

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

www.dorcanchurch.org.uk 14th April, 2013

Staff Team: Rev. Beth Brown Tel: 826444
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Beth has Fridays off - Andrew has Tuesdays and Saturdays off. Please avoid contacting them at these times if possible.

# **SERVICES - 14th April**

8.45am Morning Worship Paul Tayler

10.30am Holy Communion Andrew Wigley

(Sunday Tots: tba, Sunday Club, Nathalie Marshall & Helen Newnan)

### St Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Beth Brown

#### Eldene

10.30am Morning Worship Melanie Griffiths

**Lectionary Readings** Acts 9: 1-6, 7-20 Rev. 5: 11-14 **14th April** Psalm 30 John 21: 1-19

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.

# SERVICES—Sunday 21st April

#### St. Paul's

8.45am Holy Communion Stuart Fisher

10.30am Morning Worship Paul Tayler

Welcome: Martin & Simone, Teas: Hazel & Alison

(Sunday Tots: tba, Sunday Club, Jo Kirkland & Niki Thompson)

### St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Stuart Fisher

Eldene

10.30am Morning Worship Alex Scott

NEXT WEEK -	Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.		
Mon. 15th April	2-4pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominos at St. Tim's Fellowship and Bible Study at Thorne Road, Eldene.	
Tues. 16th April	10.00am 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Tim's Cell Group at Fitzmaurice Close	
Wed. 17th April	9.30am 10.45am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Cell Group— Ravenscroft, Covingham Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell Group— Tregantle Walk, Nythe	
Thurs.18th April	9.30am 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Paul's. Cell Group - 32 Austen Crescent, Liden Cell Group - 28 Bryanston Way, Nythe	

### NEW ELECTORAL ROLL

Thank you to all those who gave back their completed forms - there has been an excellent response. A copy of the new Electoral Roll is in each Centre today. Please can you check your entry and correct any mistakes. Any additional names will be added after the AGM on Sunday 28th April. *Joan McCann* 

# Thank you...Thank you...Thank you...

 $\dots$ For your wonderful birthday wishes, cards, flowers and treats, that went to make my birthday celebration such a happy occasion. You are such a special group of people, and I thank God for you all .

Yours in Christ, Barbara W.

## **Prayer for the Dorcan Church**

guidance.

During our meetings with Melanie Griffiths, who is guiding us through the 'vacancy' process, we have been asked to scrutinise our church life in ways we probably have never done before. After all... church just 'happens' doesn't it??? Well yes it does... but is it 'happening' in the best way possible, and are we looking for God's direction, or just muddling through in our own strength? Big questions I know... questions that require thinking about carefully, and praying about.

To that end, some of us met for prayer last Saturday morning. During our prayer time, we recognised and thanked God for all the good things that happen within this church. We then prayed for His guidance for the future. We also prayed that God would bless and prepare the heart of our new Minister, whoever she or he may be. I'm sure many of you are praying for exactly the same things in your own private prayers, but it would also be good if you could join us when we meet again...It's all quite non threatening, and will last under an hour... you may pray silently or openly, as you wish, and there will be some

The next date will be Saturday, April 20th at 9.00 am, at St. Paul's. I realise this date may not suit everyone, but if you can't join us, perhaps you may be able to pray at home at the same time.

Barbara W.

<u>Adults:</u> If you have not been **CONFIRMED** and would like to consider following the **Preparation Course** please speak to **Stuart, Andrew or Beth asap. Please note:** In following the Preparation Course you are not committing to be confirmed; you will be given guidance as you consider it.

<u>Children Receiving Holy Communion:</u> If your child / children are aged 7+ and are not yet receiving Holy Communion, maybe discuss with them about following the short, 4 Session, Course of Preparation.

Following the course does not signify a committed decision at this stage .

Anyone interested in arranging a **SAFARI supper** please come to a meeting to plan one on Monday 29th April, 8pm, 6 Sutton Road, Eldene (Nathalie and Neil's house). We hope to run this as Christian Aid themed and based on the LOAF (Local Organic Animal friendly Fairtrade) principles. All input welcome, especially from anyone who has organised one of these before! More information please contact Nathalie on Tel 421549

Spring cleaning, having a good sort out? We are looking for good quality 'bits and bobs' for a **POT POURRI Emporium** to be held at St Pauls Saturday May 18th, 10 - 12.30 to raise funds for CHRISTIAN AID. Offers of help, would be greatly appreciated, we shall also be providing refreshments, so cakes etc will also be welcome. Please contact Diane 336420 for further details

"Due to the Turning Point 10 year celebration event the **card-making class** originally planned for the 6th July will now take place on the 22nd June from 9.30 - 12.30. Cost £8. In Sandra's absence please contact Colleen if you are interested in attending.

<u>Prospect Hospice</u> are organising their annual 'Starlight Walk' (see flyer at the back of church) on Sat 22nd June 2013. I'm planning to take part for the first time this year, and would welcome any others who wish to join me.

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

Anna Newman by Thursday 18th April

Tel: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk (please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)