



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church

www.dorcanchurch.org.uk
6th September, 2015

**If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture,
"Love your neighbour as yourself"
You are doing right.**

James 2: 8

SERVICES - 6th September

St. Paul's

10.30am United Rev'd Stuart Fisher
 Holy Communion

In today's service we will be including a time for us to celebrate the ministry of the Dorcan church. In particular, we will be marking The Revd Stuart Fisher's re-licensing as an Associate Local Minister, commissioning the ministry to our Children and Young people as a new school year starts, and celebrating all ministries of the Dorcan church. And as no celebration is complete without cake, please do stay for refreshments and cake after the service.

1.00pm Service of Baptism Rev'd Trudie Wigley

We welcome the families of Harry Stobbs and Jake Leighfield as they are baptised.

Lectionary Readings -

6th Sept. Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23 James 2: 1-10, (11-13), 14-17
 Psalm 125 Mark 7: 24-37

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.**

Tea & Praise – 13th September – review:

Next week we meet for our time of fellowship and praise together. During this time together we will be taking the opportunity to review how it's going, so please do come along with your thoughts and comments.

| What's on this week - | | |
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| Mon. 7th Sept. | 2-4pm | The Monday Club meets at St. Tim's |
| Tuesday 8th Sept. | 9.00am 11.15am 7.30pm | Morning prayer at St Paul's Funeral of Sandra Bell at Christ Church/Kingsdown Joint lay and chapter meeting at Rodbourne Cheney |
| Wednesday 9th Sept. | 9.00am 1.30am 7.30pm 7.30am | Tiny Tots at St Paul's Tiny Tots at St Tim's ECC at St. Tim's 2016 Uganda visit meeting at St John's, Haydon Wick |
| Thurs.10th Sept. | 9.30am | Holy Communion at St Paul's |
| Fri. 11th Sept. | 8.00pm | 24 hours of prayer at Rodbourne Cheney |
| Sat. 12th Sept. | All day | Methodist Representative synod at Kingswood School |

24 hours of prayer for Swindon:

All are invited to 24 hours of prayer for Swindon.
Friday 11th September 8pm to Saturday 12th September 8am
at St Mary's, Rodbourne Cheney.

SERVICES 13th September**St. Paul's**

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| 8.45am | Holy Communion | Colin Parsons and Rev'd Andrew Wigley |
| 10.30am | All Age Service | Sunday Club |
| Welcome: <i>Ignite/Vybe</i> , Teas: <i>Vybe</i> | | |
| 4.00pm | Tea and Praise Service | Rev'ds Trudie and Andrew Wigley |

St. Tim's

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| 10.30am | Morning Worship | Rev'd Andrew Wigley |
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A prayer for Queen Elizabeth 11

Our congratulations to Queen Elizabeth who will become our longest reigning monarch on 9th September. This prayer has been written for the occasion for us to share and pray with others as we celebrate her years of service.

*Almighty God
whose Son Jesus Christ exchanged the glory of a heavenly throne
for the form of a servant
we thank you that you have given Elizabeth our Queen
a heart to serve her people
and have kept her devoted in this service beyond all who were before her:
encourage us by her example to serve one another, and to seek the common good
until you call us all to reign with Christ in your eternal kingdom
Amen*

For your prayers:

- *For refugees:* that there be a compassionate and practical response to the humanitarian crisis from each one of us
- *For the government:* for wisdom and compassion in decisions, and the promotion of the common good
- *Those bereaved:* we pray for God's peace and comfort to those who are in sorrow as they miss a loved one
- *For ECC:* for the agenda and decisions to be made as ECC meets on Wednesday

Building God's House – time to “sign up” for 26th September!

Please see the leaflet and invitation/RSVP cards which are now available in both centres Please do continue to pray for this day, and we look forward to as many of us as possible gathering for this exciting day as we look to the future.

The **Wednesday Small Group** will be meeting again at Brenda B's on the 9th September.

If you are leading a cell group or small group, please let me have details of your starting dates and venues. Thanks *Anna*

Operation Christmas Child

It is time to think once again about filling a **shoe box for Samaritan Purse Operation Christmas Child** project. Leaflets will be in the church centres in due course; Knitted hats will be there this Sunday - please make sure you put in the right size for the age of the child you have chosen to do.

Marie Wheatley has some boxes to be assembled which she has from Samaritan Purse, please ask her for them.

More information on www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk

Please fill your box with toys, with CE labels, balls, musical things, yoyos, things to use in school, paper pens crayons or felt pens solar calculators hats and gloves and hygiene items etc

Shipping donation per shoe box is £3

Collecting date will be advertised in due course

Card Class

Reminder that the next Card class led by Claire is 18th Sept. 9.30am –12.30pm in the back youth room

Please give £9 to me by Sunday 13th Sept. Thanks Sandra

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 9th September 7:30pm at St John's Haydon Wick to which all are warmly welcome.

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

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(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)