



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

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22nd February, 2015

**First Sunday of Lent**  
**Week 1 of Lent course**  
**“Seasons of Change”**

*“There is a time for everything,  
And a season for every activity under heaven”*  
Ecclesiastes 3:1

### **SERVICES - 22nd February**

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

8.45am Holy Communion Rev'd Stuart Fisher  
and Barbara Wilcox

10.30am Morning Worship Beth Lamb  
and Rev'd Trudie Wigley

*Sunday Club:* activity packs; Ignite and Vybe are meeting

4.00pm “Mini” Messy Church Hannah Mulcock

**St. Tim's** 10.30am Morning Worship Barbara Wilcox

This Sunday Andrew Wigley is at Queens Drive

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land:** On Tuesday this week, a group departs for the Holy Land organised by Paul Tayler and a number of the Dorcan church will be going. Please do pray for them – for smooth and safe travels and for their spiritual journey as they visit this special place. They go with our love and prayers and we look forward to hearing about it when they return. God bless you all.

**Lectionary** Gen. 9: 8-18 1 Peter 3: 18-22  
**Readings:** 22nd February Psalm 25: 1-10 Mark 1: 9-15

**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.**

In order to mark the start of **fairtrade fortnight** today's flowers at St Pauls are fairtrade. What will you buy fairtrade for the first time this year? Keep an eye out for special offers!! Any questions about fairtrade please do ask. *Nathalie*

### THIS WEEK

Monday 23rd February	2-4pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes at St. Tim's Fellowship Group— Thorne Rd. Eldene
Tuesday 24th February	10.00am 7.30pm 7.30pm	Lent Group— Ridge Nether Moor, Liden Men's Fellowship Group— Blakeney Ave. Cell Group— Fitzmaurice Cl. Covingham Group departs for pilgrimage to Holy Land
Wednesday 25th February	9.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell Group— Tregantle Walk, Nythe
Thursday 26th February	9.30am# PM 7.00pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St Pauls (TW) Covingham Park School KS1 assembly Diocesan Synod at Toothill (TW) Cell Group— White Edge Moor, Liden Cell Group— Thirlmere, Liden Lent Group— Sutton Road, Eldene
Saturday 28th February	All day	Diocesan Synod at Toothill (TW)

### SERVICES - 1st March

#### St. Paul's

10.30am      United service with Communion      The Rev'd Andrew Wigley  
Welcome: *Rosemary & Amy*, Teas: *Hazel & friend*,  
12.45pm      Baptism of Lily Olive Lewis      The Rev'd Trudie Wigley

**Visiting preachers:** Do put these dates in your diary as we welcome a number of preachers to lead us in worship over the coming months:

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March:    The Ven Christine Froude, Archdeacon of Bristol  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April:    The Revd A. Ward Jones, Chair of Bristol District  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June:      Jon and Jo Parsons

Dear Friends,

**Thank you once again** for your contributions to the Children Society, the boxes have been opened and I have forward a total of £177.91p; my thanks also to Sue Bond who counter-checked the opening. If anyone would wish to hold a box please speak to me about this. *Brenda Robinson.*

### **For your prayers -**

- The work of Fairtrade that it may continue to spread and be widely acceptable
- For the group from our church travelling to the Holy Land, may they have a safe journey, and a Blessed experience.
- For all refugees, in particular those arriving in Italy
- Our Lent course, 'Seasons of Renewal' that we may learn and grow, both personally and together, as we make the journey towards Easter

### **Lent course – “Seasons of Renewal”:**

- **Thank you!** Last Sunday we had a wonderful lunch to mark the launch of our Lent course and thank you to Colleen and the team for a delicious lunch together. There was a lovely buzz and good conversation, so a great way to mark the beginning of our learning together.
- **Cell groups are starting this week!** It is not too late to join a cell group as we follow our Lent material this year. You'll find details of which courses are running when and where and by whom in this leaflet, so please don't miss the opportunity to learn and grow together.

### **Job opportunity - Café Supervisor:**

The Rock Café at St John's Church, Haydon Wick has been at the heart of the community for nearly five years and due to its success and continuing popularity, they are looking to employ a part time supervisor to oversee the supervision of the café on Fridays and alternate Saturdays, to include planning the rotas, shopping and overseeing the running of the Rock Café.

If you have catering and supervisory experience they would love to hear from you. For the job description and person specification please contact Janice Heath, Church Administrator on 01793 726000 or email [parishoffice@stjohnshaydonwick.org.uk](mailto:parishoffice@stjohnshaydonwick.org.uk)

***Messy Church!*** *Messy Church will be held at St Paul's Church on the 3rd Sunday of each month (though the launch date is the 22nd March).*

*If you have already volunteered or are interested in finding out more, please attend a meeting at St. Paul's TODAY, 22nd February 4pm-6pm . This meeting is important for finding out more about the roles I would like you to play and how Messy Church will work. If you are unable to attend please email me at [hannah.mulcock@gmail.com](mailto:hannah.mulcock@gmail.com) Hannah*

**Lent voices:** As part of the 10,000 Voices initiative, the Diocese of Bristol has put together a series of 40 personal and thought-provoking stories of faith each day between Ash Wednesday and Holy Saturday.

This year, during the Lenten season of reflection, we are encouraged to read these individual perspectives on the difference Christ has made to people's lives, and to pray and reflect on their experiences and insights, and each testimony is accompanied by some points and scripture to contemplate on to help our reflections.

To follow in this initiative please visit <http://www.bristol.anglican.org/2015/lent-voices/> where you can sign up to follow by Twitter, Facebook or email. It would be good if as many of us as possible were to sign up and to take our reflections on the stories into our Lent groups to share with others.

**Living Wage:** Both the Church of England and The Methodist Church are committed to being living Wage employers. Swindon Churches Together is looking for help in gathering information about employment and pay in Swindon to facilitate discussions with our Swindon MPs in the run up to the General Election. Please could you consider helping by completing the survey by 15<sup>th</sup> March at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7ZT9FSC> Thank you.

This year's **Women's World Day of Prayer Service** will take place at Holy Family Church, Shaftesbury Avenue at 6pm on Friday 6th March. All welcome.

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

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(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)