



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

HAPPY MOMENTS,  
*Praise God.*

DIFFICULT MOMENTS,  
*Seek God.*

QUIET MOMENTS,  
*Worship God.*

PAINFUL MOMENTS,  
*Trust God.*

EVERY MOMENTS,  
*Thank God.*

## Services - 16th September 2018

### St. Paul's

8.45am Holy Communion Rev'd Trudie Wigley

10.30am Morning Worshiup Rev'd Rob Smith

Welcome: *Pam & Friend*, Teas: *Cathy's Group*, Sunday Club, *tbc*, No Creche.

4.00pm Messy Church The team!

### St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Worship Paul Tayler

This morning Andrew is at Wroughton.

**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 18th Sept.	9.00am Pm Pm	Morning Prayers - St. Paul's chapel Senior Citizens Harvest Festival Dorcan Academy Christian Union
Wednesday 19th Sept.	8.45am 9.00am 1.30pm 7 for 7.30pm	Tea & Toast, St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Clergy Chapter, Lydiard
Thursday 20th Sept.	9.30am 8-9.00pm	Holy Communion, St. Tim's Footie at Dorcan Leisure Centre, followed by the Messenger
Saturday 22nd Sept.	10.30am 4.00pm	Sue Morgans - Licensing as LLM, Bristol Cathedral Retirement service for Archdeacon Christine, Malmesbury (tickets)

<b>Services - 23rd September</b>		
<b>St. Paul's</b>		
10.30am	Morning Worship  Celebration of Sue's licensing	Sue Morgans Rev'd Trudie Wigley
Welcome: <i>Hazel &amp; Janice</i> , Teas: <i>Jean &amp; Joan</i> , Sunday Club: <i>Nathalie</i> , Creche: <i>Jo &amp; Niki</i>		
<b>St. Tim's</b>		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Stuart Fisher

**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

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



With sadness we share that Kathleen Thomas died on the 1st September. 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.



**HARVEST FESTIVAL**

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

As last year, due to practicalities of getting fresh produce to Women's Aid, we are collecting only dry and long-life foods, to be shared between Foodbank and Big Breakfast (as usual) with a financial offering instead for Women's Aid.

## **Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust Annual Ride & Stride 2018**

I took part in this on Saturday, visiting 52 churches and cycling 52 miles in the process.

The trust provides maintenance grants, for the upkeep of Church Buildings, and the ride and stride is their main fundraising event.

We in the The Dorcan Church were fortunate enough to receive a grant of 5k towards the heating system at St Pauls, a few years ago, and it is likely we may have to apply again in the future.

A big thank you to all who have supported me, and if you would still like to donate, you can do so at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/John-Davidson12> . Or see me in church.

many thanks *John Davidson*

## **Christmas Shoeboxes – Linked to Hope From Area Receiver - Paul Tayler, St Paul's Church Dorcan.**

The Blessing of the Christmas shoeboxes will be **Sunday 4th of November** at the United service, 10:30am St Paul's, so please bring them to this service.

Alternatively, they can be given to Paul Tayler, the Area receiver,

at St Paul's on Friday 9th November from 09-30am - 1-00pm

Collection by Link to Hope will be the following week.

Please can you ensure your Donation of £2-00 per shoebox is taped to the box as shown on instruction leaflet. Thanks.

Thank you for your support for Link to Hope.  
Paul Tayler LLM.





**Sue Morgans  
Licensing as a Lay Reader  
NEXT SATURDAY!**

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 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 kindly organized by Margaret and Ray Hylton (see below!)

**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.

**Above all, please pray for Sue as she comes to be licensed, and especially this weekend as she is on retreat in preparation for next weekend.**

*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*

**Thanks so much for the support and encouragement** re my up and coming licensing; please pray for me as I am on pre licensing retreat this weekend.

Thanks, *Sue*



**THANK YOU!** To everyone who turned out so early to help with the water stall for the half marathon last Sunday, you were all brilliant.

There was a fantastic atmosphere as 2300 people or so ran around Swindon, and we retain hope that the race will run next year, although the final decision has not yet been taken.

I'm well aware that it's not for everyone, so thank you for making that effort. An extra thank you to those really early people who put tables and gazebo's etc. up, and thank you to those who gave up your Sunday Morning worship to allow us to be Gods presence in the community.

And finally, a huge well done to those in our community who ran it. Just as long as you don't ask me to....!!

*Nathalie Marshall*

### **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.swidonnightshester.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.



**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*





**Christian  
Healing  
UK**

**A fellowship of healing initiatives**

In partnership with The Harnhill Centre of Christian Healing  
& Worcester Diocese Healing Advisory Group  
invite all those involved in Christian Prayer Ministry to:

**THE HARNHILL CENTRE OF CHRISTIAN HEALING,  
HARNHILL, CIRENCESTER, GL7 5PX**

on Thursday 4th October, 2018: 1pm - 4 pm

Feel free to arrive from 12.30 with a packed lunch. Drinks provided.

**Please contact 01285 850283 to book a place.**

Led by Rev. Kate Picot and Dr Michael Harper  
the programme will include:

- The deepest needs of individuals requesting prayer – Kate speaking
- Opportunity to receive prayer for the healing ministry you are involved with.
- Time to network and learn from different local healing initiatives.

A donation of £5 to cover the cost of this event would be appreciated

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to  
Anna Newman by **Wednesday 19th 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**