



St. Paul's Covingham
 St. Timothy's, Liden
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*Transforming lives and communities
 Knowing Jesus and making Him known*



Psalms 148:3

**Services - 13th May - Sunday after Ascension Day
 Christian Aid week and Thy Kingdom Come**

St. Paul's

8.45am Holy Communion Revd Rob Smith & Revd Trudie Wigley

10.30am All Age Worship Neil Marshall

Welcome: *Vybe/Ignite/SC*, Teas: *Hazel & Alison*,
 Ignite: */Sunday Club:/Creche: None*

6.30pm Archdeacon visitation Ven. Christine Froude

St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Worship Paul Taylor

This morning, Andrew Wigley is at Immanuel URC for the confirmation service where he will be the Methodist confirming minister on behalf of the Old Town Partnership.

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.**

AGM papers:

Thank you for your support in attending the Dorcan Church AGM last Sunday. Electronic copies of the minutes from the meeting, the 2017 annual report and the leadership report have been emailed out, and hard copies are available today in both centres. Whilst the new ECC briefly met last week, we will share full details of assigned officer positions at our next full meeting later this month.

What's on next week - CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Monday 14th May	All day 7:30pm	Deanery clergy residential Parenting teenagers course, St Paul's
Tuesday 15th May	All Day 9.00am Lunchtime	Deanery clergy residential Morning Prayers - St. Paul's meeting room Dorcan Academy Christian Union
Wednesday 16th May	8.45am 9.00am 1.30pm	Tea & Toast, St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's
Thursday 17th May	9.30am 8-9.00pm	Holy Communion, St. Tim's Footie at Dorcan Leisure Centre, followed by the Messenger

Services - 20th May - Pentecost and Thy Kingdom Come**St. Paul's**

10.30am Morning Worship Rev'd Rob Smith

Welcome: *Rosemary & Amy*, Teas: *Rosemary & Amy*
Ignite: *Debbie, Clare Amber*, Sunday Club: *Nathalie, Alison*, Creche: *None*

4.00pm Messy Church The Team !

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Rev'd Trudie Wigley

TODAY - Archdeacon's visitation:

Each year in May the Archdeacon visits each Anglican deanery and formally admits Churchwardens to their legal office. This year St Paul's is hosting the service later this afternoon.

Diane Killick was elected as the Churchwarden for The Dorcan Church so please do come and support and encourage her as she takes up this office for another year.

It is also Archdeacon Christine's last visitation before her retirement in September. We look forward to welcoming the deanery to Dorcan Church at St Paul's.

Christian Aid week:

This year we are supporting Christian Aid in two ways.

- *Breakfast last week at St Paul's - thank you Ignite!*
A big thank you to our fabulous young people who put on a lovely breakfast last week in aid of Christian Aid. They raised an amazing £200 which will be sent to Christian Aid. Thank you Ignite!
- *Offering today:* At our services today there will be opportunity to make a retiring offering for the work of Christian Aid.

With thanks for your support to Christian Aid

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Christian Aid Breakfast. Ignite raised the magnificent sum of £200.00! - thanks also to all our extra helpers with the washing up!!

Ignite

Gift Day Offering - a MASSIVE thank you.

Our offering totaled £1,700 for which we give thanks. This is a great encouragement and will support the whole church, and enables us to both maintain, and further develop the mission of church across both centres.

So a big thank you for your offering in recognition of God's faithfulness and generosity which supports His church in this place.

Thank you!

As mentioned at our AGM our grateful thanks to everyone who helps keep St. Paul's 'ticking'. Welcomers, Cleaners, Refreshment makers, Washing upers, Readers, and Intercessionary prayers.

All such an important part of our Church, and we need MORE !!!

Please, prayerfully consider what you could do, and come and have a chat.

Diane



Join the

Global Wave

**of Prayer
10-20th May 2018
Ascension to Pentecost**

Our first event was yesterday with our
Church family afternoon at Barbury Castle.

Where we prayed for Swindon from the
Heights of the hill but -

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN IN
THE WEAVE OF PRAYER BY:
**Signing up to a daily email and
Joining with others across the world**

Or take a look at <http://thykingdomcome.global>
for ideas of how to pray, including signing up to a daily
prayer email and video which is also available
on google play and the app store.

Tuesday 15th May 9am Morning Prayer at St. Paul's
Come and join us for our regular weekly prayers.

Sunday 20th May 4pm Messy Church at St. Paul's
We will be exploring what prayer is
and different ways to pray.

Come and join us for some fun and creative ideas
As we explore prayer, followed by fellowship over supper

#Pledge2Pray

Confirmation - have you thought of being confirmed?

On Sunday 17th June at 4pm, we shall be hosting the ecumenical confirmation service, and our friends from the West Swindon Partnership will be joining us. Confirmation is an important part in our Christian journey and can take on a different significance to different people – for some confirmation is a way of affirming their faith for themselves which was promised on their behalf when they were baptized as infants; for others it is part of the process of baptism when older; for some they approach it as the time they would like to start sharing in communion, and for others it marks their commitment to membership of the church and particularly denomination. And for many people it is a combination of all these and more!

Is confirmation something you might like to consider as part of your Christian journey?

Or do you know someone you would like to encourage to think about taking this next step? Please do think and pray about the possibility of confirmation, and if you would like to find out more and what it's all about then please do speak with any member of the ministry team.

We'd love to talk with you in confidence and explore further.

Trudie

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by **Wednesday 16th May**. Tel 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk Thank you.
Please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email