



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



**SERVICES - Sunday 23rd January 2022 Covenant Sunday
And ECO church**

St. Paul's

10.30am	Communion	Revd Trudie Wigley Deacon Stephen Roe
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St. Tim's

10.30am	Communion	Revd Stuart Fisher
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**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 - Sunday 30th January 2022- Presentation of Christ		
St. Paul's		
08:45 am		Paul Tayler
10:30 am		Sue Morgans
St. Tim's		
10.30am	No Service	

What's on this week.		
Wednesday 26th January 2022	St Paul's St Tim's	Tiny Tots 1pm –3pm Tiny Tots 1.15pm— 2:45pm

Update on Covid Measures – and thank you!

First of all, thank you for your understanding and support in moving on-line for Sunday 2nd. January. Whilst additional Covid measure never materialised in England, unlike the other three nations, your leadership was appreciative of planning this space so they could have paused reacting to any changes until the New year.

The good news is that we are resuming worship in person from this Sunday – 9th January – with our existing Covid measures remaining in place, details reproduced below. A reminder that as the doors will be open to the outside it will be colder inside over the next few weeks when we gather so please do bring your winter woollies and your favourite blanket if you get cold knees! We would also ask that, where possible, you undertake a lateral flow test before attending worship as an additional step.

Thank you for your support in enabling us to worship together safely and if you have any questions or concerns please do speak to a member of the Standing Committee. Thank you.

Practicalities when gathering

The wearing of masks is a legal requirement unless exempt as per government guidelines. Please do therefore wear masks, including when singing;

Doors to the outside will be open in both centers for ventilation as good air flow is a significant mitigator in the transmission of Covid. We do realize that this means that heated warm air will flow out of our buildings and it may be a little more breezy, therefore you may wish to bring an extra jumper and maybe a blanket for your knees!

At St Paul's the screens will be opened once more and rows of chairs spaced out into the hall. The printed x and Ö signs will be available for you to place next to you to indicate whether you are happy or not for people to sit next to you;

Update on Covid Measures cont...

At St Tim's, some chairs will be removed to aid distancing, with a maximum of 40 people in the chapel;

In both centers signing in and/or QR codes will continue to be used

If there is the capacity and energy amongst those willing to serve tea and coffee, then refreshments may be offered after services. However, we all need to be mindful of proximity to others as we talk, particularly as we need to take masks off to drink and eat.

Our employees – Jenny and Maggie

Maggie, our Church administrator, will continue to be in the office for her usual hours. Jenny, our centre manager, will be working elsewhere for some of the week and there will no longer be any overlap where they are both in the office. If you come into the centre to see them, we ask that you wear a mask, knock on the office door and wait to be either invited in, or asked by them to meet in a more open space.

Standing Committee

An Inspirational Woman

Janet Martin, a long time member of the Dorcan church has written a book *An Inspirational woman*—is being published soon with Olympia publishers London. It is a true life story and challenges of living with Multiple Sclerosis (MS).

Janet would like her details be given out to church members. Anyone who would like to call or drop her a line can do so

Mrs Jan Martin, at The Timers, 23 Plas Gwyn Road, Penygroes, Carmarthenshire SA14 7RY 3 miles from Leekes at Crosshands

Church Links

One of the important pastoral roles in the Church is that of Church Links, who often act as a first point of contact for members of the congregation. In brief, each Church Link has a list of people, and their role is to keep in touch with those on their list, often informally at Church, but also to make contact by phone or email if they do not see them for a while, passing on any concerns as appropriate. We are extremely grateful to those who undertake this role so faithfully, but need some others to assist in this vital work. If you feel that God may be calling you to this, or would like to know more, please get in touch with either me or Barbara Wilcox, and we would be pleased to have a chat with you about it.

Stephen Roe

Prayer Board

As you may know, there is a Prayer Board at St Paul's (on the wall to the left as you enter the Worship Area), and you are invited to put requests for prayer on it.

Please ensure that you have the appropriate permission before putting up any requests, in particular if you mention anyone's name. Please also include your name and the date you put up the request.

Prayers will be left for two weeks before being removed in order to keep the board up to date, if prayer is still needed please use another piece of paper and repeat the request.

General prayers will be offered in worship for the specific prayers on the board, but names will not be mentioned at the moment as the worship is live streamed and then available on the web.

And don't forget, there is also a board for answers to prayer, please use this too.

Stephen

ECO Tip 5

Despite the vicar's insistence that pressure cookers are only for over cooking Brussel Sprouts, they're a great way of cooking things much faster than alternatives, therefore saving money on fuel. Potatoes and stews in less than an hour, and in particular, they are really good at cooking up pulses quickly and easily. Pulses are a great eco protein, cheap, and very healthy. Even cheaper if you buy them dried. With most pulses you need to soak, but soaking starting with boiling water means you only need to soak for an hour, not overnight. Then the pressure cooker makes short work even of chick-peas. If you cook up too many, freeze flat in a plastic bag or similar, when frozen separate them all and then take out a handful at a time. Don't forget to wash and reuse the plastic bags. Lentils of course don't need soaking or precooking. Just a handful of orange lentils in your bolognese and you make it cheaper and healthier, and no one will notice.

Safeguarding and DBS Update

Just to make you aware the rules have changed and from now DBS's have to be renewed every 3 years (and not 5).

This means I will be in touch with many of you over the next few weeks to renew.

If circumstances have changed and you no longer volunteer please let me know when you receive the email.

Thank you
Sue

ECO CHURCH

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Last November the COP 26 Climate Conference brought home to all of us the urgency of the crisis Climate Change is causing. It showed us how we all need to help to prevent climate change and the damage to our world through pollution.

The Dorcan Church needs to act as well. We need to make our church buildings and land more environmentally friendly. We as a community should consider what more we can do together and individually.

In order to help us we have joined a scheme called Eco Church. This scheme allows us to identify what we are already doing, what else we can do and provides resources to do more.

We will as a church be launching the scheme on Sunday 23rd January 2022.

There will be more information in the notices, church website and Facebook. You can also find out more on the Eco Church Website or speak to Neil Marshall who is coordinating Eco Church.

Children and Young People's work is back - many thanks to all involved

If anyone else would like to help out please talk to Deb

Sundays

Week 1 of the month **Breakfast Club** – this is for ages 4 -13. Breakfast will be served at 10am followed by Bible stories, crafts, games and quizzes. Finished approx. 11.50am

Vybe for ages 14+ 6.30 -8.30pm - Bible study, discussion, games, quizzes etc

Week 2 – All age service – open to all

Week 3 – **Ignite/Sparks** for all youngsters aged 4-13 – Bible stories, quizzes games etc 10.30 am -11.30am

Vybe 6.30pm -8.30pm as week 1

Week 4 – **Messy Church** 4pm – 6pm open to everyone young – old. Tea (food and drink) is provided and activities for all to join in whilst discovering more about the Christian faith.

Masks will need to be worn by all ages 11+ except those who are exempt and please can all Vybe members please LFT before they come?

(Please note Jan has 5 Sundays but there will be no Children's work on that day but all are welcome to the 10.30 am Church service.)

Wednesdays

Week 1 and week 3 of the month – **Blaze** for ages 7-11 (year 2 to 6) 6pm – 7.30pm – games, crafts activities and hot chocolate!! Tuck shop will not yet be open but please bring £1 for subs and 50p for sweets etc which will be given to the youngsters in a Covid safety way!

Youth Club for years 7+ activities and tuck shop etc as above. Subs £1 and 50p for tuck. Time 7.30pm – 9pm

All activities will be hosted at St Paul's centre.

Another Panto Opportunity!

Starring Isla Marshall, and Linus and Mike Davies.



WBLOS PANTOMIME 2022
THE SNOW QUEEN
BY ALAN P FRAYN
RWB MEMORIAL HALL
28TH - 30TH JANUARY
FRIDAY & SATURDAY EVENING: 7.30PM
SATURDAY MATINEE: 2PM SUNDAY: 4PM
DOORS OPEN 30 MINUTES BEFORE PERFORMANCE
TICKETS FROM RWB POST OFFICE OR WWW.TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/WBLOS
WWW.WBLOS.ORG.UK @WBLOS

Tickets are £10 (Concessions £9)



**Coffee Morning
@ St Paul's Church
Tuesday Mornings
from 10.30 – 12 noon**

Come and support this
community outreach initiative.

**- TEA – COFFEE – CAKE - BISCUITS - JUICE
On Your Own? Like some company?
Come and get to know us !**

*Cid's Café is a Church in Dorcan
initiative serving the community*

NOTICES

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 25th January** to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk
Thank you.

These notices are also available on-line at www.dorcanchurch.org.uk/latest_notices
Previous editions are also available at: [Dorcan Church Weekly Notices](#)



You will have noticed we no longer pass the offering basket round. Scan this QR code with your mobile phone to make your offering instead.
Tony Prichard and the Finance Sub Committee.