



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church

www.dorcanchurch.org.uk
 8th February, 2015

2nd Sunday before Lent

“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.
 We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only”
 John 1:14

SERVICES - 8th February

St. Paul's

10.30am

All Age Service

Vybe, Ignite
 And Sunday Club

We welcome and thank our children and young people for leading us in worship in our all-age service this morning.
Sunday Club: All Age Service

4.00pm

Informal Worship

The Rev'ds Trudie
 and Andrew Wigley

St. Tim's

10.30am

Holy Communion

Rev'd Andrew Wigley

Eldene

10.30am

Morning Worship

Neil Marshall

Lectionary

Readings: 8th February

Mark 1: 29-39

Isaiah 40: 21-31

Psalm 147: 1-11

1 Cor. 9: 16-23

Welcome to the Dorcan Church

**If you are new, we would love to get to know you better.
 Please speak to the Minister or to one of the Stewards.**

THIS WEEK		
Monday 9th February	2-4pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes at St. Tim's Ministry team meeting at Fairlawn Fellowship Group— Thorne Rd. Eldene
Tuesday 10th February	7.30pm 7.30pm	Men's Fellowship Group - Hatherley Road Cell Group— Fitzmaurice Cl. Covingham
Wednesday 11th February	9.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell Group— Tregantle Walk, Nythe
Thursday 12th February	9.30am 10.00am 10am - 12.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St Pauls (vestry) (AW) Funeral of Jill Harris at Kingsdown Crematorium (TW) Swindon clergy chapter meeting (snug & hall) Cell Group— White Edge Moor, Liden Cell Group— Thirlmere, Liden
Friday 13th February	9.30am	"Easter Cracked Open" training at St Paul's

SERVICES - 15th February		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Trudie Wigley
10.30am	Morning Worship	The Rev'd Helen Baber
Welcome: <i>Anna & Brian</i> , Teas: <i>Vybe</i> Sunday Club: <i>Debbie & Helen</i>		
12.30pm	Launch of Lent Course with hot lunch	
St. Tim's	No Service	
Eldene	Service of Praise	Team Service

Informal Worship – moving to 2nd Sunday:

Starting in February, our monthly afternoon praise service will move to the 2nd Sunday of the month.

Our next service will therefore be on Sunday 8th February, starting with tea at 4pm and finishing around 5:30pm. See you there!

Barbara Dickson: It is with great sadness that we share the news that Barbara Dickson died on Monday 26th January. She was loved by so many and her presence will be greatly missed. Our prayers go out to Ken, Emma, Helen and the family at this time of loss. Barbara's funeral will be on Tuesday 17th February at 11:30am at St Paul's, and further details will be shared in due course. May our sister Barbara rest in peace and rise in glory.

For your prayers -

- For peace in the face of the escalation of the crisis in the Ukraine and the continuing violence of IS and other extremists
- The government and MPs in this year of the general election
- Our local businesses, thinking particularly of those on the Dorcan Industrial Estate and the Morrison's development
- All of those who are bereaved, thinking particularly of the friends and family of Jill Harris and Barbara Dickson
- Our Lent course, that many of us will commit to joining a group as we look forward together as a church

Eldene:

Following the verbal notices shared at the services last week, this is to confirm that the last Sunday morning service at Eldene will be on 15th February.

The Eldene fellowship is continuing in strength with its regular meetings in the week, but please do keep our Eldene brothers and sisters in your prayers as a long chapter of Sunday worship ends, and a new one begins for our friends.

Visiting preachers: Do put these dates in your diary as we welcome a number of preachers to lead us in worship over the coming months:

Sunday 15th March: The Ven Christine Froude, Archdeacon of Bristol

Sunday 19th March: The Revd A. Ward Jones, Chair of Bristol District

Sunday 7th June: Jon and Jo Parsons

Lent Groups: “Seasons of Renewal”:

The Lent groups this year are following a course called “Season of Renewal”. Combining traditional elements with a fresh approach, it is ideal for groups and churches who want something a little different which will act as a stimulus for future growth

Each session includes creative and practical elements as well as a focus on scripture and some times of prayer. The sessions cover topics such as change, prayer, growing as individuals, growing as a church and mission, and will be accompanied by themed preaching the week before. This is an opportunity to get to know each other better, and to discuss and interact to discover more of God’s word to us, both individually and as a church, as we enter a new season in the life of Dorcan

A number of courses are going to be run, comprised of existing cell and small groups, as well as additional new groups. There is a sign-up sheet in all the centres outlining the various venues and times. Sunday 15th February is the launch date, where we will have time together after the services with a hot lunch and an overview of the material, and with a chance to get to know others on the course.

Please make sure that you sign the relevant sheets, so that those responsible for the catering will know the numbers.

Our children and young people will also be following the material in their groups and classes. So please do think and pray about joining this lent course as together we look forward in our life at Dorcan using this material. It would be encouraging if many of us were to follow this course during Lent, so please do pray about coming and also consider inviting someone else.

For more information please do contact any of the cell groups leaders, Barbara Wilcox, Beth Lamb or Trudie Wigley.

Lent Course Leaders

Groups participating in the Lent Course are as follows:
All commencing at 7.30pm

Monday	Thorne Road, Eldene	Alex S	346507
Tuesday	Fitzmaurice Close, Covingham	Dianne L	639863
Wednesday	Tregantle Walk, Nythe	Brenda F	497169
Thursday	White Edge Moor, Liden	Colleen W	644024
Thursday	Thirlmere, Liden	John D	827627

Each of these groups would extend a warm welcome to newcomers.

For those not wishing to join an existing group, or who would prefer a day time meeting, there will be two extra groups:

Tuesday morning			
10.00am	Ridge Nether Moore, Liden	Barbara W	538695
Thursday evening			
7.30pm	Sutton Road, Eldene	Nathalie M	421549

Can I encourage you to pray about which group to join.....apart from the fellowship enjoyed, we learn so much when we learn together.

Barbara W.

Messy Church!

As you know, The Dorcan Church has an exciting opportunity to run a Messy Church once a month as part of our outreach. Messy Church will be held at St Paul's Church on the 3rd Sunday of each month (though the launch date is the 22nd March). If you are interested in helping in anyway or want any more information please do speak to me or email me at hannah.mulcock@gmail.com

Messy Church!

If you have already volunteered or are interested in finding out more, please attend a meeting at St. Paul's 4pm-6pm on 22nd February. This meeting is important for finding out more about the roles I would like you to play and how Messy Church will work. If you are unable to attend please email me at hannah.mulcock@gmail.com

Hannah

Lent voices: As part of the 10,000 Voices initiative, the Diocese of Bristol has put together a series of 40 personal and thought-provoking stories of faith each day between Ash Wednesday and Holy Saturday.

This year, during the Lenten season of reflection, we are encouraged to read these individual perspectives on the difference Christ has made to people's lives, and to pray and reflect on their experiences and insights, and each testimony is accompanied by some points and scripture to contemplate on to help our reflections.

To follow in this initiative please visit

<http://www.bristol.anglican.org/2015/lent-voices/> where you can sign up to follow by Twitter, Facebook or email. It would be good if as many of us as possible were to sign up and to take our reflections on the stories into our Lent groups to share with others.

March—May Rota for St. Paul's

Preparations are in hand for the next church rota, would you kindly let me know the dates you are unavailable.

Your support and help is greatly appreciated, and I ask if you would consider all of the duties, perhaps you would like a change, take on another task, or try something completely different. The more we share the lighter the load.

Vacancies available in all areas -

Welcome, Reading, Prayers of Intercession, Refreshments. Cleaning, Hosting Informal services, Deputy Warden and Warden.

If you would like more details on any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact me. With thanks. Diane K.

Thank you all so much for those who bought cakes and for those who donated on Sunday 1st February at my cake sale. Also thank you to those who baked cakes for me and also helped to sell. I raised a total of £193.30 and it would not have been possible to do so without all the amazing people at this church. Once again thank you. *Alirio Mccalla*

Deborah Kelly now has a **brand new laptop**, thanks to the very generous donations from some members of our congregation. Many thanks for your wonderful support

Rise Theatre presents White Rabbit

The story of two people and their journey to faith;
at St Peters Catholic Church on 12th March 2015 7:30pm;
tickets £5 or family £10.

Suitable for adults and children from age 12.

I can get tickets for anyone 639863

or contact my boss Dr Killick 07778656568

Notice on notice board at church

Cantores is one of the Cotswolds' most accomplished amateur chamber choirs. It was founded in 1991 by local choral enthusiasts keen to take the step up beyond choral society and church choir, and aspiring (although with humble realism) to the standards and repertoire of The Sixteen, for example, or the Monteverdi Choir. The choir is supported by a String Ensemble of five players.

Malmesbury Saturday February 21st 7.30pm - CANTORES CHAMBER CHOIR WITH STRING ENSEMBLE Their concert is entitled The Power of the Spirit and includes -

Bach – Der Geist hilf Handel – Concerto Grosso Op.6 No.7 in B flat 1,2,3 & 5
Morten Lauridsen – Sure On This Shining Night Cavalli – Magnificat a8
Byrd – Laetentur coeli Tallis- Loquebantur variis linguis
Ola Gjeilo – Dark Night of the Soul Boyce – Symphony No.1 in B flat
Monteverdi – Dixit dominus

<http://www.malmesbury.com/component/mtree/organisations/clubs-a-societies/malmesbury-abbey-music-society>

Cirencester Parish Church on 14 March
or **Holy Apostles Church** in Cheltenham on 21 March
The programme will include -

Bach – Der Geist Hilft Handel – Concerto Grosso Op. 6 No. 7 in B flat
Morten Lauridsen – Sure on this Shining Night Cavalli – Magnificat a 8
Monteverdi – Dixit Dominus Ola Gjeilo – Dark Night of the Soul
Boyce – Symphony No. 1 in B flat

Tickets are available online ([Cirencester](#) or [Cheltenham](#)), from Cirencester Tourist Information Office or from Lorna on 01242 603988.

<http://cantores.net/> See Nathalie for more information

St. Paul's Heating

As you will have observed the services have been held in the hall of St Paul's centre for the last couple of weeks where it has been considerably warmer. This was considered the better option as the cost of temporary heating was astronomical and would have completely drained our reserves. The quotes for a replacement heating system are being received, and a decision will be made after careful consideration.

Thank you again for your patience. Diane

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All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to

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(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)