



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church
www.dorcanchurch.org.uk
10th & 17th August, 2014

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SERVICES - 10th August—Trinity 8

St. Paul's

10.00am Holy Communion Stuart Fisher

Sunday Club— (Summer holidays)

St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Worship Barbara Wilcox

Eldene

10.30am Morning Worship Colin Parsons

Paul Taylor is at Coleview this morning

Lectionary Readings

10th August Gen. 37: 1-28 Psalm 105: 1-22 Rom. 10: 5-15 Matt. 14: 22-33

17th August Gen. 45: 1-15 Psalm 133 Rom. 11: 29-32 Matt. 15: 10-28

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.**

SERVICES— 17th August—Trinity 9

St. Paul's

10.00am Morning Worship Paul Tayler

Welcome: Joy & Dennis
Sunday Club: (Summer Holidays)

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Stuart Fisher

Eldene

10.30am Morning Worship Barbara Wilcox

SERVICES— 24th August—Trinity 10

St. Paul's

10.00am Morning Worship Alex Scott

Welcome: Rosemary & Amy, Sunday Club: (Summer Holidays)

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Trudie Wigley

Eldene

10.30am At St. Tim's

Andrew is at Queens Drive this morning

Holiday Club

Just wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped in any way or prayed for the week or encouraged us during holiday club. We had over 60 children come and had loads of fun teaching, singing, making crafts and playing games! Thanks again!
The Mulcocks

Worship Questionnaire—Please collect yours today !

Thank you to all those who have returned their questionnaire. I am hoping for a further 20-40 questionnaires to be completed, so if you haven't yet done so, can I please encourage you to do so. Each voice counts and is important—these responses will help inform the shape of the proposals for our new pattern of worship, to be considered during the consultations on Wed. 24th & Sun 28th Sept.

So please make your views known now through the questionnaire. This includes the important voice of our children and young people.

Thank you for your support. *Andrew*

Mid-week service in August: Our services will continue as follows in August. Please note there is no service the bank holiday week and we will resume with Holy Communion on Tuesday 2nd September, 10am at St Timothy's.

Tues 12 August	10:00 St Timothy's communion	Revd Vicky Fleming
Thurs 21 August	9:30 St Paul's Morning worship	Paul Taylor
w/c 25 th August	No mid-week service	
Tues 2 Sept	10:00 St Timothy's Communion	Revd Trudie Wigley

For your prayers -

- The Palestinian-Israel conflict, the growing humanitarian crisis, and for a lasting ceasefire
- For Christians in Iraq and Canon Andrew White, vicar of Baghdad. That our brothers and sisters may be strong in faith as they live in fear of their lives as they respond to pressure to convert or pay extortionate fines
- For the Bristol Methodist district and Bristol Diocese
- For all our young people who are receiving exam results
- For ourselves, that the quieter summer time may be a time of refreshment and renewal in body, mind and spirit

Reminder that the **next Card Class** is on Monday August 18th at 9.30am.
Money £9 to be paid to me by the 11th August. *Sandra*

10,000 voices and Confidence in God's story:

Over the summer and in the months to come, we are continuing to explore and think about sharing our stories about God in our lives. Many of you will have already taken a postcard to help you do this. Another batch have arrived so please do take one (or ten!) These have 2 additional boxes on the back to indicate how you might go about posting it on the 10k.org website if you would like to do so.

Do think and pray about writing your story down and to help encourage each other why don't you bring your completed postcards to our united service on 31st August? We can pray over them together, asking for opportunities to tell our story. If you feel you would like to, there will be an opportunity to join others by pinning it on one of three boards. These will then be taken back to our respective centres as an encouragement to us all to add to them and to remind ourselves that each one of our voices are seeds to be sown over the months ahead.

I pray that each one of us will use this opportunity to think about our unique story of God in our lives.

Trudie

Harnhill Centre

Sat 16th August 10am - 4pm £20

Healing day led by 'the team'

Explanatory talks; time aside for thought & prayer interacting with God. Not a day for in depth prayer ministry but the Team will pray briefly for those who wish to receive.

Sat 20th September 10am - 4pm £25

'Give me an Undivided Heart' Jen Larcombe

There will be a men's day Sat 11th October

For all enquiries, further information & booking

Tel: Harnhill Office 01285 850283

Tuesday cell group is meeting for prayer only on 12th and 26th August, and then restarting proper on Tuesday 16th September.

Di Lane

FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sun 31st August:

Afternoon: Service to mark end of Swindon & Marlborough Circuit

Sun 7th Sept :

Afternoon: launch of new North Wiltshire Circuit and Welcome to Revd Debbie Hodgson

Fri 13th Sept:

Archbishop visiting Swindon. 9:30-10:30 at Lydiard House and St Marys church, opening the Heritage weekend and praying off the Ride+Striders. Open event and all welcome.

Wed 24th September:

Worship & mission questionnaire consultation for those unable to make Sunday 28th September

Saturday 20th September:

All day: Bristol diocese synod & Bristol District Synod

Sunday 28th September:

United service at 10am, followed by whole church consultation on worship & mission questionnaire and shared lunch. Facilitated by The Revd Chris Dobson.

Tues 30th Sept:

“Be the Link”. Bristol diocese’s free interactive day of workshops and advice for anyone interested in exploring how churches can serve their local schools. At Rodbourne Cheney, Swindon

Sun 5th October:

Dorcan’s Harvest celebrations

Sat 11th October:

“One Step Beyond”. Bristol and Bath & Wells diocese hosting a youth and children’s conference.

Sat 18th October: Parish Officer Training: making the most of all God’s gifts
A day to equip us all: churchwardens, treasurers, PCC secretaries, administrators and others. At Sheldon School, Chippenham SN14 6HJ. See Diocesan website.

Mon 13th July: very advanced warning!

Final Circuit Service of the Swindon & Marlborough Circuit Sunday 31st August

This will be a service 'round the circuit' and it is hoped you will come to the service nearer you and the more adventurous will travel to share in the services 'round the circuit'. As you can see, each service is half an hour and there is a space between to travel.

The itinerary is:

3.00-3.30—Christchurch, Marlborough.

4.00-4.30—Bath Road

4.30-5.30—Faith tea.

6.00-6.30—St. Andrews

7.00-7.30—Queens Drive

Please join us as and when and where you can to celebrate the past and journey to the future.

Revd. Mark Barrett

Financial budgeting for 2015:

We are currently looking at drawing up a financial budget plan for 2015.

This will be something that we will refine over time, but to start us off please would all church groups and committees consider what funding they would like to request for 2015 in light of their future plans so that we can start looking at the numbers?

It would also be helpful to have an idea of planned expenditure for the rest of 2014.

Please could you submit your thoughts and figures to Tony Prichard or Trudie Wigley.

Thank you for your help as we think about the stewardship of the financial resources that God has given us to serve this community.

St. Paul's Church Centre.

The role of caretaker has become vacant and we are looking for someone for approx. 4.50 hours per week, who can ensure the property is maintained and secure, and let in occasional users.

Do you know anyone this would suit?

Please contact Tania for further details. (07939939893)

Hannah Mulcock's Leadership Training with Scripture Union:

We are delighted that Hannah is starting a year long leadership training course with Scripture Union, developing gifts and exploring a calling to working with children, young people and families. This is a full time course on which Hannah spends 2 days with Scripture Union, 2 days with in:School and 2 days in Dorcan.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Hannah, and also for us as she both serves and develops her leadership skills within the church family.

Within Dorcan, Hannah will be focusing on working with our children and young people and we look forward to her leadership and ideas as we move forward.

ECC have agreed to support Hannah financially with a proportion of the fees for the course, and she still has around £500 to raise. Please do support Hannah in her fund raising activities, and also in praying for her as she embarks on this course.

It is an exciting time ahead for both Hannah and for Dorcan Church.

St. Paul's Rota

Many thanks to those who volunteer for church duties, it is greatly appreciated.

I shall soon be working on the next rota (Sept - Nov) - if there are any dates you would be unavailable, please let me know.

Diane 336420

**Archbishop preaching at Bristol Cathedral
Sunday 14th September at 10.30am**

Each parish is being given 4 tickets for those who wish to attend the Eucharist celebration at Bristol Cathedral at which ++Justin Welby will be preaching.

If you would like to go to this, please let Trudie Wigley know by Monday 1st September, and they will be allocated by “names in a hat” - seems the fairest way to do it!

It is hoped that his sermon will be recorded, enabling it to be shared in churches across the diocese on Sunday 21st September, and we will aim to do this across all three centres in Dorcan on that day.

The Christmas Fayre has been an excellent fund raiser, and a lovely way of meeting folk within the parish. This year it will be held on Saturday 29th November, and I shall be hosting a coffee morning on Saturday 6th September 10am at St Paul’s to share ideas, discuss new ones etc.

Please, please come along, it is such a wonderful opportunity to serve the community, and have fun and really start the Advent season with a bang.

Diane 336420

THE FRIDAY CLUB—dates from September as follows:-
September **12th** - (please note this date has had to be changed)
October 17th
November 21st
December 19th All are welcome to join us.

As in past years during the summer holidays, St. Paul’s will only have one morning service at **10.00am** from the 27th July until the end of August.

Notices will be printed fortnightly from today on the 24th August, and 7th Sept. after which they will continue weekly.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by Thursday 21st August

Tel: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk

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