



**St. Paul's, Covingham**  
**St. Timothy's, Liden**  
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14th February 2016

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



**“For God so loved the world that  
He gave his one and only Son,  
That whoever believes in him  
Shall not perish but have eternal life”**

John 3:16

## **SERVICES - 14th February**

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

8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Stuart Fisher
10.30am	All Age Service	Ignite and Vybe
4.00pm	Tea & Praise	Rev'd Trudie and Andrew Wigley

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

10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott
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This morning Neil Marshall is at Stratton and Andrew Wigley at Queens Drive supporting the wider Methodist circuit

Readings 14th February	Jeremiah 17: 5-10 Psalm 1	1 Corinthians 15: 12-20 Luke 6: 17-26
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**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 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 15th February	2-4pm	Monday Club - Scrabble and Dominoes
Tuesday 16th February		Men's Fellowship Group -44 Ecklington, Eldene "The History of Swindon"
Wednesday 17th February	9.00am 1.30pm	NO Tiny Tots at St Paul's (Half term) NO Tiny Tots at St Tim's (Half term)
Thursday 18th February	9.30am 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Tim's SCT Lecture Dr Leslie Griffiths at New College Living in a divided world: Faith and Politics
Friday 19th February	2-4pm	The Friday Club - Talk on Lydiard House, 'Riches, Ruin and Restoration'

**Lent Course – Life Calling – starting this week!**

We had a great start to our lent course last week with a splendid lunch and time of fellowship. We are delighted that more than 60 people have signed up for our Lent Course, "Life Calling" and we pray that this will be special time as we journey together and consider God's life calling for us personally and as a church.

So far, there has been insufficient interest in attending a one-day offering of the course on Saturday 5th March. So, if you have yet to sign up for that Saturday, please do so by 21st February in case it is possible to run a course that day.

**SERVICES 21st February****St. Paul's**

10.30am Morning Worship Rev'd Stuart Fisher

Welcome: *Mari & Diane*, Teas: *Rosemary & Amy* Sunday Club: Jo & Niki

4.00pm Messy Church The Team !

**St. Tim's**

10.30am Holy Communion Canon Judy Ashby

**The Revd. John Monaghan:**

We will be welcoming John to be with us from 28<sup>th</sup> February to 10<sup>th</sup> April. John is in his final year of curacy at Malmesbury Abbey and is with us to gain experience in a different context, and I'm sure we will also learn a lot from him too!

John will be preaching at 10:30 at St Paul' on 28<sup>th</sup> February and will be involved in a number of things in his time with us. We look forward to warmly welcoming him.

**Building God's house – update now available**

We committed as a ministry team to giving an update on where we are so far with Building God's house, together with plans for next few months.

We committed to this next phase at our covenant service last Sunday, and further copies are available today so please take one.

**Walk of witness: Good Friday**

Having considered further, we are looking at arranging a walk of witness on Good Friday at 11am starting from St Paul's.

For this to be a convincing witness to the community it would be appropriate for a meaningful number of people to join together for this event. Are you willing and able to walk with us? Everyone is welcome.

So that we can plan accordingly, please could you let any member of the ministry team know if you are willing to commit to this by 28<sup>th</sup> February. We will then be able to make a decision on whether to go ahead and then plan accordingly. Thank you. The ministry team.

**Your prayers - for**

- The holding of the “cessation of hostility in Syria” agreement by world powers
- A way through the current doctor's contract disagreement
- For pupils, students, teachers and staff that they may be recharged over the break this week
- For ourselves this Lent, that it may be a space for curiosity, time and courage

**The Bishop's letter for Lent: "Curiosity, time and courage: Which of these needs attention if you are going to put yourself in the way of listening and responding to God?"**

+Lee has written a challenging letter to us all as we prepare to enter the season of Lent. This speaks to us as a church as we start out Lent course as well as personally. Do take a read and pray about what God might be saying through it. The letter can be found at:

<http://www.bristol.anglican.org/2016/bishops-letter-a-season-for-curiosity-time-and-courage/#sthash.WIAi9gru.dpuf>

**St. Paul's Tiny Tots**

Just to confirm there is no Tiny Tots next week as its half-term.

We would ask you to remember in prayer all those we meet weekly. There were 45 children there on Wednesday, so that's about 40 mum's, dad's, grandparents and carers and we as a Team would appreciate knowing people are backing us with their prayers.

The conversations we have are so varied and often very personnel and we want God to make a difference in their lives. Thank you in advance.

*St.Paul's Tiny Tots Team.*

**Swindon Borough Council Notification of Carriageway Resurfacing – Kingfisher Drive**

The works are programmed to start on Monday 15 February and take 10 days to complete, (08.00 to 18.00hrs daily). To enable the work to be carried out Kingfisher Drive will either be closed, in which case a diversion will be in place, or have traffic control established.

Access to residential properties will be maintained but delays may occur. Residents are requested not to park their vehicles on the road during the above times.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to  
Anna Newman by Thursday 18th February  
Tel 695698 or email [anagram673@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:anagram673@hotmail.co.uk)  
(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)