



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



Services Sunday 6th November 2016

St. Paul's

10.30am	United service of Holy Communion With prayers for our Christmas shoe boxes for Linked to hope	Rev'd Stuart Fisher
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During communion there will be an opportunity to receive the ministry of prayer for yourself and others

1.00pm	Baptism of Matthew Richard Rolls	Revd Andrew Wigley
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NB - there will be no tea and Praise this afternoon at 4pm

St Timothy's

1.00pm	Baptism of Teddy Scanlon	Rev'd Trudie Wigley
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This morning Alex Scott is at Albourne, Colin Parsons is at Christ Church, Marlborough and Andrew Wigley at Bath Road supporting the wider Methodist circuit.

**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.**

What's on this week - Small groups and Cell Groups - please keep in touch with your leaders for dates and venues. If you would like to join one, please speak to one of the Ministers or Church Wardens.

Monday 7th November	2-4pm	Monday Club at St. Tim's
Tuesday 8th November	11.30am 7.30pm	Service of Thanksgiving for Karl Gase, St Paul's Church Men's Fellowship Group - Ecklington, Eldene - History of Swindon
Wednesday 9th November	8.45am 9.00am 1.30pm	Tea, Toast, Talk, Today! At St Tims Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's
Thursday 10th November	9.30am 10.00am	Holy Communion at St. Tim's Clergy Chapter at Rodbourne Cheney
Friday 11th November	9.30am	Christmas unwrapped training, St Pauls
Saturday 12th November	7.00pm	Swindon Male Voice Choir - Concert at St. Paul's - see separate notice.

SERVICES 13th November

St. Paul's

8.45am Holy Communion Rev'd Andrew Wigley

10.30am All Age Worship Rev'd Trudie Wigley

Welcome: *Rosemary & Amy*, Teas: *Cathy & Friends*, Sunday Club: *All Age*

4.00pm Living with Loss Service Rev'ds Trudie Wigley, Andrew Wigley and Stuart Fisher

St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Worship Paul Taylor

Joy Stephens wishes to thank everyone for their prayers for Philip. He is much improved and now at home.

For your prayers:

- For migrants and refugees, particularly the children moved from the Jungle this past week
- For the United States as they come to election day
- For our community, and all those who live and work here
- All those who are in need of God's healing and peace
- All those recently bereaved following the loss of a loved one, particularly thinking of the family and friends of Karl Gase and Revd Laurence Moss
- For all those affected by war, past and present, as we mark Remembrance Day on Friday this week

Funeral and Service of Thanksgiving for Karl Gase:

Following the news that Karl sadly passed away on Saturday 22nd October, arrangements have now been finalised for his funeral and a service of thanksgiving.

Following a private service of committal at the Crematorium, a service of thanksgiving for Karl's life will take place on **Tuesday 8th November at 11:30** at St Paul's, Covingham to which all are warmly invited.

Afterwards there will be a time for fellowship over refreshments for everyone at The Messenger, Covingham Square. Tracy, Tom and Helmut remain in our prayers at this time, and may Karl Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

Living with loss – Sunday 13th November 4pm St Pauls:

We will be holding our annual "Living with Loss" service on Sunday 13th November at 4pm at St Pauls. This service is to remember anyone whom we have loved and lost – whether recent or a number of years ago.

All are welcome, and *please do consider who you might personally invite who have been bereaved*. Invitations are available for you to take to give to others.

The Training for this years Christmas Unwrapped [both Teams]

is Nov.11th - 9.30am at St.Pauls .

Abi has offered to take it so it will be good to catch up with her. If anyone has not been involved before, but is interested in knowing what goes on, please contact me for information. Margaret 01793 532849, Mob.07756987198
If you can't make Training but want to be involved please see Jo Bush or myself.

Link to Hope

A Big thank you to everyone who has been busy looking for the right items to put in the boxes this year; packing and wrapping up the lovely colourful boxes. Thanks come also from Link to Hope and all the families and elderly folk who look forward to receiving their boxes.

Please continue to pray for the safe delivery of these boxes and for God's peace to be with all the Volunteers and drivers who are driving over to Europe to take them to the different countries.

It is hard for us to imagine as we ponder on how they live in such poor and difficult situation. Their feelings as they wait to receive and open them; their excitement and expectancy they must feel.

Thanks. *Christine*

Swindon Male Voice Choir

will be singing at St. Paul's
Next Saturday
12th November at 7.00pm

Guest Choir - Shrewsbury Male Voice Choir
Guest Soloist to be confirmed

Cost is £7.50
Tickets can be obtained from
Gordy Smith on 01793 822495 or on the door.

New crèche:

We are starting a creche during the 10.30 service at St Paul's in the very near future. If you would like to be involved in this and join the helpers rota, please speak to Sue Morgans, Jan Shellard or Nikki Clinch. Thank you!

Tea, Toast, Talk, TODAY! Launched last Wednesday morning:

What a lovely atmosphere with seven adults and 5 children for the first week. When Viv walked in for the Tiny Tot session a couple of hours later, she said 'what a lovely smell of toast'. The church was warm and inviting and we expect more to come next week.

We will keep you informed on how it all is going. We even had a 27-year old Mum ask if anyone knew how to knit! Hazel does, so that is happening next week over the toast!

From the team at St Tim's Tea,Toast,Talk TODAY.

News from X:Site:

After 9 years at St Pauls, X:Site is moving to The Academy School in Pinehurst. This is a great opportunity for the team to share the Christian message amongst a new community, and whilst we will miss this gathering being at St Paul's, it is super that it will be continuing elsewhere and that we can continue to join with them at their new home. In an email from Lianne Smith she shares the following:

"I just want to say thank you to the church community for supporting us on our 9 year journey. St Paul's has been so accommodating and welcoming and has been the perfect venue host.

Please continue to pray for us as we seek to share the Good News of Jesus with children who have not yet heard."

I'm sure you will join with me in praying for them and we look forward to their first event on 21st January 2017.

The Turning Point Trust, Koncert for Kiberia

19 November 7.30pm at

St Andrew's Church, Devizes. Tickets £7 each in aid of
Chemi Chemi Ya Tumaini School.

Please see Diane K or Judy Newman for further details.



The catering team

A big thank you to everyone who has offered to help with the catering at Messy Church.

A big thank you to everyone who has offered to help with the catering at Messy Church. We had a meeting this week to think about how to take things forward, and for everyone to meet Clare Smith who is now co-ordinating the catering team. Clare will be in touch in due course, however as she finds her feet she may not contact you straight away, but please be assured that you are still needed and wanted!

The November Messy falls on Sunday 20th November, the day after the Christmas Fayre. Therefore we will be buying cakes rather than asking for cakes to be made so that all you lovely cakemakers are freed up to bake wonderful creations for the Fayre on the Saturday! Thank you for your support and help as we take Messy Church forward.

Messy Church training
Saturday 26th November 2016
10-4pm
St Christopher's Church,
Brislington, BS4 3HN



Bristol Diocese has teamed up with Messy Church to provide training specifically for Messy Church teams of all sizes and ages to help them become better leaders. Through team-building exercises, leadership theory and reflective practice, the hands-on, fun, fast-moving and action-packed training day gives those aged 9-109 opportunities to understand more of the practicalities of leading a Messy Church, develop teamwork and reflect on their inner relationship with God and those around them. There are also specific workshops for young leaders of ages 9 upwards, so this is a true all age gathering! If you would like to go, then please let Trudie know (326128) so that we can book tickets and travel down together. See you there?

Service to pray and commission all those working with Children and young people - Sunday 27th November 3pm St John's Hayden Wick:

Bishop Lee will be leading this service to commission and pray for all those who work with children and young people across the Swindon deanery.

We are all invited and it would be great if a team of us could go. So many at Dorcan are involved in this ministry in many different ways, so please do come. If you'd like a lift then contact Trudie (9326128)

Rob Parsons – the “Wisdom House”: Rob is chief executive of Care for the Family and a best-selling author. He is coming to Swindon on Tuesday 8th November as part of his “Wisdom House” tour – an evening where he unpacks some lessons of life with stories that will touch your heart, times that will make you laugh and teaching that is inspiring and encouraging.

More details and how to book at

www.careforthefamily.org.uk/wisdomhouselive

Parish Officer Training morning - Saturday 26th November 9:30-1pm:

This is an excellent Diocese-run morning of talks, seminars and workshops for Churchwardens, ECC Treasurers and Secretaries, ECC members, parish administrators and all church members looking to expand their skills and knowledge. Tony Prichard, our Churchwardens and others have attended in the past and found it informative and a fun morning.

The seminars cover a wide range of topics that will both equip those who attend and also empower the local church. It is held at Sheldon School Chippenham and more information and signing up details can be found at <http://www.bristol.anglican.org/2016/parish-officer-training-morning/>



Christmas Fayre

19 November 11am –1.30pm

Yes we are having one! Including: raffle, tombola, bric a brac, toys, cakes, mince pies, games.

Festive fun for all the family!

Your donations will be very welcome for all the above stalls.

Also help setting up on Friday evening from 6.30pm.

Diane

New Years Eve Church Party. -

Family fun, bring and share food and whatever drink you want to drink.

St Pauls Hall 8pm till 12.

Come and Sing Handel's Messiah,

at Christ Church, Cricklade Street, Swindon, on
Saturday 12 November,

Singers register 1pm, practice 1.30-5.15pm

Performance 7pm. Local soloists.

£10 for singers and audience in aid of Brighter Futures.

Details and application form from Kath Danswan,

13 Croft Road SN14DG, email kath.danswan@tiscali.co.uk

New Cleaner at St Paul's -

We now have a new cleaner whose name is Zoe and she will be starting on Monday. You may see her around the building.

Tania

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by Thursday 10th November

Tel: 695698 or e.mail anagram673@hotmail.co.uk

Please let me know if you would like to receive notices by e.mail