





**The new chairs are here . . . but we've more money to raise.**

**We hope you are pleased with the new chairs for St Paul's and St Tim's.**

**The new layout at St Paul's also seems to have been received favourably.**

**We are very grateful to all those who have already made donations, raising over £8,000 so far.**

**You will notice that some of the chairs (now 61 out of 150 ) have a ribbon tied on them as a visible sign that we have still to raise the money to pay for them too! If you would like to make a gift of one (or more) chairs at £91.20 each, or other amount, then please see Tony, or Diane or Viv.**

**As the money is raised, so the ribbons will be removed and placed in the Sunday offering each week. Once we have raised the money for all the chairs, we will arrange an act of thanksgiving in each of our centres. If you would like your donation to be in memory of someone then please let us know and we will arrange to display those names together in a framed print.**

**If anyone would like to have a couple of the old dark blue chairs (for free), please let Diane know. With thanks for your support, and to Tony, Diane and Viv for all their hard work.**

**Diana Kelly** would like to come to Church on a Sunday and it would help me if a lot if people who have cars would volunteer to take her. She is able to walk to the car and walk into Church. Please contact me so I can organize it.

Margaret (532849)

**At Malmesbury Abbey they are holding an event called Lifepath** and as Covingham and Nythe Schools are going it would be brilliant if Church folk, with current DBS clearance, could help. The dates we are looking at are Sunday June 28th, 4pm at the Abbey [for commissioning] and Monday 29th, 9.am until children leave 2.30pm.

Lifepath is exploring the Christian Faith through the life of a Monk who lived at the Abbey in 10th & 11th Centuries. You would go around with a Yr 5 group, join in with them as they take part in the workshops.

See me for details. Margaret (532849)

### **Holiday Club!**

This is a notice to let you know that Holiday club will be running this year. It will be running during the week commencing 26th July. The material we will be following is Space Academy which will help us to look at the book of Daniel. It would be great if you could start to think about being involved this year and if you are keen to help out during the week please email me ([hannah.mulcock@gmail.com](mailto:hannah.mulcock@gmail.com)) so that we can start the ball rolling! Thanks.

We are pleased to announce that we are holding a

### **Summer Fete - Sat. June 13th 2pm.**

Please see me or Di Killick if you have anything suitable for prizes or Toys, Bric a brac or anything choc for a Choc Tombola. Let your imagination run wild, not just choc to eat but biscuits, cake mixes, face packs look forward to seeing what turns up. We need lots of helpers for the usual stalls so please, please volunteer. Its not just to raise money but to bring our community into the Church. Margaret Tel 532849

**Horizons Wellbeing Project** on Wednesday mornings is doing well.

Would you like to be a part of it? Every Wednesday 10am-1pm, community cafe, Acorn Building in the grounds of Eldene Primary School.

You could Natter, knit or stitch, have a try at art or craft. Other ideas are in the pipeline come & share yours.

Further information from [annettelaw@btinternet.com](mailto:annettelaw@btinternet.com)

or Elizabeth H 497910

See you there.

On Sunday Afternoon the 28<sup>th</sup> June there will be a programme at St Paul's starting at 4-00pm, which Paul will lead.

**“Walk with Jesus”** a Service of reflection, with photos Readings and hymns, on the 10 days pilgrimage in the Holy Land taken in February-March.

The

afternoon will end with refreshments in the snug. Everyone is invited to join

**The next card Class** - 16th May 9.30 am-12.30pm will be led by Claire. Please have £9 to me by 3rd May. Thank you. Sandra

**Archdeacon Visitation –Sunday 10 May, 6:30pm at St Mary’s Rodbourne Cheney:** Archdeacon Christine Froude is visiting the deaneries across the diocese this month and these services are important occasions in our church calendar, bringing together churchwardens, clergy and parishioners for a time of celebration and thanksgiving, as well as the legal admission to office of churchwardens for 2015-6. In her Visitation Charge, Christine Froude, Archdeacon of Malmesbury, will reflect on our diocesan theme of Creating Confidence in Evangelism and how we can build on this in terms of our own personal discipleship. Please do come along – all are welcome – and particularly to support our Churchwardens Diane Killick and Viv Craig.

***For your prayers:***

*The earthquake in Nepal:* for those who have lost their homes and loved ones, and those working in the relief effort

*The general election this week:* that the common good will be pursued whatever the outcome

*Those who are bereaved:* that they may be comforted in their grief

*For our cluster colleagues:* For Vicky & George Fleming, Linda Fletcher & Teresa Michaux, and Bill O’Connell as he returns to work

**Safeguarding of Children basic on-line training.** If you work with children in the Dorcan Church you will have been asked to do this training. If you haven’t told me already please will you let me know when it is completed. Many of you have been through it, but there are still quite a few who need to be crossed off the list. If you are having any trouble with the programme on line, please let me know and I may be able to help. The basic training needs to be completed before the next stage which is a meeting at St. Tim’s on 13th May.

Anna (695698)

**Cluster social event - “Cluster Muster”: TODAY**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May from 4-6pm at St. Margaret’s Centre, Kenwin Close, Stratton.

We are part of the East Swindon cluster and this is an opportunity to come together socially with some of our cluster friends. There will be games, quizzes and fun for everyone of all ages. It would be lovely to see a number of us there and if you are coming then please do bring a plate of food to share – savoury of sweet. Drinks provided.

For more information please see

Tony & Jan P (520734) or Trudie Wigley (326128).

**We are delighted to share** that Nathan has been recommended to train for the priesthood. Thank you so much for your prayers and interest.  
The Mulcocks



**Hi Messy Church team!** Our next Messy Church is on 17th May and we'll be looking at the story of Joseph. If the team could turn up about 3:15pm to prepare that would be great! Thanks for your help, you're all brilliant!

Also, there are some posters at St Paul's, please, if you are able, can you take a few to put up in local shops/ home windows please!

**For your diary**— St Tims are holding their annual **Plant Sale and Coffee Morning** on 16th May—10 am until noon. As usual plants and cakes will be gratefully received. Sarah P.

**Dates for your diary:**

- *Quiet Day - Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June at Lydiard Tregoze:* Beth Lamb will be leading a quiet day of reflection and prayer for us next month on the theme of momentum and moving forward. Please look out for more details to follow next week.
- *Missional Vision Day – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September:* The ministry team have started preparations for an away-day after the summer holidays which will focus on outreach to the community and a vision for a way forward. This is an important date in the life of God's church here at Dorcan so please do put it in your diaries. More details to follow including venue.

**Part-time Church Administrator:** We are looking for a part-time administrator for 10-12 hours per week. Please could you spread the word about this position and further details can be found on the Dorcan website ([www.dorcan.org.uk](http://www.dorcan.org.uk)), or from Trudie Wigley (326 128)

Notices on the 10th May will be for two weeks, as I am away for a week. Anna

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to  
**Anna Newman by 7th May**

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(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)