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Church Diary		
February 2020		
Mon	24th	Christian Aid Meeting Bamford Chapel 7.30pm
Weds	26th	Ash Wednesday
March 2020		
Tues	10th	PCC Meeting 7.30pm
Fri-Sun	20th-22nd	Parish Weekend Away
Sat	28th	Spring Fair 11 – 1pm
April 2020		
Sun	5th	Palm Sunday Annual Church Meetings 11.45am
Sun	12th	Easter Sunday
<p>Regular Events</p> <p>Contemplative Prayer – 1st Sat every month (not Aug) 11.15am–12 noon</p> <p>Open Church & Coffee Morning – Wed 10am-12pm</p> <p>Choir Practice – Thursdays 7-30pm</p> <p>St Aidan's Men's Group – 1st Weds of the month</p> <p>St Aidan's Ladies Guild – Monthly meetings</p> <p>St Aidan's Flower Group – Fridays 7.30pm</p> <p>Knitwits – Fridays 2pm</p> <p>Councillor's Surgery – 1st Saturday 10.15am</p> <p>Please email newsletter@staidan.org.uk with news for the Notices, Facebook or the Church Website</p>		
<p>St Aidan's C of E Parish Church Manchester Road, Rochdale OL11 3EL Vehicular Access OL11 3NH</p>		



St Aidan's
Church
Rochdale

a church
NEAR YOU

THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Manchester

CHURCH
FOR A
DIFFERENT
WORLD



16th February 2020

2nd Sunday before
Lent

Reading
Matthew
6. 25 - end

Anthems

Fairest Lord Jesus
Traditional
Holy Holy Holy
Schubert

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



Church Electoral Roll: the Electoral Roll will be revised between 23rd February and 8th March. If you are not on the roll already and would like to be, forms will be available from next week. You can be on the Electoral Roll if you are aged 16 or over, are baptised and either live in the parish or have worshipped here for at least 6 months. The forms give the full details of eligibility. For further information, see **Elaine Fowler** who is our Electoral Roll Secretary.

The Annual Church Meetings will be held on 5.4.2020 after the morning service to review the past year, discuss the future and appoint Churchwardens and other church officers. In preparation please can church officers and group leaders send their reports to me by **Monday 24th February**. This will allow time to collate them all in readiness for the next PCC Meeting. A big thank you in advance. **Christine Richardson - Secretary**

Thank you to Rochdale Heartbeat for the donation of a defibrillator. This will be installed in the hall and training will be organised as soon as possible. www.rochdaleheartbeat.co.uk



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.

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*

The Flower List can be found on the main noticeboard.

Regular Giving to support St Aidan's Church

Giving by the envelope scheme and standing order are vital ways of supporting our church. If you wish to join the scheme, to submit or amend a Gift Aid Declaration or change your method of giving, please see Debra Buckley (Treasurer) or Joanne Elcock (Gift Aid Secretary).

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.

Can you help?

There are always plenty of tasks to help with around church and the hall. If you think you can help in any way, please speak to the Vicar, Churchwardens or any PCC Member.



The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Alan Cowburn, 15th February 2016. Missed every day but will live forever in our hearts. *Pat, Julie, Debra and Families.*

The flowers near the pulpit are for the First Anniversary of Fred Porter, died 16th February 2019. Dad of June and Alan Clarke, missed by all the Family.



Christian Aid Week this year is from 10th to 16th May. Please make a note of this in your diary and see whether you may be able to help.

There is a **Christian Aid Meeting** at Bamford Chapel on Monday 24th February at 7.30 when someone from Christian Aid is coming to talk about this year's theme, "Together we can stop the Climate Crisis". This is always a good evening, with stalls, activities, refreshments and a quiz. Do come along, you will enjoy it. For more information, please see either Elaine Fowler or Keith Lloyd



Your donations to the Foodbank are much appreciated. There is an urgent need for Longlife Milk, Cereals and Tinned Fish & Meat.

January Statistics:

Total weighed in: 4043kg Total weighed out: 7934.20kg

Vouchers fulfilled: 465

Number of persons fed: 587 adults and 334 children (2019 figures were 536 & 215)

Middleton Musical Society at Alkington & Providence URC

Viennese Choral Evening & Music from Flute Ensemble Tooti Flooti

Saturday 22nd February 7.30pm

Tickets £8 **Further information from Ian & Joy Butterworth**

Please take this notice-sheet home with you or pass it on to a friend

CHURCH DUTIES NEXT WEEK 23rd February

Sidespersons	Hall	Coffee	Junior Church	Counting						
A&JC	W&LH	JM	HH	JC	VK	MB	VC	JE	JE	AC