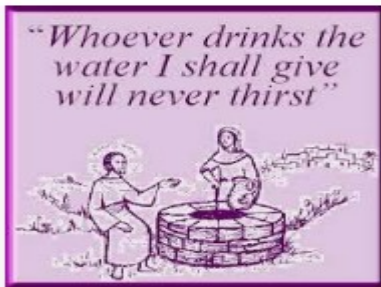




St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
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*Transforming lives and communities
Knowing Jesus and making Him known*



**SERVICES - Sunday 3rd March 2024
Lent 3**

St. Paul's

9.15am	Prayer Breakfast	Rev Trudie Wigley
10.30am	United Morning Worship	Deacon Stephen Roe

St Tim's

	No Service	
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Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 3rd March 2024, Alex is at Stratton and Stephen is at Fitzwarren Court supporting the wider Circuit.

**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 10th March 2024 Lent 4		
St Paul's		
08.45am	Holy Communion	Rev Trudie Wigley
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Stuart Fisher
St Tim's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Neil Marshall

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 10th March 2024, Stephen is at Rodbourne supporting the wider Circuit.

What's On This Week		
Monday 4th March	Time	Event
Liden	9.00am - 10.15am	School Assembly - Rev Trudie Wigley
St Paul's	9.00am - 3.30pm	Easter Cracked Open
St Tim's	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Knit and Chat
Tuesday 5th March	Time	Event
St Tim's	10.00am - 12.00pm	CID's Café Too
St Paul's	10.00am - 12.00pm	CID's Coffee Morning
St Paul's	12.30pm - 2.00pm	Lent Lunch - Small hall - Rev Stuart Fisher
St Tim's	2.00pm - 3.15pm	Prayer Group
St Paul's	4.15pm - 5.45pm	Centre Management Meeting
	Continued over	

What's On This Week (Continued)

Wednesday 6th March	Time	Event
St Paul's	10.00am - 11.00am	Morning Prayers
St Paul's	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Tiny Tots
St Tim's	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Tiny Tots
St Paul's	6.00pm - 7.30pm	Blaze for School Year 2 - 6
St Paul's	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Youth Club for School Year 7+
Friday 8th March	Time	Event
St Paul's	9.00am - 1.00pm	Easter Cracked Open
St Tim's	10.00am - 12.00pm	Food Collective - Paul

LLM Weekend Conference

Thank you to all those who prayed for us at the LLM weekend conference. We had a really positive, worthwhile time and attended some interesting sessions.

It was also a good opportunity to meet up with other LLM's from all across the diocese.

Please feel free to ask us anything you'd like about the weekend!
Sue Morgans and Paul Taylor

Do you buy greetings cards?

There is a box of hand decorated cards in the church at St. Paul's, donations of £1 per card, all proceeds to the roof fund. Please consider the cards that you need to buy this year and ask a church steward for the box. Also available on Tuesdays, 10-12am during Cid's coffee morning. I've left a box for any used cards that you may have at home as these can be remade into new ones. Thank you for your support,

Brenda Fisher.

Dates for your Diary

As of 1st March 2024

Saturday 6th April - Spring sale with plants @ St Paul's (details to follow)

Friday 10th May 2024 - Quiz Nite @ St Paul's Church, Covingham
7.00pm - 9.30pm

Saturday 11th May - Everyday Faith @ Pattern Church, Swindon
Exploring how churches can equip people to live as disciples

Saturday 18th May 2024.- Reflection and Quiet day 10.00am - 4.00pm at Liddington Village Hall

Sunday 23rd June - Bishop Neil Warwick, the Bishop of Swindon, will be worshipping with us 10:30am at St Paul's.

Friday 28th June - Ladies Evening @ St Paul's. More details to follow

Saturday 13th July - We're in this together @ St Paul's, Chippenham

An opportunity to reflect together on how we can create networks of support and communities

Saturday 14th September - Creating Pathways into Faith - St Michael's Church Centre, Stoke Gifford
Building or identifying communities around our churches and thinking together about how we can create clear pathways.

EASTER CRACKED OPEN

Please see the diary dates in the weekly and pray for all those involved, team, children and staff.

We have a wonderful opportunity to share the Good news in this way throughout the parish.

Our first sessions are:

Monday 4th March morning and afternoon and
Friday 8th March in the morning at St Paul's.

Thank you.

Sue, Diane and the team!

Sponsor(s) Required

Hello Everyone.

I am looking for a sponsor(s) for our Weekly Notices. Their logo and details will be printed in the Notices Weekly to over 100 people, plus the Notices are entered on the Church website and shared on Social media. They will get free advertising. All the money raised will be donated to the Roof Fund.

Please message me directly if you know of any company / organisation or individual that would be interested and share with family and friends.

If any organisation or individual is able to donate to the roof fund, please let me know or any member of The Roofers (Diane Killick, Dianne Lane, Barbara Wilcox, Angela Davidson, Clare and Chris Rose, Tony Prichard, Colin Parsons and Pete Mulcock) know.

Many thanks 😊

Prayer Breakfast

2 Chronicles 7:14
New International Version - UK

14. If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

An opportunity to join for prayer and breakfast on **3rd March**.

Doors open from 9am
Breakfast served from 9:15am
Prayers from 9:30am
Refreshments from 10am - no refreshments after the service.
Please join at any point that works for you.

There will be a sign-up sheet for breakfast. Similar to last time. I plan to offer simple toast and porridge so please just indicate which option you would prefer so I can provision accordingly. Please also indicate if you require gluten free, dairy free, have a nut allergy, or other dietary requirements.

Many thanks

Nathalie Marshall

Mothering Sunday – 10th March 8:45am

This early service at 8:45am at St Paul's will be offering a sensitive space for those who find Mothering Sunday difficult for whatever reason.

As we worship God together, we will be reminded that we are all God's children and loved beyond all measure, and praying for ourselves and others as we knowledge the bittersweet emotions that can surround Mothering Sunday. The service includes communion and will be around 50mins long. There are also 10:30am service at both St Paul's and St Timothy's. *Trudie*

St Paul's Church and Community Centre

Our special place to worship and celebrate; home to a playschool, dance groups for all ages, CID's café, Senior Cits, Tiny Tots, craft groups, and many more community and personal events.

Unfortunately, we now have a very serious problem with the roof, its leaking, big time !!!!!

To enable us to continue worshipping and housing all, we **urgently** need YOUR financial support. As we are approaching Lent perhaps you could give up an item, save the pennies for the roof, or if you might like to make a donation. We shall be looking at any ideas for fundraising so if you have an ideas please share.

Applications are being made for grants and crowd-funding,

So folks, if we don't want to be singing 'Raindrops keep falling on my head'

Diane
Churchwarden

Crowdfunder

The Church has announced a fund raising appeal to find the necessary funds to carry out some extensive repairs to the roof of St. Paul's. The upkeep is the responsibility of the local congregation.

We are appealing to the local community to donate what they can so that we can continue to provide a home for the various groups who depend on the centre for their activities. Any funds left over will be put into church funds for reaching net zero for both St. Paul's and St. Timothy's.

Kingfisher Pre School
CID's Café
Dance groups
Birthday and Celebration parties
Karate classes

Tiny Tots
North Dorcan Senior Citizens
Exercise classes
Emergency Shelter
Warm and Safe Space

We are truly a community asset for the local people. QR code to Crowdfunder page. Please share far and wide.



Forthcoming events

The fundraising committee to be hereby known as '**The Roofers**' have a number of social events planned for this year. If you would like to get involved in any small or big way, then please make yourself known to either Dianne, Clare and Chris, Barbara, Dianne, Colin, Pete, Tony, Angela or Herman. See events below:

Saturday April 6th Spring Sale with plants, nearly new and refreshments.

Friday 10th May Quiz night

Friday 28 June Ladies Evening

Summer afternoon cream tea, date to be advised, and more events to follow.

Attention all Knitters

- we will be putting out decorations again for the community in December - these are always well received by the 4 estates in our community. Angels, Stars are most welcome and this year we have a pattern for a candle if anyone would like to have a go at that.!

Patterns will be available at both centres please do take one!!

Oliver

25-27 April, Memorial Hall, Royal Wootton Bassett.

Alasdair has the title role! We'd love for some of our church family to come and support. Please see the attached flyer for details or talk to Neil or Nathalie.

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 1st March 2024

At Salvation Army church in Devizes



Answers to last week's quiz

1. What is the chemical symbol for platinum = Pt
2. Including claws, how many legs does a crab have = 10
3. What is the main flavour of a Normande sauce = Fish
4. Set in 2000, what is the world record collection of garden gnomes . Is it 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015 = 2010
5. "He's not the Messiah, he's a naughty boy" is a quote from which film = Life of Brian

This week's Quiz

General Knowledge.

1. Oysters wrapped in bacon are called what
2. What type of animal is the Cayman related to
3. What sport would you be playing if you performed a pile driver
4. In which TV program did John Kay play Rene Artois
5. In ITV's The Chase, who is known as ,The Vixen'

Good Luck

ECO Tip

For each day of Lent pray of one thing in creation that you care about, for example birds in the garden, your favourite food, your car. Thank God for it, lament if it is being damaged by human action or causing harm, and intercede for wisdom and Christ's renewal.



NOTICES

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 5th March 2024**

to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk

Thank you.

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You will have noticed we no longer pass the offering basket round.

Scan this QR code with your mobile phone to make your offering.

Tony Prichard and the Finance Sub Committee