

**in:School** Abi writes -

The week that was -

Christmas unwrapped = A success

Christingle = A success

Liden Carol Service at St. Tim's Church = A success

Thank you for all your help and support this term - I really appreciate it and I know the schools do. Please start thinking ahead to term 3 and whether you can help out with 'The Living Church' and any clubs @ Liden and Nythe.

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

- Good health
- A nice relaxing Christmas

Thank you and have a great Christmas and new year. *Abi*

**Toys for the NSPCC.** The toys were received with great appreciation and wonder at the generosity of you all. A great big thank you is sent; the toys will all go to the Family centre in Penhill.

#### **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 Stott on 861657 so she will know if there are enough people interested to make a coach booking possible at about £10 each.

#### **Madeira 11 day Walking Holiday 8-19th January**

Dorcan Walkers have 1 spare place for a female to share a twin room. The trip would suit a non walker as there's a lot going on in the hotel during the day, you can enjoy exploring Funchal, take coach excursions around the island or just relax. The group will be together during the evening for dinner and the hotel has a full entertainment programme. Cost £550 approx, can be paid in instalments and includes transport to Bristol Airport. Contact Brenda for more information on 497169

We have an opportunity to experience the true story by watching '**The Nativity**' **Monday to Thursday on BBC1 at 7pm.** Let's pray that it is close to the true story - and that many will watch it.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Thursday 6th 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  
19th & 26th Dec.2010 and 2nd Jan 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 - 19th December - Advent 4**

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

8.45am	Holy Communion	Beth Brown
10.30am	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp & Paul Tayler

*Refreshments after this service - please stay if you can*

6.30pm	Carols by Candlelight	Wendy Tucker & Beth Brown
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##### **St Tim's**

10.30am	At Eldene	
<b>4.00pm</b>	Carols by Candlelight	Wendy Tucker & Beth Brown

##### **Eldene**

10.30am	Holy Communion	Beth Brown
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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.

<b>SERVICES FOR THE NEXT THREE WEEKS</b>		
<b>24th December - Christmas Eve</b>		
<b>St. Paul's</b>		
<b>4.00pm</b>	Nativity Service	
<b>11.30pm</b>	Midnight Holy Communion	Beth Brown
<b>25th December - Christmas Day</b>		
<b>St. Tim's</b>		
<b>8.45am</b>	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp
<b>St. Paul's</b>		
<b>10.00am</b>	Christmas Celebration	Beth Brown/Wendy Tucker
<b>26th December - Boxing Day</b>		
<b>NO SERVICES</b> today in the Dorcan Church. You are welcome at the Circuit Service at 10.00am at Bath Road Methodist Church		
<b>2nd January</b>		
<b>St. Paul's</b> 10.30am	United Covenant Service With Holy Communion	Tony Knapp & Beth Brown
No other services today in the Dorcan Church		
<b>9th January</b>		
<b>St. Paul's</b>		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp
10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott
<b>St. Tim's</b>		
10.30am	Morning Worshiup	Barbara Wilcox
<b>Eldene</b>		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Tony Knapp

<b>Midweek Communion Services</b>
St. Tim's - Wednesday 22nd December at 10.00am. (Next Communion 5th January)
St. Paul's - Thursday 23rd December at 10.00am. (Next Communion 6th Jan. - Epiphany)

**Christmas Eve Nativity.** This year the Nativity Service is at 4pm, so rehearsals will start at 2pm for school-age children: and 3pm for younger children.

#### **Next 3 weeks**

The weekly groups are generally taking a break over Christmas and New Year. Please check with the group leaders for when they start again in January. Tiny Tots resumes on 11th January at St. Paul's, and 12th January at St. Tim's

#### **Christmas Greetings**

Tony and Cathy, Beth and Wendy would like to thank all of you for your Christmas greetings and cards. We wish you all a Happy Christmas, and God's blessing for the New Year.

**Prayer Initiative** For the next few weeks we will be praying for the residents of Baskerville, Popplechurch and Honeybone Walk. Please also remember them in your private prayers.

**THANK YOU to Derek Owen** for your dedication over so many years playing the organ at St. Tim's, and editing our Church Magazine too. We will miss you; and we wish you and Shirley every happiness in your new home in Lawn.

**THANK YOU** everyone who came to the Liden Arms on Friday 10th Dec. for Community Carol Singing. It was such a contrast to carols in our church building - an enlightening experience for us, and appreciated by many in the pub. Special thanks to Pete for the music. Thank you also to the Carol Singers in Osprey Close! It's great to be taking 'Church' into the community.

**THANK YOU** to the teams who presented Christmas Unwrapped at St. Tim's and St. Paul's. Your hard work was much appreciated by very many children and staff from our local primary schools. Our purpose was to make sure the children know the real story of Christmas. *Tony*

And **Thank You** to all those who made cakes for the teachers of the schools we have contact with. They were very much appreciated.

Good Wishes and remembrances from **Keith Roberts.** (He was a former Methodist Minister at Dorcan) I'm sure many of you will remember him.