



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

SERVICES - Sunday 29th October 2023
21st Sunday and last after Trinity

St. Paul's

08.45am	Holy Communion	Rev Stuart Fisher
10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott

St Tim's

10.30am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler
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Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 29th October. Stephen 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.
Please speak to the Minister or to one of the Stewards.

SERVICES - Sunday 5th November 2023 4th Sunday before Advent		
St Paul's		
10.30am	United Holy Communion	Rev David Gray & Rev Christopher Bryan
St Tim's		
	No Service	

What's On This Week		
Tuesday 31st October	Time	Event
St Tim's St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's	9.00am - 11.30am 10.00am - 12.00pm 2.00pm - 3.15pm 7.45pm - 9.45pm	CID's Café Too CID's Coffee Morning Prayer Meeting Bible Study & Prayer Group
Wednesday 1st November	Time	Event
St Paul's St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's St Paul's	10.00am - 11.00am 1.00pm - 3.00pm 1.00pm - 3.00pm 6.00pm - 7.30pm 7.30pm - 9.00pm	Morning Prayers Tiny Tots Tiny Tots Blaze for School year 2 - 6 Youth Club for School year 7+
Thursday 2nd November	Time	Event
Sedgebrook	7.30pm - 9.00pm	House Group

What's On This Week (Continued)

Friday 3rd November	Time	Event
St Tim's St Paul's	10.00am - 12.00pm 7.00pm - 9.30pm	Food Collective - Paul Quiz Nite

Working Party St Paul's Saturday November 4th 9.30 – 12.30

All offers of help will be very gratefully received. Lots of shrubs needing a short back & sides, and other jobs. Really hope to see you.

Diane

Something a little different.....we will not be having a Christmas Fayre in the same way as previous years! This year it is a Festive afternoon Tea, with a select number of stalls, including a raffle.

Saturday November 25th 1.00 – 3.30 St Paul's

Diane

CHRISTMAS UNWRAPPED

A big THANK YOU to all who took boxes away to make up. An even bigger THANK YOU for all those who have returned them completed!

This is so appreciated.

CHRISTMAS UNWRAPPED

Meeting arranged for all those involved Tuesday November 7th 2.15 -3.45 (at the latest) St Paul's small hall.

(it's not too late to come along and find out more.....)

Thank you

Sue and Diane

Living in Love and Faith

We are pleased that there will be three 'Living in Love and Faith' courses running this autumn, involving approximately 20 people from our congregation. These courses are now full, but there will be a further opportunity to take part in a course in the New Year. Details will be provided then.

We thank all those who are leading or taking part and pray that you will have fruitful and blessed conversations.

Stephen and Trudie

Harvest offering

The Harvest offering enabled us to donate £35 each to Swindon Women's Refuge and Swindon Food Collective.

Tony Prichard and The finance Committee.

ECO Tip

Stick to tap water. Bottled water comes with a 320g per litre carbon footprint, whereas tap water is a mere 0.24g CO₂e per litre. If you don't like the taste of your home tap water, install an under the sink water filter.

Mission Possible

Just a quick message to say that (as you know) Scripture Union are organising a nationwide tour this autumn called *Mission Possible* and one venue will be Sheldon Road Church. Here is a description of the tour and the link, should you wish to book yourself in. Please feel free to forward this on to anyone who may be interested.

Whether you're a volunteer, an employed children's and youth worker, a church leader, or anyone else passionate about reaching the 95% of young people who are not in church, come and talk with your local Scripture Union team and take the time to discover how together, we can make mission possible in your context.

This is a nationwide tour but for people in Wiltshire, the place to go is **Sheldon Road Church, Chippenham at 7.15pm on Thursday 9th November**. For more information and to book your place click on the following link. <https://content.scriptureunion.org.uk/mission-possible-tour>

Swindon Food collective

Please note that they currently have plentiful supplies of cereal, pasta, tinned soup and baked beans. This year they are asking for a mixture of food items and household goods/toiletries and list the following in particular: Cleaning cloths/anti bac wipes, household cleaners, laundry pods/power/liquid/conditioner, Wash & Go 2in1 Shampoo/Conditioner, Deodorant (male & female), toothpaste & toothbrushes, toilet rolls, toiletries (male & female), biscuits, tinned fruit, small jars of coffee, tinned potatoes; tinned meat; tinned puddings; small bags of sugar; biscuits.

For 'Link to Hope' Shoebox appeal

We ask people to join in with our Shoebox Appeal 2023 and fill a Shoebox for a family – not just a child. The leaflet contains items for all family members and includes different items. These range from shower gel/shampoo, family games, stationary items, gift for mum and dad as well as sweets, soft toys, hats, scarves etc. Your shoeboxes will go to the poorest people in Ukraine, Moldova, Bulgaria and Romania.

There are shoebox leaflets at both churches. Your completed shoeboxes will need to be given in, approx.in 9 weeks' time on Saturday 4th November in the car park at St Paul's on from 10.00am until 13.00pm, and again from 14.00pm until 16.00pm for a blessing on Sunday 5th November.

The £3.00 for each shoebox, if it is in coins, please do not tape them to the form. Give me the money separate. If you can, it will save me a lot of time and effort. £ notes can be handed to me. Cheques can be made payable to The Dorcan church.

Thank you. For all you support, especially at this present time.

Many thanks.
Paul.

Hand made flannels for Shoeboxes

There are hand-made flannels for the Shoeboxes under the table in the Chapel as you walk in.

Hats for Shoeboxes

Hi. Hats for shoe boxes have been kindly donated by Mrs Strange again this year and will be in both churches to be picked up. If anyone has any spare wool for the knitting of hats for next year can you let Christine have it to pass on , thanks



Answers to last week's quiz

General Knowledge

1. In which animated film, does Mickey Mouse play the sorcerer's apprentice = **Fantasia**
2. What was the name of Goofy's son = **Max**
3. Which British actor provided the voice of Zazu the hornbill bird in 'The Lion King' = **Rowan Atkinson**
4. The characters Crush the turtle and Bruce the turtle comes which Disney Pixar film = **Finding Nemo**
5. In which US state did Disney open his first theme park = **California**

This week's quiz

General Knowledge

1. Who was the author of 'Alice's adventures in Wonderland'.
2. What is the name of Winnie-the-pooh donkey friend.
3. Which lion is the true king of Narnia.
4. In 'Lord of the flies', which boy had glasses and asthma.
5. What is the name of Asterix tall fat friend.

Good luck

NOTICES

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 31st October 2023**

to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk

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

Tony Prichard and the Finance Sub Committee