



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



SERVICES **Sunday 7th July 2024**
6th Sunday after Trinity

St. Paul's

10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Stuart Fisher
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St Tim's

	No Service	
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Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 7th July 2024, Stephen is at Stratton and then 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 14th July 7th Sunday after Trinity		
St Paul's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler
St Tim's		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Moira Slack

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What's On This Week		
Tuesday 9th July	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 Tim's	2.00pm - 3.15pm	Prayer Group
St Tim's	6.00pm - 9.00pm	Cell Group
St Paul's	7.30pm - 9.30pm	Bible study and prayer group - small hall
Wednesday 10th July	Time	Event
St Paul's	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Tiny Tots
St Tim's	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Tiny Tots
St Paul's	7.30pm - 9.30pm	Men's Fellowship
Friday 12th July	Time	Event
St Tim's	10.00am - 12.00pm	Food Collective - Paul

What's On This Week (Continued)

Sunday 14th July	Time	Event
St Paul's	3.00pm - 6.00pm	Tea Dance run by Gail from Just Jive. £6.00 on the door

North Swindon Big Band, Saturday 6th July 7:30-10:30. St. Paul's Church Centre

Sold Out

Huge thanks to everyone involved

Prospect Hospice Starlight Walk 29/6/2024.

Thank you to everyone that donated or sponsored my challenge to complete 10k, it was hard going up Kings Hill but I completed the course in 2.5 hours and raised £200. The 700 plus participants have broken past records for numbers and funds raised, currently £116,000. It was a privilege to walk with 23 family members in memory of my dear sister-in-law Jackie.

With grateful thanks,
Brenda Fisher.

Sign up for our Notices: notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk . and you will be added to the mailing list.

Ministerial changes:

On 20th June, an email was circulated regarding some changes in ministry at Dorcan Church, especially in the short term. Details are attached to these notices in case you missed it, and if you received these notices in hard print, then copies of the document can be found in both centres. Thank you.

The Filling Station:

We have been asked if we can help every 3-4months with providing food (mainly prepared sandwiches) to the Filling Station.

They offer clients a total of 120 rounds of sandwiches, wrapped separately and individually labelled (Tuna mayo, ham, cheese and pickle, egg mayo are some favourites); a chocolate bar; and fresh fruit (particularly banana and satsumas)

Supporting churches also supply an additional 4 loaves of sliced bread (used for hotdogs) and 3 litres of milk (for hot drinks).

Is this something that you feel a prompt to support and are willing to get a team together?

If so, or if you would like additional information, please contact Maggie at the office in the first instance and she will put you in direct touch with the coordinator.

In due course it would need to go to ECC for any financial support, so a brief costing would be helpful, however, initially if you feel this is something on your heart then please do find out more!

Office details are: 01793 435987 and dorcan.church.office@gmail.com

Message from +Neil:

Thanks to you all at St Paul's for a wonderful morning [on 23rd June).

The hospitality spoke of God's goodness and the commitment to worship – a joy to be a part of.

Thank you. +Neil

p.s. and being prayed for – special!



Bishop Neil with Rev Trudie Wigley and Churchwarden Diane Killick

Annual Gift Day.

This year, even though we are focusing on raising money for St Paul's roof (the total now stands at more than £18,500, praise God, and thank you for your generosity), ECC have decided that it would still be good if we continue to have an Annual Gift Day, but with the money raised being split 50:50 between St Paul's roof and the ongoing ministry and outreach of the Church.

The date set for the Gift Day is **Sunday 14th July at both St Paul's and St Tim's.**

The purpose of this is not to press those of you who have already given generously to the Church this year to give yet more, but rather to provide another opportunity for anyone who has not yet given to do so, and also for all of us to reflect on how we give to the wider work of the church as well as to the roof appeal.

One-off gifts

If you feel you would like to donate, no matter how large or small, then this can be done in a number of ways:

Special Gift Day Donation Envelopes will be available at both centres from Sunday 7th July.

These envelopes can be placed in the offering basket at one of our services, handed to a steward or, alternatively, dropped through the Treasurer's letter box at 1 Poltondale, Covingham. SN3 5BN.

You can also make a gift by Bank Transfer to The Dorcan Church Account: Sort Code 08-92-99,

A/c no. 65312775, Reference. Gift day.

The card machine is also available at St Paul's, if preferred.

Remember any amount given will support both the ongoing work of the Church and the St Paul's Roof Fund.

Giving to the ongoing work of the Church

Gift Day also provides an opportunity for each of us to review our ongoing giving:

Do I give regularly?

Does the amount I give reflect my current financial circumstances? If not, could I give more, or do I, perhaps, really need to reduce the amount (e.g. if my income has fallen).

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If I do not do so already, could I give by standing order, direct debit or through the weekly envelope scheme?

If I pay income tax, does the Church claim Gift Aid on my behalf?

For further information regarding any of the above, or if you would like us to make a change on your behalf, please contact either Tony Prichard (01793 520734) or Pete Mulcock (01793 535939) or email treasurer@dorcanchurch.org.uk .

Thank You

Last year our annual gift day marked a turning point for the finances of our church, bringing them back onto an even keel following a difficult period. This position has been sustained throughout the year and we praise God for your ongoing generosity which has brought this about. We thank you for everything that you have already given to the Church, be it financially or in other ways.

However, if this church is to continue to be effective in its ministry and witness, it needs all of us in the congregation to continue to give. So, any donation you are able to make this Gift Day will be greatly appreciated.

Pete Mulcock, on behalf of Finance Committee.

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 Diane Killick, Clare Rose, Chris Rose, Barbara Wilcox, Dianne Lane, Claire Gillman, Colin Parsons, Tony Pritchard, Angela Davidson or Herman Boston.

See events below:

Sunday 14th July 3pm – 6pm Tea Dance run by Gail from Just Jive. £6 on the door. Cake donation for this event would be most welcomed.

Saturday 28th September Male Voice Choir

Saturday 19th October 1pm – 6pm flower arranging in the small hall

If there are any other ideas, please let us know.

Soft drinks for sale

We currently have cans of soft drinks for sale (Pepsi, Lemonade and other flavours).

4 cans £1.00

All proceeds to the roof fund



Answers to last week's quiz

1. Which Zodiac sign is represented by a fish? = **Pisces**
2. In which sport would you play for the Ryder cup? = **Golf**
3. In the world of theatre, what does RSC stand for? = **Royal Shakespeare Company**
4. What was the name of the sword of king Arthur? = **Excalibur**
5. What is the name of the brand of mobile phone developed by Google? = **Pixel**

This weeks quiz

1. Who was the lead guitarist in the Beatles?
2. What is the alliterative name for the main character in 'Breaking Bad'?
3. What is the name of the winged horse in Greek mythology?
4. In chemistry, what is the opposite of an acid?
5. Miguel de Cervantes created which Spanish hero?

Good luck

ECO Tip

If you are driving show love and respect to cyclists by improving your road behaviour. Their bike mile has a carbon footprint of 2g compared to your small car of 280g CO₂e a mile.

NOTICES

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 9th July 2024**

to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk

Thank you.

These notices are also available on-line at

www.dorcanchurch.org.uk/latest_notices

Previous editions are also available at:

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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