

Advance Notice – HARVEST Sunday 2nd October (9th October at St Tim’s)

We will soon be celebrating Harvest at the Dorcan Church, thanking God for his goodness to us. If you wish to bring HARVEST GIFTS, they will be donated as in previous years. Tins and packets will be shared between the Food Bank, Broadgreen Breakfast Club, and the Filling Station; fresh produce will be given to the Women's Refuge.

The **Quiz Night** held last weeknd raised £80 for church funds. Thanks to all those who supported this event. *Jean*

The Mayor of Swindon’s Charity Music Night

Come along at 7pm on Friday 30th September to Stratton Community Centre in Grange Drive to enjoy many local performers and bands, and to support 3 local charities:

The Open Door Centre – day centre for adults with a learning disability

The Rowdy Bunch - youth club for teenagers with disabilities

Football in the Community – for everyone including those with disabilities

Tickets cost £10 for adults or £6 for under-12s. Contact Open Door 512357 (or speak to Marion Lovell);

Stratton Community Centre 825525; or Mayor Ray Ballman 694584.

A **Macmillan Coffee Morning** will be held at St. Timothy’s Church Hall on Saturday 1st October from 10am. *Sarah*

LADIES

THEY ARE BACK !!!!

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE GREAT SAVINGS AND HAVE A GOOD TIME

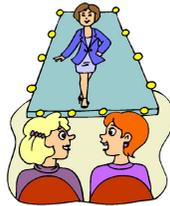
Travelling Trends fashion show

TUESDAY October 11th - Doors open 7pm

Show starts at 7.30pm. At St. Paul’s Church Centre.

Admission by ticket £5.00 from Diane Killick and church wardens.

Bring your friends, neighbours, family, enjoy a fun evening and help raise much needed funds. Diane K. 336420



All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Thursday 22nd September
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
18th September, 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 - 18th September

St. Paul’s

8.45am Holy Communion Tony Knapp

10.30am Morning Worship Neil Marshall

St Tim’s

10.30am Holy Communion Edward Pilkington

Eldene

10.30am Holy Communion Tony Knapp

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

Lectionary Exodus 16: 2-15 Philip 1: 21-30
Readings - 18th Sept. Psalm 105: 1-6 Matt. 20: 1-16

Back to Church Sunday – 25th September

At our united service last Sunday you should have been given a special card for inviting your friends to this special Sunday at church. Extra invitation cards are available at all 3 centres – do take more if you need them, and pray for your special guest(s)! Please pray for those leading worship next Sunday, and for all of us as we welcome our visitors.

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 - 25th September - Back to Church Sunday		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Beth Brown
10.30am	Morning Worship	Tony Knapp
<i>Welcome: Denis Goacher, Teas: Diana K. & Janice C., Crèche: Tina Elias</i>		
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Stuart Fisher
Eldene		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Beth Brown

NEXT WEEK		
Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.		
Mon. 19th Sept.	2-4pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes at St. Tim's Fellowship & Bible Study at 7 Thorne Road
Tues. 20th Sept.	1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's NO Cell Group at Fitzmaurice Close.
Wed. 21st Sept.	10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell group at Tregantle Walk.
Thurs. 22nd Sept.	10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Paul's Cell Group at Falconscroft, Covingham Cell Group - Austen Cresc. Liden Cell Group - Sutton Road, Eldene Cell Group - Sedgebrook, Liden

The Monday Club evening meeting is on 26th September at 7.30pm at St. Tim's when Pam Chadwick is coming to tell us about the service "Dressability" which provides for disabled and elderly people, adapting their clothes to make them easier to put on. Everyone welcome. £1.20 to include Coffee/Tea & Biscuits.

Prayer Initiative. For the next few weeks we will be praying for the residents of Magpie Lane, Osprey Close and The Owlets. Please also remember them in your private prayers.

Shoe Boxes - Once again it is time to think about shoe boxes and get busy buying the things to fill them for the children overseas who really appreciate receiving them. Leaflets will be in the three church centres in due course. If you need to know more, please phone me on Swindon 692004. *Christine*

St Paul's Sunday Club

Last Sunday we thanked those who have been helping the children in Sunday Club for many years. They have given so much, and are now able to take part in our worship each Sunday.

Over the summer new plans have been formed for our children:

Every Sunday pre-school children may stay in the church service with their parents, or they may join the under-fives group in the snug. (Let's call them "Sunday Tots"!)

At an All Age or Parade service, children of primary school age will continue to stay and take part in the whole service.

Once or twice a month we will provide activity packs for children instead of the Sunday Club. Children are encouraged to sit with their parents or carers, and after an initial time of worship all together, they can use the materials in the activity pack, including story books, puzzles and other items linked to the theme of the service.

Once or twice a month the children will go out to the Sunday Club. Generally they will be included in the beginning and the end of the worship, so that they will spend a shorter time in Sunday Club than before – about 30 minutes. Jo has kindly offered to coordinate this. Each time Jo or Nathalie will lead the Sunday Club, assisted by a helper.

We have been taking advice and have obtained new resources for the club as well as the activity packs. The programme will be varied, including games, music and videos. We will of course ensure that all leaders and helpers have CRB checks and appropriate training. We already have a list of volunteers, and there is always room for more on the rota as helpers or leaders, both for Sunday Club and for the under-fives. It is still our aim that any individual should be on the rota only once per month.

We started the new pattern with activity packs on 4th September, and then the first Sunday Club session on 11th September. After a few months we will review progress, and hope to extend the Sunday Club to cover more Sundays. Many thanks to all who've offered to help!