



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

Bible verse for October - Micah 6 v 8



SERVICES - 27th October 2019 - Last Sunday after Trinity		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Stuart Fisher
10.30am	Morning Worship	Neil Marshall
Welcome: <i>tbc</i> , Teas: <i>tbc</i> , Sparks: <i>Nathalie & Helen</i> , Creche: <i>In church</i>		
St. Timothy's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott
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 28th October	10.00am 2.00pm	House Group (Colleen Wiseman) House Group (Alex Scott)
Tuesday 29th October	9.00am 10.00am 7.30pm	Morning prayer at St Paul's Morning prayers at St. Tim's House Group (Dianne Lane)
Thursday 31st October	8.00pm	Footie at Dorcan Leisure centre followed by the Messenger
Friday 1st November	12.30pm	St. Paul's - weekly office meeting.

Leaders of Groups -

Please don't forget to let Jackie know all the dates for clubs, house groups and events for the Google calendar for the coming weeks.

SERVICES - 3rd November 2019 - 4th Before Advent

St. Paul's

10.30am United Holy Communion Neil Marshall
 Welcome: *tbc*, Teas: *tbc*, Sparks: *Mary & Niki*, Creche: *Margaret & Judy*.

4.00pm Youth Confirmation Service Rev'd Rob Smith
 With Holy Communion

Continuing our mini sermon series on '**Being United**' -

Today we will be looking at what it means to be 'United as a church' and next week Stuart in the United service will be looking at what does it look like to be gods people 'United in purpose'.

We hope you get lots out of it and can grapple with it in the weeks ahead.

Blessings, *Rob.*

Dave Durham:

With sadness we share that Dave Durham passed away last Sunday – 13th October. In more recent years he has been a regular and faithful member of the mid-week congregation, yet in past years he has been deeply involved in many aspects of the life of the Church, including work with our youngsters and holiday club.

He will be greatly missed and our prayers are with Chris, and his son Andrew.

His funeral is on Tuesday 5th November, 1:30pm at Kingsdown and all are invited, and for refreshments afterwards.

May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

NEXT SUNDAY!!!**YOUTH CONFIRMATION SERVICE****SUNDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 16:00 @ST PAULS**

Please do all come and support our 4/5 young people who will be getting confirmed that afternoon (the only ones to be getting confirmed that day).

It will be a great celebration for all ages and they would love you to be there in support and celebration, there will be a little do after the service as well. For more information please see Rob

Shoe Boxes

Please note that all Shoeboxes are to be at St Paul's on Sunday the 3rd of November. There will be another opportunity to deliver your box/es on Tuesday 5th. I will be at St Paul's From 9.30am till 1300. Then from 1400 till 1700.

Thank you all for your support for Link to Hope; your boxes show your, and God's love and concern for those who receive them.

I have had a donation of shoebox items, from St John's, if there is anyone needing items to fill their shoebox, you are welcome to contact me and arrange to pop round and search through what I have. Toys, gloves, face flannels, lots & I mean lots of pencils ordinary/coloured, hair bands/scrunchies, combs, small teddies, and so on. God Bless. *Paul*

Edghill Care Home Visit

Following the successful visit to Edghill Care Home last Friday, residents were able to share in a service of Holy Communion with members of the Dorcan Church. Thank you to Diane and Joy who joined with me for this service. If any one else would like to join us, the next visit will be on Friday November 29th at 10.30. Put the date in your diary - please

Following on from this visit, two residents and their carers were at St Tim's on Sunday and joined us for Holy Communion. Some of our church members have agreed to visit Edghill more often, to lead the residents in playing some 'Board Games' - if you have time to join them or would like to know more please speak to Stuart in the first instance.

Our 'friends' at Edghill are looking also for volunteers/visitors to help with keeping their gardens 'tidy' and with two events happening soon; could this be you?

We would be very grateful if people could come and support us at the xmas shopping event on Friday 1st November at 6.30 -9pm and if anyone could volunteer that would be great.

We are also looking for someone to help 'toast marshmallows', if possible, on bonfire night; Tuesday 5th November.

For more information please call Margaret on 07895 214409 or email Zoe ; zoe.ratcliff13@gmail.com ; or, please speak to Stuart.

Let's keep up this wonderful outreach if not by visiting then by praying for all involved. Many thanks, *Stuart*

St Paul's Kiwuliriza – update and Building project:

Thank you to you all for your support and feedback following Revd Paulson's visit to us earlier this month as part of the Uganda 50th celebrations.

You will know from what he shared and the subsequent notice in the weekly news, that St Paul's are building a new church to seat 1,000 people as their current building is far too small. To accommodate existing worshippers they hold 4 services a day and the lack of physical capacity is affecting their mission and ministry locally.

The project is costing \$600k and they are near to the end of the first phase of the foundation work costing \$100k and hope to have the financial resources to lay their foundation stone on their 50th anniversary in November.

As a result of your support to this project we are sending a gift of £1,200 to St Paul's Kiwuliriza. This includes the generous offerings received from Dorcan church for this project, as well as around £1,000 from the Dorcan church mission fund.

Every year ECC designates some of our income to support others and this is held in our mission fund of which this offering is a proportion. This use of some of the funds held was passed by ECC this past week.

We are delighted to be able to support St Paul's in this way and have received a lovely letter from them thanking us for our generosity and love. This letter was circulated electronically with the weekly notices and copies are also available in both centres.

We keep St Paul's Kiwuliriza and our wider Uganda friends in our prayers as they further God's mission and ministry in their country.

Please note
that there will be **no Tiny Tots at St Paul's**
on Wed. 30th October due to half term week.
Love Brenda x

Community Centre Development Manager

As most of you will be aware, we have been working with Chris Smith from Christ Church for the last 6 months to manage our Church building for both our own and the community's use. During this period we have been considering the role needed to develop our churches and Centre.

The Centre Management team are pleased to advise you that we will be asking for people to apply for the role of Community Centre Development Manager. The application process has now begun with a closing date for applications of Friday 25th October.

Please pass this onto anyone you think may be interested. For anyone who would wish to learn more about the position or to request an application pack, please contact Chris by email: hall.bookings@dorcanchurch.org.uk or tel: 435987/ 07582 30576

Wednesday church at St Tim's

Tiny Tots will be closed
on the **23rd and 30th October**
due to a teacher training day and half term.

Tiny Tots and TTTTODAY
return on the 6th November .

TTTTODAY is celebrating a 3rd birthday
on the 6th November.

We have a lot to give thanks for
.....besides the chocolate birthday cake!

Everyone as usual is welcome
to join us at this session.

Love From the TTTTODAY Team

.....Mari, Hazel ,Helen and Elizabeth

Another chance to bag a bargain

Swindon Night Shelter Pop up Shop

Wednesday 30th October 2pm - St Tim's Liden
Everything brand new. Many items £1.00

And also a very special one off

Christmas Pop up Shop

Wednesday 6th November - 2pm - St Paul's
Lots of Christmas bargains all brand new
many items £1.00 **Tell your friends**

All proceeds go towards the work of
Swindon Night Shelter

Prospect does Strictly at St Paul's

Saturday 9th. November 4.30.pm

Come and see a demonstration of a 'Strictly' dance routine, share tea and cakes, and try your own routine.

50/50 donations shared between Prospect Foundation and The Dorcan Church.

Jo & Andy have been practising for Prospect does Strictly and would like to share their experience with you.

Details from
Tony Prichard 01792 520734
or e-mail tony@dorcan-church.org.uk



The November Rota is on the table in St. Paul's. Please sign up as and when you are able. Thanks. *Diane*

Christmas Fayre (30th November)

The Tuesday Cell Group are asking for unopened toiletries for their tombola stall. Items to anyone in the group please.

Dianne Lane

Brenda Fisher is collecting soft toys again this year for the teddy tombola, if you have any to donate please bring them along to St Paul's any Wednesday morning from 8/11 during the Tiny Tots session. Thank you,
Brenda Fisher

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by **Wednesday 30th October** Tel 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk Thank you.
Please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email