



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

AND LET US  
RUN WITH  
ENDURANCE  
THE RACE  
THAT IS SET  
BEFORE US  
HEBREWS 12:1

## Services - 9th September 2018

### St. Paul's

7.30 for 7.40am Outside St Paul's, meet to walk to Dorcan way for Marathon  
7:40 for 7:50am The Messenger, meet to walk to Dorcan way for the Marathon

**4.00pm** United service with communion Rev'd Andrew Wigley  
(tea & praise style)

Welcome: *John & Joan*

As we put into practice our "eating together" please do come at 4pm with biscuits/cakes to share. There is no-one serving, so this is a chance to muck in, stick the kettles on and eat cake together! We will start the service later at around 4:20pm.

**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.**

<b>What's on next week -</b>		
Tuesday 11th Sept.	8.00am 9.00am 10.00am 7.00pm  7.30pm	Deanery Leadership Team, snug Morning Prayers - St. Paul's chapel Morning Prayers at St. Tim's Holy habits gathering evening to plan and share ideas for the next two habits of worship and prayer, St Paul's Men's fellowship Group at Bryanston Way, Nythe
Wednesday 12th Sept.	8.45am 9.00am 1.30pm	Tea & Toast, St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's
Thursday 13th Sept.	9.30am 7.30pm 8-9.00pm	Holy Communion, St. Paul's Circuit meeting, St. Tim's Footie at Dorcan Leisure Centre, followed by the Messenger

<b>Services - 16th September</b>		
<b>St. Paul's</b>		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Trudie Wigley
<b><u>10.30am</u></b>	Morning Worship	Rev'd Rob Smith
Welcome: <i>Pam &amp; Friend</i> , Teas: <i>Cathy's Group</i> , Sunday Club: <i>tbc</i> , Creche: <i>None</i>		
4.00pm	Messy Church	The Team !
<b>St. Tim's</b>		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler

**Due to holidays we are really short of helpers for Messy Church** on the 16th September.

Please would you let Trudie or Hazel know if you are able to help out.

Thank-you.

### **Note from Jackie Hancock regarding a Change to the Church Office Opening times**

With effect from the week commencing 17th September the Church Office at St Paul's will be open for Parish Enquiries on Wednesdays and Fridays between 9am and 1pm. In addition to these times I will continue to work the rest of my hours on a flexible basis appropriate to workloads and meetings.

My contact details:

Telephone 01793 435987 or email [dorcan.church.office@gmail.com](mailto:dorcan.church.office@gmail.com).

Jackie Hancock, Church Administrator

A big **THANK YOU** to all those who supported the Bring and Share meal after the service last Sunday. It was lovely to see so many people there, and thanks to all those who helped with the washing up and clearing up and also for the lovely food that you brought.

Pauline and Angela

### **Sad family news – Kathleen Thomas**



With sadness we share that Kathleen Thomas died early last Saturday morning. Kathleen had been one of the regulars at Eldene, and was a resident at Edgehill following the death of her son Michael last December.

Her funeral will be held at Kingsdown Crematorium on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 2:15pm, followed by refreshments at St Paul's.

Please keep in your prayers her son Paul and his wife June, and also Kathleen's sister Janet. Kathleen had a great faith and may she rest in peace and rise in glory.



We are celebrating Harvest festival across all services on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September, giving thanks to God for his provision and blessings.

## HOLY HABITS

Thank you for your support and encouragement as we launched our first habit – *Eating Together* – last week. It was great to be fed spiritually in the service as well as physically afterwards - and thank you to Pauline and Angela for co-ordinating our shared lunch. It was good to spend time eating together.

As we continue to explore this habit during September and October, we are looking to encourage each other and share insights as to how we are embedding this habit in our discipleship. Each service we would like to share for 1-2 minutes what you are doing toward Eating Together – whether personally or in groups, your communities, workplaces etc. If you have something to share to encourage us all then please do grab a member of the ministry team and we can then look at a service for you to share with us all.

Many people suggested ideas as to what we might do as part of this habit and here are the ideas.... so please do take up the reins and take them forward as we deepen this habit in our discipleship.

*Food festival*                      *Sunday lunch hospitality rota*  
*Possibilities around harvest*                      *Passover meal*  
*Bring and share after each united*  
*Inviting people over for afternoon tea and cake-*  
*Lunch to celebrate Sue's licensing on 23/9*  
*Safari supper (enjoyed in past!)*

None of these will happen without all of us making it happen, so please do think about what you might be able to do to make some of these ideas a reality.

**Going forward:** When we met in July, we agreed to meet every 4 months to explore ideas for the next two holy habits. Therefore we will be meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm at St Paul's to look at worship and prayer. This will last for an hour to enable other groups to continue later in the evening.

Thank you for exploring holy habits together as God's church. We are invited on this journey and we are expectant as to where God may take us as we go forward. Thank you.



## **Sue Morgans Licensing as a Lay Reader**

We are delighted to share that, having completed her studies and training, ECC have joyfully recommended that Sue be licensed as a Lay Minister. This is great news and we thank Sue for her ministry amongst us and we look forward to all that

lies ahead!

**Sue will be licensed on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 10:30am at Bristol Cathedral.** All are welcome and those who have booked to go on the coach have been contacted by Jackie will details of arrangements.

On **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 10:30am St Paul's**, we will be marking Sue licensing and she will be preaching. We will be following this with a celebratory lunch – more details below! Lists are available in both centres and the meal will begin around about 12.30pm to enable St. Tim's members to be able to get there.

### **We would also like to present Sue with a gift:**

In both centres there is an envelope if you would like to make an offering towards a present for Sue. We will do some enquiries into what Sue might like and share in due course what we give to her.

*Trudie*

### **I am co-ordinating the Bring and share Lunch**

Lists are available in both centres for offers of food and numbers. The meal will begin around about 12.30pm to enable St. Tim's members to get there.

Any more information, please contact me.

Thanks. *Margaret Hylton*



## LATEST BREAKING MARATHON NEWS ....TODAY! Friday 8.00 pm.

### CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR MARATHON AID STATION!

We have been moved (again)! We are still on the north bound carriageway of Dorcan Way, but now situated half way between the Kingfisher Drive and Messenger junctions, effectively at the closed-off end of Nylands Road.

Now we know where we definitely are, we will not be meeting at St Pauls or The Messenger.

Therefore please come and walk up and be with us for 8am - this is for a time of prayer together and preparing the water bottles ahead of the first runners expected around 8:10-15ish.

You'll clearly see us there with the gazebo and music (new this year!)

Thank you for supporting this Aid Station which is a super outreach to the community, and **don't forget to bring gloves** for opening those bottle tops! Remember how sore our fingers got last year opening bottles?!

Every blessing [#keeponrunning](#)

We expect the first runners just before 8:15am and the northbound Dorcan Way to be reopened from 10:30am (the south will be open all the time).

Please do come and support. To be an aid station we have had to commit that there will be adequate people to man it, so please come and support this great event.

See you at the crack of dawn!

### **Volunteers needed - Swindon Night Shelter**

The shelter provides a lifeline to some of the most vulnerable people in our town. If you could spare some time to work for this charity or would like to know more please contact using the web site.

<http://www.swindonnightshelter.uk/>



# Christmas Fayre



**24th November  
11.30am - 1.30pm**

At this stage we need offers of help on the day and fresh ideas for stalls.

Donations nearer the time.

Thanks, Angela

**The Wednesday home group need your unwanted soft toys** for a tombola stall at the Christmas Fayre. This is always popular with the children and they win a prize every time.

Please ask your family and friends and pass donations to Brenda or Stuart Fisher after a service or we can collect. Tel. 497169



**We are holding our annual coffee morning for Macmillan on Saturday, 29th September at St. Tim's 10am till midday.**

We shall be selling cakes, jam and Marmalade and other goodies. Contributions towards this will be most welcome.

*Sarah*



From Area Receiver  
- Paul Tayler.  
St Paul's Church Dorcan.



Closing date for Shoeboxes this year is Friday 2nd November. The Blessing of the shoeboxes will be Sunday 4th of November at St Paul's and St Timothy's

The Shoeboxes will need to be taken to Area receiver at St Paul's on Friday 2nd November: From 09-30. - 13-00

Your Donation of £2-00 per shoebox must be taped to the box as shown on instruction leaflet

Collection by Link to Hope will be on Thursday 15th or Friday 16th November

Thank you for your support for [Link to Hope](#).

Paul Tayler LLM.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by **Wednesday 12th September**. Tel 695698 or email [anagram673@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:anagram673@hotmail.co.uk) Thank you.

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