



St. Paul's Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
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29th November, 2015

*Transforming lives and communities
Knowing Jesus and making Him known*



“Be always on the watch, and pray”
Luke 21:36

SERVICES - 29th November

St. Paul's

10.30am Morning Worship Rev'd Trudie Wigley

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Rev'd Stuart Fisher

Lectionary Jer. 33: 14-16 1 The. 3: 9-13
Readings Psalm 25: 1-10 Luke 21: 25-37
29th Nov.

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.

Dedication of New Chairs

Today, as we begin a new lectionary year, we shall be dedicating the new chairs. All the necessary money for the chairs has now been raised, for which we give thanks.

We are in the process of putting together a framed print showing the names of those in whose memory some of the donations have been made, and this print will be displayed in each of the churches. Please see Diane or Viv to check the details on the list.

What's on this week -

Small groups and Cell Groups - please keep in touch with your leaders for dates and venues. If you would like to join one, please speak to one of the Ministers or Church Wardens.

Monday 30th Nov.	2-4pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes at St. Tim's Ministry team at 60 Fairlawn
Tuesday 1st Dec.	9.30am 9.30am	Christmas unwrapped, Covingham at ST Pauls Christmas unwrapped, Liden, St Tims
Wednesday 2nd Dec.	9.00am 1.30pm 2.00pm	Tiny Tots at St Paul's Tiny Tots at St Tim's Finance Committee in vestry
Thursday 3rd Dec.	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Paul's
Saturday 5th Dec.	am	Morning Diocesan Synod, Bristol

SERVICES - 6th December

St. Paul's

10.30am	United Holy Communion	Rev'ds Andrew Wigley & Mark Barrett
Welcome: <i>Mari & Pam</i> , Teas: Janice & Shanice, Sunday Club: <i>tba</i>		
1.00pm	Baptism	Rev'd Trudie Wigley
4.00pm	Informal Worship	Rev'ds Trudie and Andrew Wigley

Cakes wanted Sunday Dec. 13th for Teachers in the Schools in the Dorcan Parish. It shows them we care and appreciate their hard work for our local children. Please contact Margaret (532849) or Leila (430350) if more info. needed.

For your prayers:

- *For Christmas Unwrapped as it continues this week:* for the pupils and teachers who will come, and for the team who is making it happen
- *For this Advent time:* that we may open our eyes and see Jesus in the present
- *For unrest across the world:* thinking particularly of Syria and Iraq, and tensions between Russia and Turkey
- *For those unwell:* that they may sense God's healing touch and love

Safeguarding Officer – Sandra Marshall:

After over 10 years of serving us so well as our Parish Safeguarding Officer, Sandra Marshall will be stepping down at the end of this year. Over this time, there have been many changes to the law and guidelines surrounding this important area, and Sandra has done an amazing job keeping on top of this, as well as ensuring our processes and approaches reflect what we need to do, and that we all receive the relevant training.

It is hard to thank Sandra enough for all that she has done, and for her diligence and putting so much of herself into a role that has changed and expanded since she took it on.

A massive thank you to you Sandra for who you are, and all that you have done as you have served in this role.

Trudie Wigley

2016 Budget

The finance team are currently working on the financial budget for 2016. Please could you let Tony Prichard or Trudie Wigley know if there are any areas for which you would like to request a budget so that we can plan well. Please pray for the finance team and ECC in their stewardship of our financial gifts, and thank you to everyone for financial giving and gifts which enable the church in its mission in this community.

LOVE CAME DOWN AT CHRISTMAS'...

...and love is what we usually communicate to our friends in the sending of our Christmas cards. However, after careful consideration, I have decided to send **one card only** to my many church friends this year, and display it on the wired cross at St Paul's. The time has come to reassess where my money is best used, so I will be making a donation to the Turning Point Trust instead. I wonder if anyone would care to join me in showing love to others in this way, by bravely sending one card only, and donating the money saved to your favourite worthy cause? With blessings for the coming Christmas season.

Barbara



**New Years Eve Party
Dec 31st 8pm –12pm
St Paul's Centre**

**Bring and share supper
(and your own drinks)
quiz, family games and dancing!**

**All welcome for a
fun family evening.
please let us know if you are coming
so we know numbers.
Margaret & Ray
Tel: 532849**



Vacancies in all departments

We currently have spaces especially for church cleaners, welcome stewards, and refreshment Personnel.
For further information please speak to Diane K. Tel 336420.
Thank you for your support.

Heating at St.Paul's

We are delighted that we have proper heating at St Paul's again. We will be tuning the system over the coming weeks, but please note that the temperature has been set so that you don't need to wear your coat! There is still some finishing off work to do, but at least we have heat again. Please pass any feedback to Diane or Tony, or one of our stewards. Andrew

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by Thursday 3rd December
Tel 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk
(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)