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**St Aidan's  
 Church  
 Rochdale**

## Church Diary

### December 2018

Sun	9th	Masonic Carol Service 3pm
Weds	12th	Heywood Christmas Celebration 7pm St Joseph's
Wed	12 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Group - Ch Party
Sun	16th	St Aidan's Carol Service 6.30pm
Mon	24th	Crib & Christingle Service 2pm
Mon	24 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Eucharist 11.30pm
Tuesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Family Communion 10am

### January 2018

Tues	15th	PCC Meeting 7.30pm
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### Regular Events

**Open Church & Coffee Morning** – Wed 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  
**Knitwits** – Fridays 2pm  
**Councillor's Surgery** – 1st Saturday 10.15am

**St Aidan's C of E Parish Church**  
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 with news for the Notices, Facebook  
 or the Church Website.



9<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018  
 Advent 2

**Gospel Reading**  
 Luke 3; 1 – 6  
**Psalm**  
 Benedictus

**Anthems**  
*O King and Desire*  
*Stainer*  
*Advent Song*  
*Trad*

**Weekly Services**  
**Sunday 10am**  
 Family Communion  
**Tuesday 9.45am**  
 Morning Prayer  
**Wednesday 9.30am**  
 Holy Communion

**Weddings and  
 Baptisms  
 by appointment**



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



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### CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2018

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December  
 3pm – Rochdale Masonic Carol Service

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December  
 6.30pm – St Aidan's Church Carol Service

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
 2pm – Children's Crib & Christingle Service

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December  
 11.30pm – Christmas Eve Eucharist

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December  
 10am – Christmas Day Family Communion  
*We wish you all  
 a joyful and peaceful Christmas*

### THE CANDLES

On the second Sunday of Advent, the purple candle  
 called the "Bethlehem Candle," is lit. This candle  
 represents love and symbolizes Christ's Manger

### CHRISTMAS CARD TREE

It is at the back of Church, you may wish to put 1 card  
 on the tree and what you save you may wish to make  
 a donation either to St Aidan's of a charity of your  
 choice  
 For further info please see Elaine F

# 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 Church Memorial Book  
or the Parish Book of Remembrance.  
*Please ask any PCC Member for further details.*

## CHURCH DUTIES 16<sup>th</sup> Dec

Hall;AJ;AHSidespersons;CR;JL Coffee;JC;VK;MB  
Counting as rota; Childrens Groups as rota

## MANY THANKS

1.Thank you to all who helped to decorate the Church for Christmas –  
*Elizabeth*

2.Thanks to all who were involved in any way with this Yrs Banquets which  
raised a magnificent £8208 for Church Funds – PCC

3.A BIG THANK YOU to all who donated to the winter collection for the  
Homeless.I have delivered 3 bags to The Soup Kitchen at Champness Hall, 4  
bags plus toiletries to Petrus & 1 bag plus Toiletries to the Council Drop – in  
Centre All donations were gratefully received. Thank you once again *Elaine F*

4.A BIG THANK YOU to Ken & Joan Davies for masterminding the LAST  
NIGHT OF THE PROMS again. A fantastic night with a packed Church & 4  
wonderful groups of performers including our own Ukulele group. Church  
Funds benefited by well over £700 - PCC

## ROCHDALE DISTRICT MASONIC CAROL SERVICE

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec at 3pm at St Aidan's TODAY

Everyone is welcome

The service will be followed by Mince pies and coffee in The Church Hall

## CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> at 2pm – All are welcome

Please come along to this service led by Revd Ian Taylor.

Everyone can help by making a donation to the Children's Society as we celebrate 50 years since  
Christingle began in this country. Collection candles and envelopes are available at the back of

## A GOOD NIGHT OUT

Beer and Carols is at St James Heywood is on Saturday 15th  
December at 7pm. This is back by popular demand as it was enjoyed by all last year. A chance to  
sing and look forwards to the festival of Christmas, to get together with friends old and new from  
Heywood Churches Together and the cluster Churches. A family social occasion and Santa will  
be calling in for the children of all ages. There will be a chocolate nativity and an item called  
'Rudolph Who' (you have to come along to see what they are). Wear your Christmas jumper  
there will be a prize for the best. Like last year we will be accompanied by our friends from  
Whitworth Vale and Healey Brass. Free entry, snacks on sale, Bar( with Beer) Raffle, Tombola

## FUTURE EVENT

SAT 12th Jan at 7.30pm Greater M/c Police Male Voice Choir with The Hometowners Folk  
Band will be presenting a night of music & laughter Tickets £10 from Keith (648955)

## ST AIDAN'S LADIES GROUP

Meeting next Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Dec at 6.30pm The Ladies Christmas Party