

#### St. Paul's, Covingham St. Timothy's, Liden www.dorcanchurch.org.uk

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SERVICES	Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday			
St Paul's				
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Stuart Fisher		
St Tim's				
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Trudie Wigley		

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 17th November Safeguarding Sunday			
St Paul's			
10.30am	Morning Worship	Sue Morgans	
10.00am	Messy Church	Deacon Stephen Roe & Messy team	

What's On This Week			
Tuesday 12th November	Time	Event	
St Tim's St Paul's St Tim's	10.00am - 12.00pm 10.00am - 12.00pm 6.00pm - 9.00pm	CID's Café Too CID's Coffee Morning Cell Group	
Wednesday 13th November	Time	Event	
St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's	1.00pm - 3.00pm 1.00pm - 3.00pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm	Tiny Tots Tiny Tots Men's Fellowship	
Friday 15th November	Time	Event	
St Tim's	10.00am - 12.00pm	Food Collective - Paul	

# Dates for your diary

# As of 1st November 2024

**Friday 8th November Quiz Night** @ St Paul's Church, Covingham 7.00pm - 9.30pm A very popular event and limited to 20 teams. Teams up to 6 people.

Saturday 30th November Seasonal Afternoon Tea with some stalls & a raffle.

**Central Church Swindon Sunday 22nd December,** 4.30 p.m. Carols by Candlelight with Christingles, followed by a 'Bring and Share' supper.

Friday 9th May 2025—Quiz Night @ St Paul's Church, Covingham

#### 8:45 Services:

We will be pausing our 8:45am service for a while for a number of reasons, including resourcing the service such as stewarding, and recent low attendance. This will be reviewed later in the New Year, and in the meantime there will not be any 8:45am services during the winter months, including that originally planned for 17<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you for your understanding as we take this pause.

Trudie

# "Bring and Share Lunch, Sunday, Nov 24th"

Sunday morning of Nov 24th will be the culmination of much work, to re structure our governance and authority structures to be able to move forward more easily.

As an ECC, we recognise that this has not been without pain, and that there will be many and mixed emotions at this service as we invite Bishop Neil and the Methodist Superintendent David to sign the appropriate documentation with us. It is however a valuable moment, to be thankful for what has gone before, as we pray for what lies ahead, and grateful for this fabulous Church family that we are part of. As such, it was decided at ECC that we should share a lunch together. A time to share conversation with one another, and Revs David and Neil, and to do what Jesus so often did with his friends, share food.

If you are able to stay and contribute something to share, please could you indicate on the sign-up sheets in both centres what you might bring.

"In the interest of confirming numbers if you intend on joining us for lunch please could you indicate on Sunday 10th at the latest. If you are unable to bring a contribution but still want to join us that's fine too! Please speak to Nathalie if you are unsure."

# **Colleen Wiseman:**

Dear Friends, following the recent announcement of the passing of our dear sister in Christ Colleen Wiseman; There will be a service of thanksgiving at St Paul's church at **10.30 on Monday 11th November**. The committal service will take place beforehand at 10.00am at Kingsdown Crematorium. You are warmly invited to attend either or both of these services. It was Colleen's request that you do not wear black or buy flowers.

May she now rest in Peace and Rise in Glory. Amen.

# **Christmas Toys**

Our annual toy service will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> December at St Paul's and St Tim's. We would welcome donations of new toys, books and gifts, as before. Toys for younger children are usually well represented, but often items for 9-17 year olds are in short supply, especially for boys.

Gifts should not be wrapped, but rolls of wrapping paper also would be gratefully received.

There are many calls on your generosity, especially at this time of year, and we hope that you can find something to spare for families who are unable to give their children the Christmas that others enjoy.

We shall be hosting the event again this year, and families will come on week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> December to choose gifts for their children. Thank you

Saturday November 30<sup>th</sup> Festive Afternoon Tea from 1.30 pm St Pauls

There will be a small selection of stalls, including the wonderful toiletries, and raffle, donations for both would be gratefully received. Many thanks

Diane

# Invite to all gentlemen of the church.

Men's fellowship invite you all to join us for our annual Christmas meal.

The venue is The Dockle farm (Wetherspoons) on Monday 9th December. 2024 evening 7.00pm . All are welcome, just let me know if you will join us, by Sunday 17th November. so I can arrange seating.

The menus will be available after 13th November.

Thanks Paul.

# **School of Prayer**

An 8-week course beginning on 5 November

- Designed for beginners Whether you're just starting or have been praying for a while, this course is perfect for you.
- Create a rhythm of life With ongoing support and guidance, you'll develop a regular prayer practice.
- An experiential course Learn to pray by actively praying throughout the course.
- A supportive community Journey alongside fellow learners in a welcoming environment.

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Zoom-based – Accessible to participants from across the diocese, no matter where you are.

School of Prayer Tickets, Tue, Nov 5, 2024 at 7:30 PM | Eventbrite

# See attached poster

#### Electronic Notices :-

Should you receive a paper copy of the weekly notices and your circumstances have changed. Please get in touch with your email address and I will add you to the mailing list.

notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk

Herman

### **Swindon Food Collective**

is your local independent food bank that collects and redistributes donated non-perishable food and non food items to those in need. We help individuals and families that are finding it hard to feed themselves for a variety of reasons such as low wages, low income, family crisis, delayed benefit payments, redundancy, bereavement or sickness. We currently operate 11 Food Distribution Centres in and around Swindon.

Paul Tayler is our contact and will be gathering all of our donations.

WHAT THEY DO NEED:

Regular sized Tins, Jars, Bottles, Cartons or Packets of the following:

"Potatoes; Meat; Fish; Tomatoes; Soup; Vegetables; Fruit; Puddings; Pasta Sauce; Cereals; Small Jars of Coffee; Tea (40 bags); Small Bags of Sugar (500g); Biscuits; 1L Bottles of Squash; Washing Up Liquid; Toothpaste; Laundry Pods; 2 in 1 Shampoo & Conditioner; Male and Female Deodorants"

DO NOT SEND:

Cereals and shower gel.

#### Announcements:-

Please let me know if you have a special anniversary or a milestone birthday which you would like to share and for me to include in the Notices.

Herman

#### **Swindon Food Collective**

Just letting you know that Swindon Food Collective is now registered with Easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use Easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

You can find our Easyfundraising page at:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/swindon-foodcollective/? utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=pmc&utm\_content=gsemail1

Thank you so much!

Kind regards Cher Smith MBE

# **Cantores Choir**

Cantores presents a programme of music and readings exploring some of the themes of Advent, including motets by William Byrd, alongside music from the Spanish Renaissance by Lobo and Guerrero, and contemporary choral pieces by Judith Weir, Cheryl Frances-Hoad, Alec Roth, Kerensa Briggs and Howard Skempton. Tickets £15 (U18s and Students £5)

Saturday 23 November 2024 at Northleach Parish Church (7:30pm) And also on Saturday 30 November 2024 at Holy Trinity Church, Amberley, Stroud (7pm).

Cantores directed by Simon Harper presents a programme of traditional Christmas music. Free admission. December 15, 2024, 7:00 pm, Holy Rood Church, Ampney Crucis

For more information see Nathalie Marshall or www.cantores.net

# Prayer Group at St Tim's

The Prayer Group at St Tim's will start meeting again on Tuesday 12th November at 2pm. They will continue meeting every fortnight

- 26/11;
- 17/12 etc

Brenda Phillips



# Answers to last week's quiz

- 1. Great Yarmouth or Brighton. Which is further south? = Brighton
- St Tropez or Cannes. Are they on the south or north coast = South
- 3. Which Greek God was the god of the underworld. Hades or Hecate = Hades
- Which country introduced the photo CD. Sony or Kodak = Kodak
- 5. The largest human organ. Is it skin or brain = Skin

#### This weeks quiz

#### Travel

- 1. Where is the largest rainfall in the world?
- 2. What is the name of the national anthem of USA?
- 3. What is the previous name of China's capital Beijing?
- 4. Which city is the capital of Canada?
- 5. What is the official language of Brazil?

Good luck

# ECO Tip

Ensure your heating is switched off at night and when you are away from home (except in sub zero conditions) and save 500kg CO2e a year. Don't heat rooms you don't use, turn the radiator off and close the door.



All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 12 November 2024** 

to <u>notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk</u> Thank you.

These notices are also available on-line at <u>www.dorcanchurch.org.uk/latest\_notices</u> Previous editions are also available at: <u>Dorcan Church Weekly Notices</u>



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