



St Aidan's Church

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

Church Diary



21st February PCC Meeting

22nd February Ash Wednesday Service 9.30am

14th March Licensing of Revd Sydwell Isaac 7pm Venue tbc

18th March Spring Fair 11am – 1pm

2nd April Annual Meetings after the Morning Service 11.30am

15th April Afternoon Tea with Songs from the Shows 2-4pm

10th June Colours Fashion Show 2-4pm

Revd Sydwell Isaac

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The Revd Sydwell Isaac, currently Curate at Milnrow and Newhey, has been appointed Incumbent of St. Martin Castleton and Incumbent of St Aidan Sudden with All Souls Heywood (in Plurality) together with Assistant Curate of St. Clement Spotland and St George Oakenrod (with special responsibility for St George Oakenrod).

Church Electoral Roll 2023

This year the Electoral Roll of the church is to be **UPDATED** in preparation for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting [Sunday 2nd April after the Morning Service].

If you are a **new** member of St. Aidan's could you please complete an application form. The forms will be at the back of Church on the table in the Tower from 19th February. Forms must be completed by 5th March.

Criteria to be on the Electoral Roll:

(a) is baptised,

(b) is aged 16 or over, and

(c) has made one of the following three declarations and duly applied for enrolment.

The first declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it and is resident in the parish.

The second declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it, is not resident in the parish, but has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

The third declaration is that the person is a member in good standing of a Church which is not in communion with the Church of England but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and is also a member of the Church of England and has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

For further information speak to the Churchwardens or Elaine Fowler (Electoral Roll Officer).

There will be more information in the next newsletter about the annual meetings and nominations for Church Officers and other members of the Parish Church Council for 2023/24.



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

Spring Fair 18th March 2023

How you can help

- Fill a jar with wrapped sweets or a small gift and bring to church during February & March
- Collect good as new gifts, books, bottles, toys and games and bring to the Hall 4.30 - 6pm on Friday 17th March
- Buy chocolates and Easter Eggs for the ever-popular Chocolate Tombola stall
- Plan to bring Home Bake on the day of the Fair
- Volunteer to help on a stall or with refreshments – sign up in the Hall
- Bring your family and friends on 18th March

New fundraising ideas welcome !

For further information, please speak to Tracey or any member of the PCC



The poster features a colorful sunburst graphic at the top right. On the left is the circular logo for St. Aidan's Church, Sudden, Rochdale, which contains a complex knotwork design. The main text is centered and reads: 'St Aidan's Church Spring Fair' in large, bold letters, followed by 'Saturday 18th March 2023' and '11am—1pm' in red. Below this is 'St Aidan's Church Hall' and the address 'Manchester Road Sudden Rochdale OL11 3EL'. A list of activities includes 'Refreshments Home Bake £1 Jars Books Gifts Tombola Toys & Games Raffle . . . and lots of chocolate and surprises!'. At the bottom, it says 'In aid of Church Funds' and 'Admission 50p (children free)'. A cartoon rabbit holding a purple Easter egg is positioned on the left side of the poster.

News from the Diocese

Applications are open for LAY TRAINING COURSES covering all areas of church life.

For more information and details please see below. Application deadline is Sunday 12 March.

<https://www.manchester.anglican.org/.../general-lay-courses/>





Intercessory Prayers during the morning service

Please speak to a Churchwarden or Sidesperson when you arrive on a Sunday morning if you would like a name to be included in the prayers for the week.

You can also make use of the Prayer Tree in the Chapel for those you know who are long-term sick and all are welcome to use the Chapel for private prayers and to light a candle.

In Memoriam

Please contact Elizabeth Milne to donate to the Flower Fund or to arrange for flowers on a specific date 01706 633179 or email newsletter@staidan.org.uk

Dedications to a Loved One can be placed in a hymn book or the Parish Book of Remembrance. Please contact Elaine Fowler for more details.



Children and Families at St Aidan's Church

The Children's Groups (3-14 yrs) usually meet on Sunday mornings during school term-time. The children go out to the Hall with the Children's Leaders during the second (Gradual) hymn and return for Communion. **There will be no meeting on 19.2.23 for Half Term.**

For further information, please speak to a Children's Leader or email safeguarding@staidan.org.uk

Wednesday mornings at St Aidan's

Why not join us at 9.30am any week (or perhaps during Lent) for a short 30 minute spoken service? Refreshments are served after the service.



There will be a special service for Ash Wednesday on 22nd February at the usual time of 9.30am.



Giving to St Aidan's Church

Thank you for your continued financial support to church whether it be through the pledged giving envelope scheme, weekly or monthly standing orders, gift aid donations or cash donations. The upkeep and running of the church really is dependent on your continued support. You can now donate to church using your bank card on a portable card reader at all services. Ask a Churchwarden or Sidesperson for help if you would like to use this facility

For those who give through the envelope scheme, please collect your 2023 envelopes from the table at the back of church.



Thank you. *Debra Buckley, Treasurer*



News from Rochdale Foodbank

Thank you to all the supporters for efforts to stock the Foodbank. The following items are particularly required and can be dropped off at collection points in local supermarkets or at the Foodbank on Newgate 11am-12.30pm Mon-Friday: Jam; Long Life Milk; Tinned potatoes or Instant Mash; Tinned Fruit. On average over 100 of each of these items are used every week.



	5.2.23 3rd before Lent	12.2.23 2nd before Lent	19.2.23 Next before Lent Transfiguration	26.2.23 Lent 1
Readings 	Isaiah 58.1-9a,(9b-12); Psalm 112.1-9; 1 Corinthians 2.1-12,(1316); Matthew 5.13-20	Deuteronomy 30.15-20; Psalm 119.1-8; 1 Corinthians 3.1-9; Matthew 5.21-37	Exodus 24.12-18; Psalm 2; Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1.16-21; Matthew 17.1-9	Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5.12-19; Matthew 4.1-11
Anthems 	<i>Sun who all my life dost brighten</i> <i>Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace</i> Lee Williams	<i>Seek ye first the Kingdom of God</i> <i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i>	<i>Be still for the presence of the Lord</i> <i>O Nata Lux</i> Tallis	<i>Turn thy face from my sins</i> Attwood <i>Hear my prayer</i> Arcadelt

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**Our Parish is currently in a
Vacancy. Please contact a
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