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Church Diary		
March 2019		
Sun	31st	All Age Eucharist for Mothering Sunday
April 2019		
Tues	2nd	St Aidan's Lent Course 7.30pm
Sat	6th	Contemplative Prayer 11.15am
Sat	13th	Dustbusters Spring Clean from 10am
Su	14th	Annual Church Meetings
Weds	17th	Stations of the Cross 7.30pm
Thurs	18th	Maundy Thursday Supper 7pm
Fri	19th	Good Friday at St Aidan's 10am
May 2019		
Thurs	2nd	Heywood Cluster Group Social 7pm
Weds	8th	Archdeacon's Visitation St Chad's 7pm
Sat	18th	Safeguarding Training 12-2pm
June 2019		
Sun	2nd	Confirmation Service St Luke's 6.30pm
Sun	16th	United Christian Singers Concert 6.30pm
Regular Events		
Contemplative Prayer – 1 st Sat every month (not Aug) 11.15am–12 noon		
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		
Please email newsletter@staidan.org.uk with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website.		
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**St Aidan's
Church
Rochdale**



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31st March 2019

Lent 4

Gospel Reading

Luke 15:1-3

Anthems

Song of Mary
Duffy

Ave Maria
Bruckner

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



Thank You to



.....everyone involved in the production and delivery of our local parish newsletter over the last couple of weeks

.....Tracey for masterminding the Spring Fair and to all who helped and supported this annual event. Over £1000 was raised this year so well done folks!

**Confirmation Service at St Luke's Heywood
Sunday 2nd June 6.30pm**

Please speak to Revd Michael by Easter Sunday if you or your child (aged 10+ and in year 6 or above) wish to be confirmed this year.



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.

Flowers in the church today.

The flowers on the left hand side have been donated by Ina in loving remembrance of her twin sister Hilary on the occasion of their birthday on 5th March.

Spring Dustbusting on Saturday 13th April from 10am

However you can help will be much appreciated or just come along to make coffee. Tasks inside and out (weather permitting).

Cluster Group Spring Sing-a-long Thurs 2nd May at 7pm

The next Deanery Cluster social event will be on Thursday May 2nd at 7pm in St James' Church Hall in Heywood. Our own St Aidan's ukulele group will be playing for a sing-along of popular songs, the bar will be open and there will be a light supper provided.

Do come along and meet up again with our friends from other churches.

An update from Friends of the Carnegie (Castleton)

We officially took up our tenancy on February 1st and occupy the old "Reading Room" on the ground floor. We hope to create a local history and heritage centre, plus a special section about Andrew Carnegie, who gave it to the people of Castleton in 1905. The maple block flooring, which was very badly water damaged and was lifting in all the rooms as a consequence, has been re-laid and looks fantastic. If anyone has any photographs of, or connection with, old Castleton, please come and talk to us, we want to hear from you. Thank you Sheila Whitworth



St Aidan's Lent Course

"Glimpses of God: finding God in everyday life" led by Revd Michael

Tuesdays 19th, 26th March & 2nd April
All are welcome Venue: Chapel Time 7.30pm

Lent Lunches in Heywood

Wednesday 3rd April 12.30pm at St John's Hopwood
Wednesday 10th April 12.30pm at Trinity Methodist Heywood

All are welcome. Photographs from these events would be welcomed. Please send to newsletter@staidan.org.uk

Duties April 7th 2019

Sidespersons: IP AM Hall: MJ **Coffee:** EM CR NW **Children's Groups:** GW LB AM
Counting: MB RM