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Transforming lives and communities Knowing Jesus and making Him known



SERVICES	Sunday 21st April 2024 Easter 4		
St. Paul's			
10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott	
St Tim's			
10.00am	Messy Church	Messy Team	

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 21st April 2024, Stephen is at Central Chippenham 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 28th April 2024 Easter 5			
St Paul's			
10.30am	All Age	Rev Stuart Fisher	
St Tim's			
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Trudie Wigley	

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 28th April 2024, Neil is at Bath Road supporting the wider Circuit.

What's On This Week			
Monday 22nd April	Time	Event	
St Paul's	7.00pm - 9.00pm	Roofers Meeting	
Tuesday 23rd April	Time	Event	
St Tim's St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's	10.00am - 12.00pm 10.00am - 12.00pm 6.00pm - 9.00pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm	CID's Café Too CID's Coffee Morning Cell Group Bible Study - Small Hall	
Wednesday 224th April	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	

What's On This Week (Continued)			
Friday 26th April	Time	Event	
St Tim's	10.00am—12.00pm	Food Collective - Paul	

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 K, Clare and Chris R, Barbara W, Dianne L, Claire G, Colin P, Pete M, Tony P, Angela D or Herman.

See events below:

Friday 10 th May	Quiz night— See attached poster
Friday 28 June	Ladies Evening
Saturday 6th July	North Swindon Big Band

Summer afternoon cream tea, date to be advised, Swindon Male voice choir, date to be advised and more events to follow.

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

The roof fund appeal stands at £11,718. Well done all.

Anyone currently receiving the newsletter at church on a Sunday, and are now able to receive an email copy, please send your email address to Herman on <u>notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk</u>. and you will be added to the mailing list.

Electoral Role - notice of revision

The revision of the electoral role will begin on Friday 19th April and end on Friday 26th April, after which no amendments can be made until after our AGM on 12th May 2024.

If you are not on the electoral role and would like to be, are not sure, or are wondering what this is all about, then please do speak with Barbara Wilcox our Electoral roll officer, or the steward on duty, or our church administrator, Maggie, on 01793 435987/ <u>dorcan.church.office@gmail.com</u>. Forms are available in both centres.

Being on the electoral role means that you can vote for the officers of the Dorcan Church, stand for Ecumenical Church Council and speak at the annual meeting. However, and **most importantly, being on the electoral role is a significant way of showing your membership and home with The Dorcan Church family**.

Please do consider joining the roll if you are not currently on it.

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

If you enjoy live music this event is for you, listen and dance to songs from the 1930's to present day. Tickets £10pp, from the office, refreshments available or bring your own. This is a big fundraiser for the roof so please support us and tell your friends and family.

Many thanks, Brenda Fisher and the Roofers.

"The Rock on which we build" Reflective Day – Saturday 18th May – 10:30am-3pm Liddington Village Hall

It is confirmed that we will be going ahead with our reflection day. The sign-up sheets are still out in both churches so please do add your name if you are coming so we know for refreshments.

We are invited to gather together as church family for this time of reflection and sharing. We will be led by Rev Moira Slack and this will be a chance to be together in worship and thought as we reflect on God as our rock and the foundation on which we build. We are meeting at Liddington Village Hall, only 10minutes drive away and, weather permitting, gives the opportunity for local walks. Please bring your own packed lunch, and tea and coffee will be provided.

Our various times together have been special in their own ways, and we pray that we might be able to gather once again to learn, reflect and just enjoy God, and one another.

Trudie

Tea and Praise – moved from 4pm 21st April

Our next Tea-and-praise service will now be at 10:30am on 5th May. This is not a united service (this is the following week for our AGM) and there will also be services at St Paul's at 8:45am and St Timothy's 10:30am. We will have the "tea" bit of the Tea and Praise after the service instead! Thank you.

Trudie

Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust - Vacancy for Honorary Secretary

The Trust exists to make grants to support the restoration, repair and modernisation of churches and chapels in Wiltshire. Formed in 1953, it has successfully raised and disbursed funds for critical works in Wiltshire's places of worship for over seventy years.

Working to the Chair and Board of Trustees, the Honorary Secretary convenes and records two Trust Meetings each year (June and November in Devizes) and is closely involved in the governance of the Trust and its grant decision process. This rewarding and engaging role is at the heart of a well-established county charity and its connection with parishes, churches and chapels across Wiltshire, including Swindon.

Outside the two Trust meeting days, routine business is conducted from home by email. The Honorary Secretary must have internet access and be proficient with email and standard documents. Questions and expressions of interest should be send to the Chairman/Honorary Secretary through this email address by 10th May - sec.whct@gmail.com

The Trust website at this link gives an overview of the Trust's role, activity and impact - WHCT Website

Rev Graham Warmington

Families from Afghanistan

Lyneham Methodist Church are supporting some families from Afghanistan who are being housed at the RAF base there. They have provided some raised beds for growing vegetables, and a space for some of the women to meet. They now need children's books suitable for ages 0-16. Please bring any you can offer to St Paul's or St Tim's and I will pass them on.

Stephen



Answers to last week's quiz

- What is the name of the patriotic eagle from the Muppets? = Sam
- 2. In the Mr Men series, what colour is Mr Strong? = Red
- 3. What vegetable is cooked in a dish Florentine style = Spinach
- Which member country of the EU has a map on their flag? = Cyprus
- 5. What is the official language of the Olympic games? = French

This week's Quiz

General Knowledge.

- 1. How many Postcode are there in the UK. Is it 1.6 million, 1.8 million or 2 million?
- 2. What was the band Oasis first Number 1 single?
- 3. Which British singer won 5 Grammy awards in 2008?
- 4. What animal is also known as a sea cow?
- 5. Which member of the Beatles is seen crossing the road first on the Abbey road album?

Good Luck

ECO Tip

Move your bank account to an ethical bank who invests your money in low carbon, ethical, environmental projects, such as the Triodos Bank. Ethical Consumer (like *Which?*) provide independent advice <u>www.ethicalconsumer.org</u>



All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 23rd April 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



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St Paul's Church, Covingham Quiz Night. Friday 10th May In the hall Doors open 7 pm for 7.30pm start. £3.00 Per person (teams of For further information and t reserve a table Call: 07920 649 440 Bring your own drink Or email: notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk