



<b>What's on this week -</b>		
Tuesday 4th August	7.00pm	Evening Prayer at St Tim's:
Thursday 6th August	9:30am 9.00pm	Communion at St Tim's with Ven Caroline Baston Prayer wherever you are: "Building God's House"

### **SERVICES 9th August**

#### **St. Paul's**

10.00am                      Morning Worship                      Paul Tayler  
 Welcome: *Rosemary & Amy*, Teas: *Janice & Shanice*

#### **St. Tim's**

10.30am                      Holy Communion                      Rev'd Stuart Fisher

#### **"Building God's house"**

Thank you for your prayer and thoughts shared over the past couple of months as we seek as a church what it means to build God's house in the area we are called to service. Over the summer please do continue to be a part of the discerning and write your thoughts, vision, dreams, Bible verses – anything which has moved you - on the poster or in the folder in both centres. Also please continue to commit this to prayer and there are lots of ways to do so.

- *August prayer card:* Please do pick up this month's prayer card as we pray as a church.
- *Tuesday morning prayers:* Evening prayer will continue to be held at St Tim's over the summer, with additional morning prayer at St Pauls on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August
- *Thursday evenings at 9pm:* Wherever you may be, why don't you take 5 minutes out and join in spirit with others as we all pray at the same time?

Your ministry team continues to prepare for the away day on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September and we are pleased to share that we will be meeting at Queens Drive Methodist Church where we will have access to the whole centre. More details on the day itself and arrangements will be shared at the beginning of September.

#### **SG1 training —St Tim's –Wednesday August 19th – 7.15pm-9.15am.**

This training is for all those who missed the last session and work with children/youth, are members of ECC, and pastoral leaders. This will not be run again in this parish: anyone unable to attend will need to train with another Parish.

Thank you for all your time with training. *Sandra /Dianne*

### ***For your prayers***

- Holiday Club: We give thanks for the last week and God's faithfulness. For all the children who came, their parents and carers who brought them, and the team of helpers
- For those seeking a better life around the world: thinking particularly of the situation in Calais. We pray for safety, and human flourishing and dignity as a way forward is found
- For those who are unwell: we pray for God's healing, and thank God for those who serve and care for us in the medical profession
- For ourselves: that we may hear what God is asking of us as a church and the faith and trust to follow. Please pray for the ministry team in their preparations for our away-day in September .

**Mid-week worship in August:** We look forward to meeting for our mid-week services over the summer, and our thanks go to those who will be leading us in August, as follows:

August 6<sup>th</sup> St Timothy's Communion led by Ven. Caroline Baston  
August 13<sup>th</sup> St Paul's Morning worship led by Paul Tayler  
August 20<sup>th</sup> St Timothy's Communion led by Canon Revd Judy Ashby  
August 27<sup>th</sup> NO SERVICE

Weekly mid-week communion resumes on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

### **Swindon Deanery visit to Uganda 2016:**

The deanery link is planning a trip to Uganda to meet our brothers and sisters in our 2 link dioceses – Kampala and Luweero. Dorcan's link with Uganda goes back a number of years, with reciprocal visits and we are delighted that Rev'd Duncan Mugume will be visiting the parish in October this year.

If you are interested in joining the trip in 2016 then please pick up a leaflet and also talk with Tony and Jan Prichard about our link and past visits to understand more about this fellowship with our friends in Uganda.

Additionally there is an information and discussion evening planned for 9<sup>th</sup> September - 7:30pm at St John's Haydon Wick to which all are warmly welcome.

### **To all those who come to the FRIDAY CLUB**

Please note that the planned walk around old town with Andy Binks scheduled for the 7th August has had to be **postponed**. We hope to arrange another date and will let you know.

Please inform anyone you know who may not read these notices.

Our next meeting at St. Paul's will be on Friday 25th September.

Thanks. *Anna*

**Future Dates for the diary  
As at August 2015**

***12<sup>th</sup> September 2015***

Autumn Representative Synod  
Bristol Methodist Synod

***19<sup>th</sup> September 2015***

Bristol Diocese Synod

***Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2015***

Dorcan Missional vision away-day

***Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2015***

United Service following Dorcan church away-day

***Early October 2015***

Visit from our Ugandan friends - The Revd Duncan Mugume and Elijah Kyingi

***Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October:***

Dorcan Harvest celebration across all services

Cluster "Songs of Praise" and tea.

5-7pm at St Pauls

***Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October:***

Safeguarding Leadership Training (SG2) at Christ Church 10-4pm  
For Churchwardens, LLMs, supervisors/leaders of children young people's work  
or work with vulnerable adults

***Sunday 11 October 2015***

Revd Duncan preaching at 8:45 St Pauls & 10:30 St Tims

Also opportunity to meet at "Tea & Praise" at 4pm

***Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October***

Parish Officers' Training Day, 10-4pm Chippenham

For Secretary, Treasurer, Churchwardens

***18<sup>th</sup> October 2015***

We welcome the Revd Tony Barnes to St Timothy's  
to lead our communion service.

***Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November***

Quiet Day for Churchwardens - Bristol Cathedral 10-4pm, led by +Lee

***Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November***

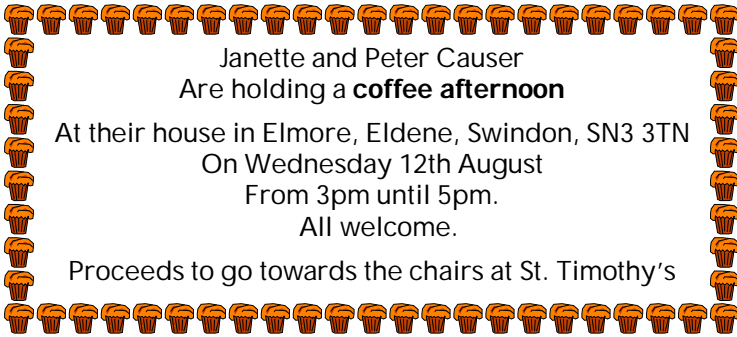
Dorcan Christmas Fayre - Details to follow!

***Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015***

Bristol Diocese Synod

***Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2015***

Revd Mark Barrett, Superintendent North Wiltshire Circuit  
Preaching at our United Service



Janette and Peter Causer  
Are holding a **coffee afternoon**

At their house in Elmore, Eldene, Swindon, SN3 3TN  
On Wednesday 12th August  
From 3pm until 5pm.  
All welcome.

Proceeds to go towards the chairs at St. Timothy's

**The Revd Stuart Fisher – Licensing as Associate Local Minister (OLM)**

Our congratulations to Stuart who was licensed as an Associate Local Minister on Thursday 23th July at the Diocesan Offices in Bristol. This special occasion marked the completion of his curacy which Stuart has committed to over the last years, alongside his full time employment. Stuart is licensed to continue to serve locally to Dorcan, as well as in the wider deanery on an occasional basis. As a church we will be marking this good news in our united service on 6<sup>th</sup> September. We thank Stuart for his continuing ministry amongst us, and we all pass on our congratulations and best wishes. *Trudie Wigley*

**Diocesan Strategy 2016-2018:** We have shared in previous notices about the proposed Diocesan strategy for the next 3 years, and your ECC shared their thoughts in their recent meeting. In addition to those papers previously highlighted, an updated leaflet has been produced – there are copies to take away and it can also be found at:

[http://www.bristol.anglican.org/pdf\\_monthly/2015/draftstrategy2016.compressed.pdf](http://www.bristol.anglican.org/pdf_monthly/2015/draftstrategy2016.compressed.pdf) Please do look at this and consider your response to it. Your ECC and ministry team would welcome your insight and comments.

***Work is to start on relaying the floor in the meeting room and in front of the chair cupboard from Monday 3rd. August. The work is expected to last for several days as the underlying concrete has to be dried.***

*During this time there will be no access to the meeting room or the chair cupboard. The contents of the meeting room will be cleared over the weekend following Holiday Club. If you have any questions please ask.*

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All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to

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