

Swindon Half Marathon - 9th October

Chris and Peter Sharp are running in memory of their dad Nigel. They are raising money for the Thamesdown Hydrotherapy Pool, where Nigel received a lot of help. Please take a look at the webpage below which gives more details and, if you are able, please make a small donation to swell the funds!.

Link to the webpage<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/sharpyandsharpy>

LADIES

THEY ARE BACK !!!!! ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE GREAT SAVINGS AND HAVE A GOOD TIME

Travelling Trends fashion show TUESDAY October 11th
Doors open 7pm Show starts at 7.30pm. At St. Paul's Church Centre.
Admission by ticket £5.00 from Diane Killick and church wardens.
Bring your friends, neighbours, family, enjoy a fun evening
and help raise much needed funds. Diane K. 336420

HALLELUJAH !

AN EVENING OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP

Saturday October 15th at 7.30pm at St. Paul's Church Centre

To be followed by Light Refreshments about 9.00pm

GUEST SPEAKER - Malcolm Macqueen from Assemblies of God Church

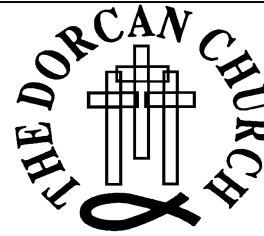
MUSIC - Stratton Methodist Church Music Group

Contact: Colin (692004)

Pray for Schools – 7th November

Please join in praying for our local primary and secondary schools, and supporting students and staff. All are welcome to the prayer and commissioning event 7.30 – 9.30pm on Monday 7th November at Gorse Hill Baptist Church, Cricklade Road, SN2 1AA. As well as praying and hearing about the work of some local schools ministries, Bishop Lee Rayfield will be joining us as we commission workers and volunteers from local churches and organisations for all their work in this coming year.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Thursday 6th October
Telephone: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk
(please let me know if you would like notices by email)



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church
www.dorcanchurch.org.uk
2nd October, 2011

Staff Team:

Rev. Tony Knapp

Tel: 525130

Rev. Beth Brown

Tel: 826444

Rev. Andrew Wigley

Tel: 523810

*Tony & Beth both have Fridays off - Andrew has Tuesdays and Saturdays off.
Please avoid contacting them at these times if possible.*

SERVICES - 2nd October

St. Paul's

8.45am	Harvest Festival with Holy Communion	Andrew Wigley and Tony Knapp
10.30am	Harvest Festival Parade	Andrew Wigley

St Tim's

10.30am	Holy Communion with Baptism	Beth Brown
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Eldene

10.30am	Harvest Festival	Stuart Fisher
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Refreshments are served after the 10.30am services - please stay if you can.

Lectionary	Exodus 20: 1-20	Philip 3: 4b-14
Readings - 2nd October	Psalm 19	Matt 21: 33-46

Prayer Initiative.

For the next few weeks we will be praying for the residents of Magpie Lane, Osprey Close and The Owlets.

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.

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St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp
10.30am	Baptism	Beth Brown
<i>Welcome: Jenny & Bob P., Teas: Margaret & Ray H., Crèche: Helen Newman</i>		
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Harvest Festival/Parade	Tony Knapp
Eldene		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Edward Pilkington
NEXT WEEK		
Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.		
Mon. 3rd Oct.	2-4pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes Fellowship & Bible Study at Thorne Road
Tues. 4th Oct.	1.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Cell Group at Fitzmaurice Close. Church Council Meeting - St. Tim's
Wed. 5th Oct.	10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell group at Tregantle Walk.
Thurs. 6th Oct.	10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 7.00pm	Holy Communion at St. Paul's Cell Group at Falconscroft, Covingham Cell Group - Austen Cresc. Liden Cell Group - Sutton Road, Eldene Cell Group help at Food Bank (instead of at Sedgebrook, Liden)
HARVEST FESTIVALS - today at St. Paul's and Eldene: 9th Oct. at St. Tim's. We will be celebrating Harvest at the Dorcan Church, thanking God for his goodness to us. If you wish to bring HARVEST GIFTS, they will be donated as in previous years - Tins and packets will be shared between the Food Bank, Broadgreen Breakfast Club, and the Filling Station; fresh produce will be given to the Women's Refuge.		
Holiday Club 2012 - Next years Holiday Club will be August 13-17th. The theme will be based on the Olympics. Please make a note of this in your diary. Thank you. Sandra		

Eldene Tea and Coffee Club

This will be starting on Thursday morning 13 October at 10.15am and will be meeting in the Eldene Centre each week during school term time. Anyone is welcome to drop in for a chat; we would be pleased to see you. *Christine* (692004)

Street Pastors Commissioning

We are really pleased that Dianne Lane has been officially commissioned as a Street Pastor at a special service at Bath Road Methodist Church on 30th September. We look forward to hearing from Dianne sometime soon about how she is getting on.

Christmas Care

Once again the shelter will be open over the Christmas period at Queen's Drive Methodist Church. This venture is supported by churches throughout Swindon. We can all help by offering to serve as a volunteer (meetings at 8pm on 10th & 16th Nov.), or by donating items. The project requires sleeping bags, bedding, towels, toiletries, warm clothing, shoes, food, and money to cover expenses.

For more information see website www.christmascare.co.uk or contact John 827627; Diane 336420; Betty 485483; or Patsy 642368.

Shoe Boxes - Once again it is time to think about shoe boxes and get busy buying the things to fill them for the children overseas who really appreciate receiving them. Leaflets will be in the three church centres in due course. If you need to know more, please phone me on Swindon 692004. *Christine*

From Abi - our Schools Worker

I shall start by telling anyone who is not aware yet that Matt and I are expecting a baby, we are so excited. The baby is due in February 2012. I am going to be working in the schools up until Christmas then will be doing lighter duties in January, getting ready to go on maternity leave on the 1st of February. Please do keep us in your prayers. Thank you.

I can hardly believe it but the in:School project has now entered into it's fifth year which is so exciting! Over the past few weeks I have been busy meeting with the head teachers and RE coordinators to book things up until Christmas, I have informed the staff that events such as The Living Church and Easter Cracked Open will carry on when I will be on maternity leave and the plan is to meet with the teachers in January to hand over contact details for the local ministers and schools coordinators so that communication and links can stay strong.

I would value your prayers this coming week for...

- All assemblies to go well.
- The RE lessons at Liden to go well
- Schools to continue to book up for Christmas Unwrapped

Thank you. *Abi*