



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

I am the
bread of life.
Whoever comes to Me
will never go hungry,
and whoever believes in me
will never be thirsty.
John 6 vs. 35

Services - 29th July - 9th Sunday after Trinity

St. Paul's

10.00am Morning Worship Revd Trudie Wigley

Welcome: *Rosemary & Amy*, Teas: *Hazel & Alison*,
Sunday Club: *tbc*, Creche: *tbc*.

1.00pm Baptism Rev'd Trudie Wigley

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Rev'd Stuart Fisher

Colin Parsons is at Lyneham and Andrew Wigley is at Wroughton,
both 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 next week -		
Tuesday 31st July	9.00-9.45am 10.00am	Morning Prayers at St. Paul's Morning Prayers at St. Tim's
Thursday 2nd August	9.30am 8-9.00pm	Holy Communion, St. Paul's Footie at Dorcan Leisure Centre, followed by the Messenger

**Services - 5th August
10th Sunday after Trinity**

St. Paul's

10.00am	United Service of Holy Communion	Rev'd Stuart Fisher
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Welcome: *Pam & Friend*, Teas: *Joan & Jean*,
Sunday Club: *tbc*, Creche: *tbc*.

Mid-week communion during August:

We will be continuing with mid-week services on Thursdays, with the exception of 23rd and 30th August. There will therefore be services on 2nd Aug (St P), 9th Aug (St T) and 16th Aug (St P). We will resume on Thursday 6th September at St Tim's.

Thank you.



During the summer we will be having one service at St Paul's at the earlier time of 10am. We will revert to 8:45am and 10:30am on Sunday 16th September.

(St Tim's staying the same at 10:30am)

*Thank
you!*

A MASSIVE thank you to everyone who made our confirmation service a fortnight ago so special. A lot of work went into the afternoon, from preparing the building, drafting the service, providing refreshments (amazing cakes and sandwiches!) putting up gazebos, laying tables, washing up, welcoming people, and so much more!

Thank you Dorcan Church – you're amazing. It was a super afternoon and our candidates were radiant - it was a privilege to share in their faith journey in this way. Together with those confirmed, we pray for us all as we continue our journey of discipleship

**And a thank you from 2 ladies from the
West Swindon Partnership:**

“ Thank you for Sunday 15th July - our Confirmation Day. It was a lovely day which we really enjoyed and thank you to the ladies who laid on a wonderful tea.
Thank you.
Best wishes.

Pat Smart & Carly Smart”



Holy Habits:

Thank you to everyone who came to our gathering last Monday to explore Holy Habits – it was a great turnout, especially in the heat – and we had representatives from all areas of church life. At this meeting we shared some ideas around the first habit – Eating Together – which we will be launching at our September united service and exploring at various points over the following couple of months in our church life. We don't just leave this habit after 2 months, the idea is to carry on and make it a regular habit, embedding it in church life and our discipleship. Here are some of the ideas we came up with:

*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.

We also thought it would be great to launch with a **“bring and share” type lunch on 2nd September. However we need a co-ordinator to make this happen.** If you are able to coordinate such an event and make our launch Sunday for holy habits start with some good fellowship and sharing then please let Diane Killick know.

Holy Habits (Continued)

Going forward we agreed as a group to meet every 4 months to explore ideas for the next two holy habits. Therefore we will be meeting on 11th September at 7pm 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 and excited as to where God may take us as we go forward. Thank you.

The **next rota** will be prepared during the following weeks. If you could let me know any dates when you would not be available during September, October and November, I would be grateful.

If you feel this is something you could now do, refreshments, church cleaning, welcomers, reading and prayers of intercession, please do contact me. *Diane*

And a very big thank you also to all those who generously donated cakes for the teachers of our local schools. I received more than I usually do. Thanks again, Margaret

The name has changed, but the service of the volunteers remains very much the same - to feed those in need.

SWINDON FOOD COLLECTIVE is the new name for foodbank

Your donations over the years have been gratefully received, and your patience during the last few weeks has been appreciated. We now look forward to your ongoing support in the future.

Many thanks
Diane on behalf of SFC volunteers

Following our Annual general meeting in April and subsequent ECC meeting, below is the current membership of ECC. We thank those who offer to serve God's church in Dorcan in this way, and we pray for them in their work. We thank those who offer to serve God's church in Dorcan in this way, and we pray for them in their work.



Elected Members (elected for a 3-year term)

Nicki Clinch	until 2020	John Davidson	until 2019
Nathalie Marshall	until 2020	Peter Mulcock	until 2020
Sue Morgans	until 2020	Jenny Poole	until 2021
Chris Rose	until 2020	Alex Scott	until 2020
Clare Smith	until 2021	(4 vacancies)	

Co-opted Members (co-opted for a 1-year term)

Tony Prichard	until 2019	Paul Tayler	until 2019
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Churchwarden (Appointed on an annual basis)

Diane Killick

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Viv Craig	until 2020	Jenny Poole	until 2020
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Ministers

Revd Trudie Wigley	Revd Stuart Fisher
Revd Andrew Wigley	Revd Rob Smith

ECC Officers

Revd Trudie Wigley	Chair
Tony Prichard	Treasurer
Jackie Hancock	Acting ECC secretary (non-voting)

Other Appointments: Church Stewards (appointed on an annual basis)

St. Paul's

Diane Killick (Senior Church Steward)
 John Davidson
 Josh Mulcock
 Chris Rose (2 vacancies)

St. Timothy's

(Vacant) (Senior Church Steward)
 Viv Craig
 Diane Mills
 Sarah Patterson

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or stephensparkes331@btinternet.com
(For further details see Stuart Fisher)

PLEASE NOTE:

Next week’s notices (5th August) will cover the summer period up to the 2nd September, when we will revert to normal weekly editions. Any items relating to events in August should be with me in time for next week’s notices.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by **Wednesday 1st August**. Tel 695698
or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk Thank you.
Please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email