1.30 & 7.30
Sun	6th	Confirmation Service at St John's Hopwood 6.30pm
Thurs	10th	Ascension Day Service St Thomas Bowlee
Sun - Sat	13 – 19th	Christian Aid Week
Tues	15th	PCC Meeting
Sun	20th	Choral Evensong 6.30pm
Tues	22nd	Pilgrim Group 1.30 & 7.30pm
Wed	23rd	Archdeacon's Visitation at St Aidan's 7.30pm
June 2018		
Tues	5th	Pilgrim Group 1.30 & 7.30pm
Tues	26th	Evening meeting with Bishop Mark 7.30pm
July 2018		
Tues	3rd	Pilgrim Group 1.30 & 7.30pm
Sat	7th	Proposed Visit to Mirfield
Mon	9th	PCC Meeting
September 2018		
Sat	8th	Heritage Open Day 10am-12pm
Sun	16th	Heritage Open Day 2–4pm

**Regular Events** 

Open Church & Coffee Morning – Weds 10am-12pm 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



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



### 29th April 2018 Easter 5

**Gospel** 1 John 4.7-end John 15.1-8

Anthems

I Am the Vine

O Taste and See Goss

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 <u>reviantaylor@gmail.com</u>



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



Memorial window in the Epiphany Chapel, installed in 1969 in memory of Terence Cousins, a Chorister. Designed by Abbott & Co (Lancaster) Ltd. Depicts Our Lord as the True Vine

## **R**OBINSON **R**OOM APPEAL

Can you help? This room in the back of the Hall is important to many church groups and is also used as a reception room for functions. It is in dire need of repairs, redecoration and new furnishings. We would welcome further donations towards the cost of repairs and /or offers of practical help to plan & carry out the necessary work. For further information please speak to the Churchwardens.

## 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.* 

Pilgrim Group

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 when 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.



### THY KINGDOM COME



There will be a prayer station at the All Souls' Altar from Ascension Day (10<sup>th</sup> May) until Pentecost (20<sup>th</sup> May). We are all encouraged to pray during this time for 5 people, that God's kingdom will come alive in them; pray for 5 people you would wish to know the good news of Jesus Christ in their lives. You are also encouraged to invite 5 people to come with you to church during this season and into the summer. Please pray and take part in this venture. *Revd Michael* 



### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK IS FROM 13<sup>TH</sup> TO 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY CAN YOU HELP ?

Last year we raised £1,189 for Christian Aid. We achieved this by delivering, and then collecting, Christian Aid envelopes to a number of areas in the Parish. Can we do better this year? If you can help, please have a word with either me, Elaine Fowler (641589) or Ann Montgomery (359869). Thank you. Keith Lloyd (648955) or <u>keithandjane@kdjcl.co.uk</u>

**CONFIRMATION SERVICE Sunday** 6th May at 6.30pm with the Bishop of Middleton at St John's Hopwood.

**ARCHDEACON'S VISITATION** Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 7.30pm at St Aidan's Churchwardens, Sidespersons, PCC Members and clergy are required to attend. All are welcome. Refreshments will be available – help would be appreciated.

**PILGRIM GROUP:** Have you ever wanted to find out more about prayer? To understand what happens when you pray, how to do it, what to say. Explore a little more and grow your own prayer life in the company of others who are also seeking to know more. Everyone is welcome to any session. For more information, speak to Sheila Tolley.

### Heywood & Sudden Cluster of Churches Social Evening

Thanks to all who attended this meeting at St James' in Heywood with other members of our section of the Deanery– we will be sharing the ideas we came up with on how local churches can work and grow together. Future meetings and joint events will be planned. *Revd Michael & Revd Ian, Sheila & Joanne* 

### Church Duties next week Sun 6th May Hall: AJ AH Sidespersons: IP AM Young Stewards Coffee: AP BW LH Counting MB RM Children's Groups in Church