



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

23rd May 2021 – Pentecost



Please note: change of service at St. Paul's

St. Paul's	10.30am	Morning Worship	Neil Marshall
St. Timothy's	10.30am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler

We will be live-streaming the service on the Facebook page
"Dorcan Church Notice Board" which you can find at:

<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulssttimothysswindon/>

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

Welcome to the Dorcan Church.

Services - Sunday 30th May 2021

St. Paul's	10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott
St. Timothy's	10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev. Stuart Fisher

Church Notices.

We are aware that some people are unable to receive Church Notices by email, and we hope to be able to get hard copies to them in the future.

If you receive yours electronically, and know of someone who can't, please help, where you can, by making a copy for them. (Some of you may well be doing this already, Thank you, *John Davidson*)

COVID-19 Advice on the Conduct of Public Worship

On the 19th May, the governing body of the Church of England updated their policy on advice for Public worship, in regards to the government opening Step 3 of the 4 step programme out of Lockdown. **For *The Dorcan Church*, this means that there are NO CHANGES and ALL current safety measures are to remain in place.** Despite a relaxation of rules in homes and in some public spaces, those attending public worship **MUST NOT**, congregate in larger groups, share the Peace (by hugging) or greet each other in this way.

Other denominations who use Church of England buildings to meet for worship are asked to adhere to the same advice.

Situations Vacant

Please Help if you can

As St Pauls Centre, starts to see an increase in use, as we are allowed to relax restrictions, there is a requirement for volunteers, to open and close the centre for hirers, could you help with this by going on a monthly Rota, please contact Cheryl hall.bookings@dorcanchurch.org.uk, or speak to John or Tony

We are now trying to repurpose the room formerly known as the Library, into a space that can be let, to users, and hope to have new flooring installed.

We also need to decorate, could you help, with preparation? We need to fill redundant holes, etc prior to decorating, could you spare an hour or so, during the day, or evening, please see Tony or John.

Sunday Services

We still require volunteers to assist, at Services operating the laptop, could you go on a rota see John or Nathalie.

We also need people to help on a rota streaming the weekly service to those unable to attend in person, (training will be given) please see Nicki Clinch.

Please prayerfully consider this.

John Davidson

We are re-starting the '**Monday Working Party**' from this Monday 24th May at 9.00 am. The idea is to have a regular slot each week when a few people working together can achieve a lot. To start we are clearing the Old Library walls, doors and windows of assorted staples, blue tack, sellotape etc. and filling holes where items have been removed. Once this is done we can think about re-painting.

Tony Prichard

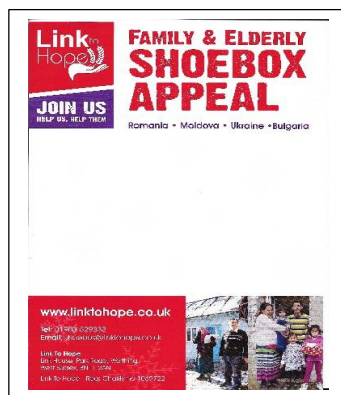
The Dorcan church is once again supporting **Link to Hope shoebox appeal** this year. If you would like to join us by filling a/some shoebox/s please contact me.

E-mail – paultayler1@hotmail.co.uk.

Or text, or whatsapp. 07756379241.

I will then send you the leaflets once Link to Hope send them.

I hope this is not too early, but as we can now enter shops, items for the shoebox maybe easier to find. Of course, it is never too early to start knitting or looking for cheap toiletries.



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1. We want everyone to receive a fun and useful box of **new and unused** gifts so **every** shoebox should contain all items in this blue box.

<input type="checkbox"/> Gloves or Scarf or Hat (new or knitted)	<input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrush & Toothpaste
<input type="checkbox"/> Sweets or Chocolates (BB June 2022 EU Origin)	<input type="checkbox"/> Candles & Holders*
<input type="checkbox"/> Soap & Flannel	<input type="checkbox"/> Small Games (Travel Size Draughts/Dominoes/ Playing Cards)

*Holder is for safety and stability

2. Then please **ADD 5 or more items** (at least one of each item) from the **Red Box** for a **Family Shoebox** **OR** from the **Purple Box** to make a **Unisex Elderly Shoebox**.

FAMILY

- Colouring Pads (A5)
- Crayons/Pencils (with rubber and sharpener)
- Small Toys (yo-yo, skipping rope, toy cars)
- Soft toy/teddy (with CE label)
- Tape Measure/DIY Tool
- Head Scarf (lightweight)
- Shampoo (max 300ml)
- Solar-Powered Calculator
- Safety Razors
- Hairbrush/Comb
- Other Gifts
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OR

ELDERLY (UNISEX)

- Reading Glasses/Magnifier
- Mug/Wooden Spoon/Cutlery
- Sensory Item (eg Lavender Bag)
- Hot Water Bottle
- Work Gloves
- Pen/Paper
- Socks/Tights (NEW)
- Wind-Up Radio/Torch
- Shampoo (max 300ml)
- Scissors/Nail Clippers
- Safety Razors
- Other Gifts
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PLEASE TRY TO REDUCE THE PACKAGING YOU PUT IN YOUR SHOEBOX

May I thank you for your support. Looking forward to meeting you again.
Paul. Area receiving coordinator, the Dorcan church.



We are currently looking at bringing our Youth and children's groups back in person but in order to do this we need more helpers.

Our children and Young People are amazing and great fun to be with. At the moment we are looking for Sunday mornings Leaders/helpers for our younger children and Sunday eve/mid-week for our teenagers. We are also looking for Youth and Junior club leaders for mid-week. Could this be you? Please give this prayer and thought we would love you to join us!!

We are holding a Zoom meeting on Wednesday 26th May at 7pm for all current and potential helpers/leaders of all Children and Youth work across both centres, the link will appear on the Facebook page or if you let me know your email address, I can email it to you. We will be looking at putting some events in place this side of the summer holidays and looking at what the future of our Children and Youthwork might look like. Thanks *Deb*

Annual Gift Day

Thank you very much for your generosity, the total raised so far is £3610, absolutely fantastic.

Many thanks. *John Davidson*



We are pleased to announce that the Bristol Cathedral Poetry Competition 2021 is now open for entries.

The theme is 'Poetry and Faith': Conversations on diversity There are three age categories: 16-25; 26-65; 66+

The judges' panel of established Bristol-based spoken and page poets will be introduced during the submissions window. <https://bristol-cathedral.co.uk/news/bristol-cathedral-poetry-competition-launches>

Deadline for all entries: Wednesday 30 June at 5.00pm GMT

**Living in Love and Faith (LLF) Half Day introduction Conference;
Diocese of Bristol: Events and Training; Saturday 22 May 2021
09:30 – 13:30 online only.**

<https://www.bristol.anglican.org/transformingchurch/living-in-love-faith/>

A half-day conferences to formally introduce our collective engagement with LLF as a diocese. Led by the Revd Dr Eeva John, the Church of England's Enabling Officer for LLF, and her team and open to the whole people of God. This conference will take place over Zoom and the event login will be sent to attendees nearer the date. Bookings will close Fri 21 May at 6.55pm to give time for the login details to be sent out prior to the event.

Book using this link;

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/living-in-love-and-faith-llf-half-day-conference-tickets-137289445427?aff=erelpanelorg>

Living in Love and Faith (LLF) Diocese of Bristol: Next Steps.

Commissioned and led by the Bishops of the Church of England, **Living in Love and Faith (LLF)** is about encouraging the whole church to think more deeply about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage in the bigger context of being human. It is an invitation to people, whatever their background and experience, to think more deeply about what it means to be human and to live in love and faith together. It's about understanding different perspectives and each other better. We hope it will change the way people relate to, understand and love each other in the church, even when we disagree. **In our local context, it is about committing to a five-week or five-session course designed to help people to listen and learn together.** If you would like to engage with this further, after this introduction session, we will be taking it forward locally; please let Rev Stuart Fisher know your interest so that we can buy enough course packs for everyone. **We hope face-to-face small group(s) can also be arranged for those who do not use 'Zoom' or the internet.**

Prayer Request Rota

I would like to inform members of the Dorcan Church that as of Friday 21st I will no longer be doing the Prayer request rota. Folk need to contact Barbara Wilcox: I have handed it over to her.

Margaret

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Wednesday 26th May
Tel: 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk. Thank you.
Please let me know if any others would like to receive notices by email.