



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

The
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 Shepherd



**SERVICES - Sunday 8th May 2022
 4th Sunday after Easter**

St. Paul's

10.30am	All Age Worship	Deacon Stephen Roe
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St Tim's

10.30am	Morning Worship	Sue Morgans
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Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 8 May. Alex is at Stratton supporting the wider Circuit

**Welcome to the Dorcan Church.
 If you are new, we would love to get to know you better.**

SERVICES— Sunday 15th May 2022— 5th Sunday after Easter

St Paul's		
08.45am 10.30am 10.30am 12.00 noon 6.30 –8.30pm	Morning Worship Cancelled Holy Communion Sparks & Ignite AGM Vybe	Deacon Stephen Roe Rev Trudie Wigley
St Tim's		
	No Service	

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 15 May...Stephen is at Stratton, Neil is at Aldbourne

What's on this week.

May 2022		
Tuesday 10th 08.30—10.00 am 10.30am 10.30am—12.00pm 7.30pm—9.30pm	St Tim's St Tim's St Paul's St Paul's	Tea and Toast Prayer Group led by Brenda Phillips CID's Coffee morning Bible Study and Prayer Group led by Diane Lane
Wednesday 11th 1.00—3pm 1.15—2.45pm 6pm—7.30pm 7.30pm—9.30pm	St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's St Paul's	Tiny Tots Tiny Tots Blaze for school years 2-6 Men's Fellowship

Dates for your Diary
As at 1st May 2022

Sunday 15th May 2022

Annual_General_Meeting_ will be held after our 10:30am
service at St Paul's

Thursday 3rd November 2022

7pm ECO Church St Timothy's

Saturday June 4th
Jubilee Fete
St Pauls 2pm - 4.30

WE NEED YOUR HELP.PLEASE.....

Donations required for raffle prizes;
Bottle & toiletries for the tombola's

Plants and YOUR time, helpers on the day to assist

50's dress optional, but wearing of red, white & blue would be great.

For more info; see Angela & Diane



Date of our Annual General Meeting – 15th May 2022: We have now set the date of our AGM which will be held after our 10:30am service at St Paul's. This will be a short meeting to receive the annual report and to elect officers and tend to our legal business. Please do pop this date in your diary.

Electoral Role - notice of revision: The role has now been revised and a copy has been displayed in both centres. Whilst names can now not be added until post our AGM, mistakes are able to be corrected, please do still check that your entry is correct. Please pass any amendments to Barbara Wilcox at b.wilcox89@ntlworld.com

Building God's house 2022: A separate email will have been sent to you about the roles that we will be considering at our AGM. If you get paper notices, then copies are available in both centres. Please do read these papers and prayerfully consider how you might be able to support the mission and ministry of God's church. We are very much looking to team-working, so if you are able to offer some aspects of a role and not others, then that is still very much welcomed as we do not wish to burden any one person. All of these roles are vital in supporting our worship and our calling as a church - everyone is needed!

Message from your Churchwarden, John Davidson

You will know that I am stepping down at the next AGM, following my commitment to stand for one year only whilst we were in a time of transition as a church. I am happy to work alongside a new Churchwarden (if required) to support a change, yet at the current time I am not aware of anyone who has expressed an interest in the role. Whilst we are not alone in having difficulty in fulfilling some officer roles, it is significant in that we are a sizeable and missional church.

It is my opinion that we owe a debt of gratitude to Rev Andrew Wigley, for the work he put in to the paper he produced for the EEC, which has resulted in the team ethic approach that we now have within the Church, and we are now using with some success. Please can I encourage you to take a look at the role of Churchwarden and see what areas you feel you are gifted in and might be able to offer? Following the work completed and agreed last year at ECC on refining and separating the roles of Churchwarden and Senior Steward, the Churchwarden responsibilities are less onerous than of recent years and additionally we are looking to approach the role as a team, as we have done for safeguarding, finance and property. In essence the Churchwarden's role can be defined as having responsibility for the following, of which many aspects are delegated to other teams, themselves working together:

- ◆ Missional leadership - Shared with Incumbents, Senior Steward & ECC
- ◆ Legal matters, largely building - Delegated to Church Centre Management
- ◆ Representation to Deanery / Diocese— Some delegated to Synod reps, Bishop's officer
- ◆ Prayer & worship "maintaining order" Delegated to Church Stewards team
- ◆ Week by week stewarding - Delegated to Church Stewards team
- ◆ Buildings and Maintenance - Delegated to Church Centre Management
- Administration and Governance - Delegated to Administrator & Church Stewards
- Particular responsibilities, - e.g. during vacancy periods (not expected), ad hoc,
- Pastoral care and confidante of the Incumbents

PTO

Please can you prayerfully consider how you might be able to be part of a churchwarden's team? There is lots of support across the various committees and this important role is a vital part of the smooth running and effectiveness of the future mission and ministry of God's church here in Dorcan.

Thank you. *John Davidson*



Christian Aid Week this year runs from 15 - 21 May. The theme this year is 'Climate Justice', and our All Age Worship on 8 May will be based on this theme, which is also in line with our commitment to 'Eco Church'. There will also be a retiring collection on 8 and 15 May for Christian Aid. Please put your donation in an envelope and mark it 'Christian Aid'. If you wish, you may make a donation by bank transfer, please put 'Christian Aid' as the reference.

An Inspirational woman

Back in January we mentioned Janet Martin had written a book about coping with MS.

Janet's book was published on Thursday 28th April and if members are interested and would like a copy it is on sale at £5.99 at most book stores or bought direct from Olympia Publishers, London.

Janet has a few signed copies. If you would like a signed one, please send an email to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk and we will pass on your request to Janet

Donations for Ukraine

Thank you for all the donations you have given which have been taken to the warehouse for transporting to Poland. They now have a lot of clothes and blankets, so don't need more of those, but are still looking for food (tinned food that can be opened without a can opener, cup-a-soup and energy bars). They are also needing nappies. Please leave any donations at Church, either St Paul's or St Tim's, I will collect them from there.

Stephen

Platinum Jubilee



The Bible Society are organising an event to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of their patron, Her Majesty the Queen. Follow the link for more information. [Join us in Swindon or in London](#) for an evening exploring the faith behind a lifetime of inspiring public service.



ECO Tip

There will be Police run security Bike marking at Coleview community centre this afternoon (Sunday 8th. May 14:00-16:00). Worth doing if you cycle regularly, it makes your bike traceable in the event of a theft.



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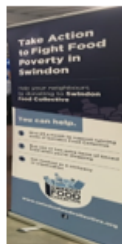
OUR FOOD BANK INITIATIVE

In the near future we are looking to start operating a Food Bank Distribution Centre at St Tim's on one day a week. This initiative will be in partnership with the Swindon Food Collective with the aim of helping people gain access to basic food for either themselves or their families when they are facing a crisis.

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED

A team of volunteers will service the distribution centre and meet and greet the beneficiaries. Paul Tayler has agreed to be the team leader and a deputy will be appointed to manage the service. Other team members are needed to help pack bags with the food for distribution, chat and signpost people to other services for more help and offer refreshments (when permitted).

Volunteers are needed once a week for at least 3 hours (on a rota basis if there are enough). This time will include the pre-opening/set up duties, distribution/opening time of 2 hours and the close down/clean up time at the end of the session. It is currently proposed that the distribution centre will be held at St Tim's on a Friday morning from 9.00am - 12noon.



Please speak to the Trudie, Stephen, Stuart or Paul for more information or to apply to be considered for the team. All are welcome to apply. Your contact details will then be forwarded to the Swindon Food Collective and an application form will be sent to you for completion and return to their administration officer.

For more information about the Swindon Food Collective and their work as a food bank please visit their web site at www.swindonfoodcollective.org

Quiz Nite

We have had a great response to attending a quiz Nite. The venue will be St Paul's . Date to be arranged in October. Watch this space for more details

Quiz Time—just for fun

Answers to last week's quiz

Three Threes : Awestruck, Spaghetti, Dyspepsia,
Fortunate, Awkwardly

Quiz questions

1. Which vitamin does your body create when you expose your skin to direct sunlight? **Vitamin D**
2. In the 1937 Disney movie Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, which is the only Dwarf that does not have a beard? **Dopey**
3. What is the star fish called in SpongeBob? **Patrick**
4. The Biblical story of David and Goliath will be found in which In which book of the Old Testament? **1 Samuel**
5. Of all land animals, which one has the largest eye? **Ostrich**

This week's quiz

1. The name of which colour is spelled the same in English and in French
2. Which of the following countries has the same name as its capital city: Belarus, Senegal, Paraguay, Singapore
3. Which band released the song 'Sultan of swing' in 1978
4. Which of the following four Colours is considered a secondary colour: Yellow, Orange, Pink, Silver .
5. Which of these characters is from DC Comics and is not part of the Marvel Universe: Green Goblin, Aquaman, Wolverine, Juggernaut

Tea and Toast is back!



When: Tue 8:30-10am

During term-time

Where: St Timothy's

Liden SN3 6HP

Who for: YOU!

**Come together as a community for a chat,
company, drinks and toast. And it's free!**

Email: dorcan.church.office@gmail.com



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Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

The Men's Fellowship have been asked to host a bottle stall at the platinum celebration in June, and we would appreciate donations of bottle or can drinks for a tombola, Adult and children's selection.

Thank you
Paul Tayler



Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee

Come and join the celebration

**St Paul's church Saturday June 4th
2pm-4 30pm**

Games , Raffle , Tombola's entertainment

Refreshments including

1950's afternoon tea



NOTICES

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 10th May 2022** to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk
Thank you.

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Previous editions are also available at: [Dorcan Church Weekly Notices](#)



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