

### **Pray for Schools – 7<sup>th</sup> November**

Please join in praying for our local primary and secondary schools, and supporting students and staff. All are welcome to the prayer and commissioning event 7.30 – 9.30pm on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November at Gorse Hill Baptist Church, Cricklade Road, SN2 1AA. As well as praying and hearing about the work of some local schools ministries, Bishop Lee Rayfield will be joining us as we commission workers and volunteers from local churches and organisations for all their work in this coming year.

### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Saturday November 26th**

St. Paul's 11.00am - 2pm

Donations of raffle prizes, items for the hampers, craft, cakes, homemade confectionery - items for the tombola stall etc.

will be most welcome.

Offers of help in setting up and running stalls would be appreciated.

*Diane K. (336420)*

### **You are invited to an 'Advent Angels' Workshop**

At St Timothy's Church, Liden

On Sunday 27th November

between 4.00 and 5.30pm

For children in school years; Reception to Y6

cost £1 per child - Adults Free !

Children, please bring - an adult or two

to stay with you and join in the Fun!

### **An Evening with Henry Olonga** - Sharing the extraordinary story of the Test

Cricketer who motivated by his Faith risked his life in drawing world attention to the extensive abuse of power in Mugabe's Zimbabwe.

Friday 2nd December 7.45pm. By Courtesy at Gateway Church, Westlea SN5 7AR.

Admission by Ticket - £5.50 in advance, £6.50 on the door. Available from Christchurch Office, El Toro Restaurant 6 Devizes Rd. Earl's Newsagents 35 Newport St or by post on Swindon 770331, 700618 or 07788 437526 Meet the man - hear the story. Presented by Swindon United Churches Cricket Club.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Thursday 10th November  
Telephone: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk  
(please let me know if you would like notices by email)



St. Paul's, Covingham

St. Timothy's, Liden

Eldene Church

www.dorcanchurch.org.uk

6th November, 2011

Staff Team:

Rev. Tony Knapp

Tel: 525130

Rev. Beth Brown

Tel: 826444

Rev. Andrew Wigley

Tel: 523810

*Tony & Beth both have Fridays off - Andrew has Tuesdays and Saturdays off.*

*Please avoid contacting them at these times if possible.*

### **SERVICES - 6th November**

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

8.45am

Morning Worship

Paul Tayler

10.30am

Baptism

Andrew Wigley

We welcome the friends and family of Mark & Lindsey Edginton and Henry as they join us this morning for the Baptism of Jack.

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

10.30am

Holy Communion

Beth Brown

Paul Tayler

#### **Eldene**

10.30am

Morning Worship

Barbara Wilcox

*Refreshments are served after the 10.30am services - please stay if you can.*

Lectionary

Rev. 7: 9-17

1 John 3: 1-3

Readings - 6th November

Psalm 34: 1-10

Matt 5: 1-12

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.

<b>SERVICES - 13th November - Remembrance Sunday</b>		
<b>St. Paul's</b>		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp
10.30am	Remembrance Parade	Stuart Fisher
<i>Welcome: Jo &amp; Stan, Teas: Jo &amp; Stan, Sunday Tots: Tina Elias &amp; Lucy Curtis</i>		
<b>6.00pm</b>	Living with Loss	Tony Knapp, Beth Brown & Andrew Wigley
<b>St. Tim's</b>		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Edward Pilkington
<b>Eldene</b>		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp

#### **NEXT WEEK**

Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.

Mon. 7th Nov.	2-4pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes Fellowship & Bible Study at Thorne Road 'Pray for Schools' at Gorse Hill Baptist Church
Tues. 8th Nov.	1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Cell Group at 12 Fitzmaurice Close, Covingham
Wed. 9th Nov.	10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell group at Tregantle Walk, Nythe Open Deanery Synod at St. Michael's, Highworth with speakers about the worldwide church and our Uganda link. Tea/Coffee from 7pm
Thurs. 10th Nov.	10.00am 1.30pm 3.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Paul's Cell Group at Falconscroft Holy Communion at Edgehill, Liden (Formerly Wick House) Cell Group - Austen Crescent Cell Group - Sutton Road, Eldene Cell Group - Sedebrook, Liden

**Prayer Initiative.** For the next few weeks we will be praying for the residents of Kestral Drive, Bittern Rd, Lapwing Close and Partridge Close. Please also remember them in your private prayers.

**LIVING WITH LOSS** - There will be a special service at 6.00pm on Remembrance Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November at St. Paul's, when we will remember those we love who are no longer with us. We will be sending invitations to all the families who have had a funeral conducted by Tony or Beth within the past 12 months. If you know of any others, perhaps neighbours or friends, who would appreciate this service, please give them one of the extra invitations which will be available at each church centre. Everyone is welcome, whether you have experienced bereavement or not.

**Swindon Youth for Christ** are badly in need of funds & I have committed to some fundraising. I am preparing for a sale next June but need to start now! I am making craft items e.g. material shoulder bags, hand-bags, purses & lavender bags. If anyone has spare oddments of new material, buttons, sequins, felt, or ribbon please let me know, I can collect. Also if anyone would like to make any items, or offer help on the stall next June please also let me know. *Elizabeth* tel: 497910

**ROTA DEC - FEB 2012** - Please let me know any dates you cannot complete for the next rota. Thanks. *Sandra*

#### **Christmas Care**

Once again the shelter will be open over the Christmas period at Queen's Drive Methodist Church. This venture is supported by churches throughout Swindon. We can all help by offering to serve as a volunteer (meetings at 8pm on 10<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Nov.), or by donating items. The project requires sleeping bags, bedding, towels, toiletries, warm clothing, shoes, food, and money to cover expenses. For more information see website [www.christmascare.co.uk](http://www.christmascare.co.uk) or contact John 827627; Diane 336420; Betty 485483; or Patsy 642368.

#### **Donations for the Swindon MS Therapy Centre**

Tracy has not been able to take part this year in the fund-raising adventure in the Brecon Beacons. Many of you kindly sponsored Tracy in previous years; perhaps this year you may like to make a donation in the special container at St. Paul's: or give your donation to the warden at St. Tim's or Eldene. Thank you.

#### **Plastic beakers for Christmas Fayre**

Please take a plastic beaker and fill it with small items/sweets suitable for an adult or a child, for our stall at the Christmas Fayre. Please return your filled beakers to me, the container in church, or bring it to the church on the Friday evening before the Fayre on the Saturday. Many thanks. *Cathy Knapp*