



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



*“⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith
– and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God
Ephesians 2:8*

SERVICES - 24th November 2019 - Christ the King Sunday

St. Paul's

8.45am	Holy Communion	Paul Tayler and Rev'd Rob Smith
10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Rob Smith
Welcome, <i>tbc.</i> , Teas: <i>Janice & Sam</i> , Sparks: <i>Deb & Hazel</i> , Creche: <i>Sue & Niki</i>		

St. Tim's

10.30am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler
1.00pm	Baptism	Rev'd Rob Smith

This morning Alex Scott is at Albourne and Neil Marshall is at Pewsey supporting the wider Methodist circuit. Trudie Wigley is away this weekend on an Advent residential.

**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 -		
Monday 25th November	10.00am 2.00pm 2.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	House Group (Colleen Wiseman) House Group (Alex Scott) Covingham Park school Assembly Spiritual Gifts revisited St Paul's Men's Fellowship meeting (at Wiseman Cl.)
Tuesday 26th November	9.00am 10.00am 1.00pm 7.30pm	Morning prayers at St Paul's Morning prayers at St. Tim's Christian Union, Dorcan Academy House Group (Dianne Lane)
Wednesday 27th November	8.45am 9.00am 1.15pm 6.00pm	Tea & Toast at St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Blaze at St. Paul's
Thursday 28th November	9.00am 9.30am 7.30pm 8.00pm	Covingham Park School Christmas unwrapped at St. Paul's Mid Week Communion at St. Tim's ECC meeting at St Tim's Footie at Dorcan Leisure centre followed by the Messenger
Friday 29th November	9.00am 10.30am 12.30pm	Covingham Park School Christmas unwrapped at St. Paul's Holy Communion at Edgehill. St. Paul's - weekly office meeting.

Holy Habits for October and November "Gladness and generosity"



SERVICES - 1st December 2019 - Advent Sunday

St. Paul's

10.30am	United Holy Communion	Rev'd Rob Smith
Welcome, <i>Rosemary & Amy</i> , Teas: <i>Mari /</i> , Sparks: <i>Nathalie & Deb</i> , Creche: <i>tbc</i> .		
1.00pm	Baptism	Rev'd Rob Smith
4.00pm	Advent Taize	

Cyril Williams

With great sadness we share that Cyril Williams passed away on Monday 18th November. Many of you will know that Cyril had not been in good health for a while and deeply missed coming to church.

Personally, I was fortunate enough to be invited to share Holy Communion with him at his home on a few occasions and whenever I visited him he always asked me to pass on his best wishes to 'his girls' and everyone. I know how much your cards and best wishes meant to him.

He will be greatly missed and our prayers are with his wife June and his wider family at this time.

It is expected that Cyril's funeral will take place in December so that his family can travel from the USA to be here; when we have further details they will be announced.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory. Stuart

Toy service – 8th December:

Don't forget in 2 weeks' time we have our All-Age toy services at 10:30am at both St Paul's and St Tim's.

If you would like to, please bring an unwrapped toy and some wrapping paper which will be given to the NSPCC to give to children for whom Christmas will be challenging this year.



Christmas services publicity!

We now have all our Christmas publicity.
The national theme of #FollowTheStar is continuing for both this year and the next and this is reflected in our publicity.

Flyers:

At the Christmas fayre yesterday we started to give out the flyers.
Please do take a flyer for yourself and to give to others - this year we have plenty as they were so popular last year!

Christmas cards:

We also have our Christmas card for this year to be distributed to homes around the parish.
We managed a whopping 5,000 across our community last year.
More news on the team effort to distribute them to follow

Christmas Angels

Please could all you lovely angel knitters give any finished ones to Dianne Lane, Maureen Tayler or leave in church by 24th November. We will then bag them up ready to be blessed at the service on 1st December prior to distribution round the parish. Many thanks *Mo*

CHRISTMAS 2019

THE DORCAN CHURCH
St. Paul's Church Centre
Covingham SN3 5BY

Sunday 1st December

10.30am Advent Communion
4pm Advent Taize Service

Sunday 8th December

8.45am Communion
10.30am All Age Toy Service*

Sunday 15th December

10.30am Morning Worship
4pm Christmas Messy Church & Party tea

Sunday 22nd December

6pm Carols by Candlelight

Tuesday 24th December - Christmas Eve

4pm Christingle & Crib Service
11.30pm Midnight Mass

Wednesday 25th December - Christmas Day

9am Christmas Day Communion
10am Christmas All-Age Celebration

ST. TIMOTHY'S

Liden Community Centre, SN3 6HP

Sunday 8th December

10.30am Christingle & Toy Service*

Sunday 15th December

10.30am Carols & Communion

Sunday 22nd December

10.30am Christmas Communion

*If you would like to, please bring an unwrapped gift
& wrapping paper donation for the NSPCC

Community Centre Development Manager:

We are pleased to share that, following interviews last week, we have made an offer to someone for this position. We are awaiting references and DBS checks and will then be able to share who they are.

We were impressed by the calibre of those we interviewed, and this person will be a great asset to us and the community.

This is a significant step forward for us as a church as we both maintain and develop the two centres and we look forward to all that lies ahead.

Do you want to be led more by Jesus, lead more like Jesus, lead more to Jesus?

In which case you may be interested in a programme which is being delivered in Swindon called **“Growing leaders”**. It is designed for Christians who currently, or potentially, have leadership responsibility within the local church, their employment, the community or within voluntary organisations.

It explores a number of areas including the foundation of Christian character, our ministry calling, distinctiveness of Christian leadership in whatever context we are doing this, how we work in teams, discerning direction, developing others, embracing cost etc.

The course is held over a 10 month period, meeting monthly for a couple of hours, with two Saturday sessions.

Feedback from previous courses is excellent, and much of the material is drawn from clergy training which Trudie, Stuart and Rob have undertaken. If you are interested then please do pick up a leaflet in each of the centres, look on the posters, or have a chat with Trudie about it. There is an introductory exploration session on Monday 25th November from 7:30pm-9:30pm to find out more.

We would love to see a group from Dorcan go on this as we develop our spiritual gifts in ministry in which ever context God has called us. Please do think and pray as to whether this is something God may be nudging you to explore.

Trudie (326128)

09/11/2019

Mail - Anna Newman - Outlook

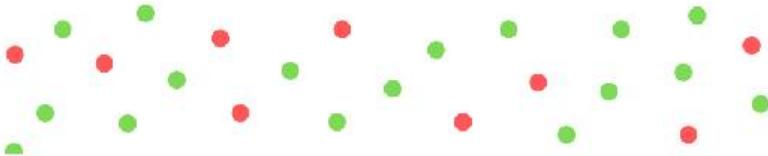


The Dorcan Church Young people present

AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

DECEMBER 4, 2019 • 6PM
ST PAUL'S CHURCH

Tickets are £3 each to include a drink and nibbles.
Please buy tickets in advance from Debbie Mulcock



Changes in the Safeguarding team

Dianne Lane has stepped down as our Parish Safeguarding Concerns Officer for Vulnerable adults but will continue in her role as Safeguarding Training officer. We are all very grateful to Dianne for all she has done and so pleased that she is staying on to organise our Safeguarding training.

It is planned to recruit a new person to the team; in the interim Jenny will be the concerns officer for both vulnerable adults and children/young people with Sue Morgans supporting Jenny.

*Jackie Hancock
Safeguarding Administrator*

Huge Plea.....

Would someone, team, couple, please volunteer to organise the refreshments after our Carol service on Sunday 22nd December

Please contact me asap. *Diane*

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by **Wednesday 27th November** Tel 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk Thank you.
Please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email