



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

**13<sup>th</sup> June 2021 –Second Sunday after Trinity**



**The Parable of the Sower - Mark 4. 26-34**

St. Paul's	10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev. Stuart Fisher
St. Timothy's	No service	Morning Worship	Godfrey Room

We will be live-streaming the service on the Facebook page  
"Dorcan Church Notice Board" which you can find at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsstimothysswindon/>

**If you are new, we would love to get to know you better.**  
**Please speak to the Minister or to one of the Stewards.**

## Welcome to the Dorcan Church

### Services - Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021

St. Paul's	10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev. Stephen Skinner
St. Timothy's	No service		

## Church Notices

### **A reminder on Health and Safety.**

Dear friends, since certain rules have been relaxed under stage 3 of the governments Covid strategy, I feel it is necessary to remind us all that;

Only people where everyone present is from the same two households (linked Bubble), can sit together (but no more than 6 from different households). Everyone else will need to observe appropriate physical distancing at all times. As we are, nothing has changed for us. *So please continue to follow the one-way system in and out of the church and do not linger or congregate socially.*

Face coverings are still, and currently mandatory on public transport and in a range of indoor venues including Places of Worship and church halls. There are certain exemptions for those who are leading services or events in a place of worship, and those who assist them (for instance by reading, preaching, or leading prayer; although one should be worn especially if physical distancing cannot be maintained.

You may have heard that if you run a café or restaurant then table service will be required; but since we do not have the capacity for everyone to be seated at tables, nor the facilities or volunteers to clean everything afterward (utensils, chairs, tables, cups etc.) nor to maintain social distancing in groups of 6 or less, then we will continue without refreshments. This also means, unfortunately, no social gathering in groups either inside or outside of the church premises. Let us be good examples to the community we live in. *Rev Stuart.*

## Prayer Chain

After faithfully organizing the Prayer Chain for many years, Margaret has now decided to step down from this role. We send Margaret our love, and gratitude for all she has done in this capacity, and for so many of the other things she's been involved with over the years with Ray, not least Tiny Tots at St Paul's. Thankfully, I'm pleased to be able to tell you that the mantle has been taken up by Cathy Scott. She will be the first point of contact when you need someone to be prayed for by our lovely pray-ers. Her telephone number is **346507**.

- **The Prayer Chain works in this way.**

Someone will phone Cathy to ask for prayers for a particular person or situation.

Cathy will pass on the name of the person needing prayers, either by email, text message, or landline if you don't have a mobile or email address. Needless to say, all of the information given is in strictest confidence.

We then pray for that person/situation privately, as this is not a group that meets together.

Currently we have 25 pray-ers, but if anyone else would like to join the team, I'm sure that Cathy would be pleased to hear from you.

Once again, blessings to you, Margaret, for your work on our behalf, and thank you to Cathy, for stepping in so graciously.

*Barbara*

## **Tiny Tots at St. Timothy's**

This week there have been several meetings regarding re-starting Tiny Tots at St Tim's. Because of pre-booked holidays and short numbers of volunteers, we have decided not to commence Tiny Tots until the start of the September term. However, one of our main difficulties is that we do not have sufficient volunteers: would you be able to help? Please give it some thought and get in touch if you would like to know more about what is involved.

Anyone interested in volunteering at this tiny tots group should contact either Jo Bush or myself. The session runs on a Wednesday from 1pm to 3pm. This includes time to help set up and put away at the end of the session and is for term time only.

My telephone number is 532511

## **Parliamentary Breakfast Invitation**

Bible Society and the Churches of Swindon invite you to the National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast 2021 From 7.30 am on 25 June At Bible Society, Stonehill Green, Westlea, Swindon SNS 7DG The National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast is a shared event between the Christians in Parliament All-Party Parliamentary Group and Bible Society. Coffee, fruit and pastries will be served from 7.30 am to 8.00 am, before the main livestream begins. Refreshments will then be served between 9.00 am and 10.00 am, after which there will be a live screening of Re-imagining Mission, a Bible Society webinar. We would love to see you there for some or all of the morning.

Please RSVP by email to [gareth.davies@biblesociety.org.uk](mailto:gareth.davies@biblesociety.org.uk) (with National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast Swindon registration in the subject line).

This event will be subject to the Government's Covid-19 guidelines in place on the day. Bible Society, Stonehill Green, Westlea, Swindon, SNS 7DG [biblesociety.org.uk](http://biblesociety.org.uk) Registered charity 232759

<p>All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June Tel: 695698 or email <a href="mailto:anagram673@hotmail.co.uk">anagram673@hotmail.co.uk</a>. Thank you. Please let me know if any others would like to receive notices by email.</p>
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