



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

Bible verse for September

*neither height  
NOR DEPTH  
NOR ANYTHING ELSE  
IN ALL creation  
WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE  
US FROM THE love OF GOD  
THAT IS IN  
CHRIST Jesus OUR LORD*

ROMANS 8:39, NIV

**Services 29th September 2019 - 15th Sunday after Trinity**

**St. Paul's**

8.45am Holy Communion Rev'd Stuart Fisher

10.30am Morning Worship Sue Morgans

Welcome: *John & Joan*, Teas: *Sam & Janice*, Sparks: *tMary & Niki*, Creche: *none*

**St. Tim's**

10.30am All Age Harvest - Parade Rev'd Rob Smith

**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.**

*At St Tim's on 8<sup>th</sup> Sept, we explored  
**Jeremiah 18, about the potter and the clay.....**  
 For those who missed it we will be repeating much  
 of this at St Pauls 10.30 service on 29<sup>th</sup> Sept.  
 Sue*

What's on this week -		
Monday 30th September	10.00am 2.00pm	House Group (Colleen Wiseman) House Group (Alex Scott)
Tuesday 1st October	9.00am 10.00am 1.00pm 7.00pm  7.30pm	Morning prayer at St Paul's Morning prayers at St. Tim's Christian Union, Dorcan Academy Holy Habits Puddings & Ponderings at St. Tim's House Group (Dianne Lane)
Wednesday 2nd October	8.45am 9.00am 1.15pm 7.00pm	Tea & Toast, St Tim's Tiny Tots, St Paul's Tiny Tots St. Tim's Mid-week Youth Group
Thursday 3rd October	9.30am 8.00pm	Mid-week communion, St Tim's Footie at Dorcan Leisure centre followed by the Messenger
Friday 4th October	12.30pm	St. Paul's weekly office meeting.
Saturday 5th October	10.00- 12.30pm	Autumn Tidy Up - St. Paul's

### **SERVICES - 6th October 2019 - 16th Sunday after Trinity**

#### **St. Paul's**

10.30am      United Holy Communion      Rev'd Andrew Wigley

Welcome: *tbc*, Teas: *Jean & Joan*, Sparks: *Deb & Helen*, Creche: *Jo & Anna*

**Holy Habits Pudding and Ponderings – 1st October 7pm:** Following feedback on our last evening, we will be meeting again to explore the next two Holy Habits from November – February 2020 which are “Gladness and Generosity” and “Service”. Even if puddings aren’t your thing, do come and enjoy the fellowship together and be a part of shaping our future mission and ministry at Dorcan.

**Thank you everyone who signed up for duties during September.**

The October rota is now in St Pauls; please prayerfully consider what and where you could assist.

If this is something you have not considered previously, please do think about giving it a go !!

Something for everyone.

*Diane*

**Autumn Tidy UP**

St Paul’s Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> 10.00 - 12.30

Just to give a little extra TLC before winter sets in

Hope you can make it. *Diane*

**If any of our young people want to get confirmed** in November then could they please let Rob/Deb know asap as we will be starting classes shortly . If you are not sure come along anyway and find out for yourself what its all about, food and drink will be available.

**Rob is available** on Mondays 10:30 -13:00 at St Paul's, for a chat or a listening ear.

**WEDNESDAY CHURCH!** - Yes that's right, during the middle of the week we open our doors to welcome lots of people from the community into Church at both St Paul's and St Tims through Tiny Tots, tea and toast, Blaze and Youth Club.

We have food, fellowship, songs, bible stories, talks, chats, games and lots of fun, so yes please keep praying for Sunday's and Wednesday church here at the Dorcan church!

Thanks to those who came to **Christmas Unwrapped** meeting on Tuesday. The next meeting will be on Thursday November 7th, at St Paul's 10.30 am. Anyone who would like to be involved in any way or find out more will be very welcome!

Thanks. Sue and the Team

**Christmas Fayre (30th November)**

I am collecting soft toys again this year for the teddy tombola, if you have any to donate please bring them along to St Paul's any Wednesday morning from 8/11 during the Tiny Tots session. Thank you, *Brenda Fisher*

## **Edgehill Care Home visits**

After a recent visit to Edgehill and in discussion with the care assistants, there is a need for help if anyone feels that they can offer some time to play 'board games' with some of the residents? They could also do with some volunteer gardeners if anyone is interested – perhaps as a group?

If you feel that your group or if you could help by visiting them please have a conversation with Rev Stuart, who is trying to get some interest on their behalf at the moment.

If this is something you feel you could be a part of but would need transport, don't let that put you off; We will also be offering 'regular' Holy Communion services at Edgehill again in the near future and volunteers to visit with the ministry team would be welcomed. Could you offer to be part of this community outreach.

Please speak to Stuart or any of the ordained ministry team.

Thank you.

## **Prospect does Strictly at St Paul's**

Saturday 9th. November 4.30.pm

Come and see a demonstration of a 'Strictly' dance routine, share tea and cakes, and try your own routine.

50/50 donations shared between Prospect Foundation and The Dorcan Church.

Jo & Andy have been practising for Prospect does Strictly and would like to share their experience with you.

Details from  
Tony Prichard 01792 520734  
or e-mail [tony@dorcan-church.org.uk](mailto:tony@dorcan-church.org.uk)



## **KNIT & CHAT**

Can you, do you, or would you knit?  
Then join Knit & Chat.

**Next meeting - Monday 7th October.**

Knit & Chat started at Queen's Drive Methodist Church. We started knitting simple squares which were taken to Africa to be sewn into blankets. We continued knitting blankets when we first met in George Hall Court when the church at Queen's Drive closed. The blankets, along with hats, scarves, gloves and anything else we make, are now donated to homeless charities in Swindon.

We are thrilled that The Dorcan Church have offered us accommodation at St Timothy's church Liden, and would welcome new members to join our small group. We meet on the first Monday of each month and would love you to come and knit & chat with us from 2-4pm. If you have size 4 needles and some double knitting wool, brilliant, but don't worry, just bring yourself!!! Donations of wool would be very welcome if you're not able to join us.

*Brenda Phillips, (member attending St Tim's)*

**Please note** that the Church/Centre Office at St Paul's has been moved to the Vestry and Jackie Hancock and Chris Smith will now be based there.

Their contact details will remain the same. If you wish to hold a meeting in the vestry please book via the online system.

*Jackie*

**Dates for your diary as at October 2019**

*Harvest dates*

*Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September, St Tim's*

All-Age parade service

*Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October, St Paul's*

8:45am Communion

10:30am All-Age led by our young people

*Tuesday 1st October*

7pm at St Tim's

Holy Habits Pudding and Ponderings

*Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October*

Sunday School for All "*Holy Habit: Fellowship*"

With special visitors from Uganda

to mark 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Diocesan link

Fellowship over Breakfast beforehand

*Saturday 7th March 2020*

Diocesan Synod 9.30am Holy Trinity, Bradley Stoke

*Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020*

United service at St Paul's at 10am, followed by

Dorcan Church Annual Meeting at 10:30am

*Saturday 6th June 2020*

Diocesan Synod 9.30am Holy Trinity, Bradley Stoke

*Saturday 14th November 2020*

Diocesan Synod 9.30am Venue TBC (full day)

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

Anna Newman by **Wednesday 2nd October** Tel 695698

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**Please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email**