

Two of the Thursday cell groups will be leading **carol singing at Edgehill Care Home** (formerly Wick House) in Liden at 6.30pm on Thursday 15th December. If you are able & willing to join us you would be most welcome. Thanks in anticipation. *Beth*

Christmas Care

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CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Saturday November 26th

St. Paul's 11.00am - 2pm

Donations of raffle prizes, items for the hampers, craft, cakes, homemade confectionery - items for the tombola stall etc. both bottles and toiletries will be most welcome.

Offers of help in setting up and running stalls would be appreciated.

Diane K. (336420)

You are invited to an 'Advent Angels' Workshop

At St Timothy's Church, Liden

On Sunday 27th November between 4.00 and 5.30pm

For children in school years; Reception to Y6 Cost £1 per child - Adults Free ! Children, please bring - an adult or two to stay with you and join in the Fun!

An Evening with Henry Olonga - Sharing the extraordinary story of the Test Cricketer who motivated by his Faith risked his life in drawing world attention to the extensive abuse of power in Mugabe's Zimbabwe.

Friday 2nd December 7.45pm. By Courtesy at Gateway Church, Westlea SN5 7AR. Admission by Ticket - £5.50 in advance, £6.50 on the door. Available from Christchurch Office, El Toro Restaurant 6 Devizes Rd. Earl's Newsagents 35 Newport St or by post on Swindon 770331, 700618 or 07788 437526 Meet the man - hear the story. Presented by Swindon United Churches Cricket Club.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Thursday 17th November Telephone: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk (please let me know if you would like notices by email)



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church
www.dorcanchurch.org.uk
13th November, 2011

Staff Team: Rev. Tony Knapp Tel: 525130
Rev. Beth Brown Tel: 826444
Rev. Andrew Wigley Tel: 523810

Tony & Beth both have Fridays off - Andrew has Tuesdays and Saturdays off. Please avoid contacting them at these times if possible.

SERVICES - 13th November - Remembrance Sunday

St. Paul's

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| 8.45am | Holy Communion | Tony Knapp |
| 10.30am | Remembrance Parade | Stuart Fisher |

St Tim's

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| 10.30am | Holy Communion | Tony Knapp |
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Eldene

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| 10.30am | Morning Worship | Alex Scott |
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Refreshments are served after the 10.30am services - please stay if you can.

**St. Paul's
6.00pm**

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| Living with Loss | Tony Knapp, Beth Brown and Andrew Wigley |
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LIVING WITH LOSS - There will be a special service at **6.00pm** today at St. Paul's - Remembrance Sunday. We will remember those we love who are no longer with us. We have sent invitations to all the families who have had a funeral conducted by Tony or Beth within the past 12 months. Please come to support the families, whether you have experienced bereavement or not.

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| Lectionary | Isaiah 25: 1-9 | Rev. 22: 1-14 |
| Readings - 13th November | Psalm 46 | Matt 5: 43-48 |

Welcome to the Dorcan Church.
If you are new, we would love to get to know you better.

| SERVICES - 20th November | | |
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| St. Paul's | | |
| 8.45am | Holy Communion | Beth Brown |
| 10.30am | Morning Worship | Neil Marshall |
| <i>Welcome: Dennis G., Teas: Margaret & Ray H., Sunday Tots: Nathalie M./Cathy K.</i> | | |
| St. Tim's | | |
| 10.30am | Holy Communion | Beth Brown |
| Eldene | | |
| 10.30am | Holy Communion | Tony Knapp |
| NEXT WEEK | | |
| Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders. | | |
| Mon. 14th Nov. | 2-4pm 7.30pm | Scrabble & Dominoes Fellowship & Bible Study at 7 Thorne Road |
| Tues. 15th Nov. | 1.30pm 7.30pm | Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Cell Group at Fitzmaurice Close, Covingham |
| Wed. 16th Nov. | 10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm | Holy Communion at St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell group at Tregantle Walk, Nythe |
| Thurs. 17th Nov. | 10.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm | Holy Communion at St. Paul's Cell Group at Falconscroft Cell Group - Austen Crescent Cell Group - Sutton Road, Eldene Cell Group - Sedgbrook, Liden |
| Sat. 19th Nov. | 6.00pm | X:Site at St. Paul's |
| Service of Remembrance - You are invited to a service at Immanuel Church, Upham Road at 4pm on Saturday 19th November. This has been organised by A.E.Smith & Son, Funeral Directors, and is open to all. Please contact them on 522023 to reserve your seat. | | |
| Prayer Initiative. For the next few weeks we will be praying for the residents of Kestral Drive, Bittern Rd, Lapwing Close and Partridge Close. Please also remember them in your private prayers. | | |
| The Tuesday Cell Group recently raised a total of £107 from their book sale which will be donated to the Turning Point Trust. Many thanks to all who supported the sale. <i>Diane L.</i> | | |

We thank you for your prayers over the weeks for Bethany Hope, our 4 yr old granddaughter. It is now 15 weeks since her brain bleed. It has been a long journey so far and we know there is a much longer way to go – but there are encouraging signs – she is still on a ventilator but her tracheotomy has been changed so that some air will flow over it and because of this she has made a few noises. She is not able to support herself but she does move her legs and arms albeit it a little ‘spastically’ and in the last day or so her fingers – and tongue! She seems to understand some commands, can hear and we believe is also beginning to show signs of possible sight. Sarah and Alan are very tired – One of them goes to the hospital each day for 7 am to get Bethany ‘up and dressed’ and in the evening they get her ‘ready for bed’ and stay until she falls asleep – maybe as late as 9pm or more and of course they take it in turns to be with her during the day. We can understand their desire to do so much for her but feel it would be good if they could entrust just more of her care to the nursing staff, to give themselves some space. Please pray for wisdom in the ordering of their day to day life with Rachel (9) and Ellie (7) It is hoped that the PCT will fund a 3 month stay at The Children’s Trust in Tadworth, Surrey ([see good website](#)) – this would be an intense rehabilitation time with Sarah and Alan taking turns about to stay with her. Sarah and Alan are so grateful for the prayers of so many people, thank you too for your prayers for us – we have so needed and welcomed such support from Dorcan friends. As we watch and wait we know that Bethany is in God’s more than capable hands surrounded by his love. *Jenny & Derek*

Prayer List. We currently have many names on our prayer list. If you are aware of anyone who has now recovered, could you please delete the name from

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Donations for the Swindon MS Therapy Centre
Tracy has not been able to take part this year in the fund-raising adventure in the Brecon Beacons. Many of you kindly sponsored Tracy in previous years; perhaps this year you may like to make a donation in the special container at St. Paul’s: or give your donation to the warden at St. Tim’s or Eldene. Thank you.

Plastic beakers for Christmas Fayre
Please take a plastic beaker and fill it with small items/sweets suitable for an adult or a child, for our stall at the Christmas Fayre. Please return your filled beakers to me, the container in church, or bring it to the church on the Friday evening before the Fayre on the Saturday. Many thanks. *Cathy Knapp*