

Church and School working together for the children of East Swindon

Thank you to everyone who offered to help with the Y Crew at Nythe. Pam and Jan are going to be sharing out the weeks between them. **Helpers still needed** for the Y Crew at Liden on Tuesday afternoons from 3.05 - 4.15pm. Starting on the 18th or maybe the 25th January. Ideally I need 2 helpers for this as we have a larger number of children. CRB check required. Please e.mail me asap if you can help.

I would value your prayers this coming week for ...

- Helpers for the Liden Y Crew club to come forward.
- Nythe Y Crew club - please pray that a good number will attend.
- Schools to book up for the Living Church experience.
- The RE lessons at Bishopstone to go well.

Thank you. *Abi*

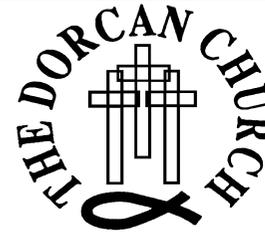
It's an astonishing fact that over 80 million chocolate Easter eggs are sold each year in the UK. Even more astonishing is the fact that not one of them mentions Jesus on the box.

The **Real Easter Egg** is the UK's first and only Fairtrade Easter egg to explain the Christian understanding of Easter on the pack, and it gives a sizeable donation from profits to charitable projects.

It would be great if all our supermarkets stocked the Real Easter Egg everywhere, but we need to prove demand before they will. To do this we really need churches across the UK to order and pay for a supply of Real Easter Eggs for their church. Real Easter Eggs cost £4.50 each which includes the charitable donation, VAT and delivery.

Orders need to be placed by 31st January - to order please see Nathalie Marshall. More information at www.realeasteregg.co.uk

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Thursday 20th January
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
16th January 2011

Staff Team:	Rev. Tony Knapp	Tel: 525130
	Rev. Beth Brown	Tel: 747926
	Mrs. Wendy Tucker	Tel: 727280

*Tony & Beth both have Fridays off - please avoid contacting them if possible.
Wendy is not available Monday daytime and Saturdays.*

SERVICES - 16th January

St. Paul's

8.45am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler
10.30am	Morning Worship	Neil Marshall

Refreshments after this service - please stay if you can

St Tim's

10.30am	Holy Communion	David Parsons
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Eldene

10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott
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A warm welcome to David & Christine Parsons.

David is leading the worship at St. Tim's this morning.

Lectionary Readings	Isaiah 49:1-7	1 Cor 1: 1-9
16th January	Psalm 40: 1-11	Jn 1: 29-42

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.

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

Mon. 17th Jan	2-4pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes at St. Tim's Fellowship and Bible Study - Thorne Road
Tues. 18th Jan	1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Cell Group - Fitzmaurice Close, Cov.
Wed. 19th Jan	10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Worship at St. Tim's (Wendy) Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell Group - Tregantle Walk, Nythe
Thurs. 20th Jan	10.00am 1.30pm 3.00pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Worship at St. Paul's (Tony) Cell Group - Falconcroft, Covingham Holy Communion at Wick House (Beth) Cell Group - Austen Cres. Liden Cell Group - Sutton Road, Eldene Cell Group - Sedebrook, Liden

SERVICES - 23rd January

St. Paul's

8.45am	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp
10.30am	All Age Worship	Wendy Tucker

Welcome: Jenny Poole, Teas: Dianna & Janice, Crèche: Cathy Knapp

St. Tim's

10.30am	Baptism	Beth Brown
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Eldene

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Prayer Initiative For the next few weeks we will be praying for the residents of Gibbs Close, Passmore Close, Dobbin Close & Gantletdene. Please also remember them in your private prayers.

Paul's Licensing at Bristol Cathedral

At 10.30am on Saturday 19th February Paul Tayler will be Licensed as a Lay Minister for the Dorcan Church. Would you be interested in travelling by coach to Bristol to support Paul? Please contact Marilyn on 861657 **immediately**, - not many places left.

A Pastoral Care Course will begin on Monday 17th January and will continue for 4-5 weeks. The sessions will start at 7.45pm and the first one will be held at Wendy's - Duchess Way, Upper Stratton, SN3 7TE. The course is for Pastoral Visitors and all who offer care in the church and community. If you would like to spend some time thinking about your Christian caring, wherever you do it, please join us. If you are not able to come to all the sessions, please speak to Wendy as it may still be possible to join in.
Wendy Tel: 727280

Andrew & Trudie Wigley

Last Saturday our ministers and wardens met Andrew and Trudie who had come from their home in Reading to visit Swindon. In September Andrew will be taking up the post of Methodist Probationary Minister at Dorcan and Queen's Drive.

Andrew and Trudie are expecting to live in Merlin Way with their 2 children, Ben (age 5) and Grace (age 4). They have also been looking at local schools for the children.

While Andrew has been training for the Methodist Ministry at Queen's, Birmingham, Trudie has been training for the Anglican ministry - they are a very ecumenical family! Trudie is hoping to arrange a curacy at an Anglican church in Swindon.

Both Andrew and Trudie are enthusiastic about their faith. Andrew has a range of experience, including preaching, leading music groups and working with children and young people. We look forward to getting to know them and their family. Please pray for Andrew and Trudie in the rest of their training; for Trudie's search for a suitable curacy post; and for Ben and Grace that they will soon settle in and be happy at their new school.

A History of the Dorcan Church

Christine Parsons has been gathering material about the history of the Dorcan Church. Tony Prichard has edited it all into a single document which those of you with access to the internet can view at <http://dorcanchurch.org.uk/History.pdf> or find it via the 'News' page on the church web site. Please have a read and let us know if you can add anything or know of any corrections that need to be made. Sadly a large amount of work by Nigel Sharpe has been lost. If people have contributed and would like to send in what they gave him, we would like to receive it. There is a possibility that someone has a copy which would be gratefully received. You can send comments or suggestions to Tony by e.mail at Church.history@dorcanchurch.org.uk. If you would like to see a paper copy please contact Tony Tel: 520734