

Parish News for Tidenham, St Briavels, and Hewelsfield and Brockweir

NEWS

CYFM Found!



We are delighted to announce Corette Firth has been appointed as Tidenham's new Children, Youth and Families Minister, subject to the required checks. We're really excited Corette is joining our ministry team.

She brings creativity, innovative thinking and a passion for seeing children, young people and families flourish and thrive, and will join us in late October.

Welcome Corette!

Harvest Festival



Sunday October 4th is Harvest Festival. Come along to St Mary and St Peter for Harvest Holy Communion (9.30am), St Luke for Harvest Family Worship (11.00am), St Michael and all Angels for Harvest Praise (6.00pm), St Mary the Virgin for Harvest Holy Communion (9.30am), and St Mary Magdalene for Harvest Praise (11.00am).

Harvest Thanksgiving is a relatively recent addition to the church calendar. Its origins are usually traced to the adaptation in 1843 of Lammas Day by the Revd R. S. Hawker, a parish priest in Cornwall. (Lammas or 'Loaf-mass', derived from the Anglo-Saxon *Hlafmaesse*, is an English feast in origin, held on 1 August as a thanksgiving for the first fruits of the wheat harvest.)

Everyone Welcome
to Tutshill's
HARVEST FESTIVAL
at St Luke's Church
11.00am
Sunday 4th October

He chose the first Sunday in October as a Christian response to coincide with the traditional but largely secular 'harvest home' celebration. An annual church celebration of the harvest certainly established itself rapidly with great popularity and was first recognized officially in the Church of England in 1862. Since then, many local traditions for the celebration have developed including the tradition of bringing to church gifts of fresh produce and other foodstuffs.



Tidenham Parish Quiet Day



A Tidenham Parish Autumn Quiet Day will take place at St Luke's Church on Saturday 10th October, from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Led by Revd Anna Griffiths, it will be a time for prayer, silent reflection and contemplation. The theme will be Joy - "Delight in the Lord."

Please contact Leonie Jones 07742977214 or Cate Phillips 07596185918 for information and to register. Or just come on the day. Don't forget to bring a packed lunch. All welcome!

Parish Coffee Morning

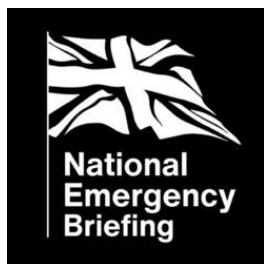
Please note there will be no Parish Coffee Morning this month. The next one is scheduled for Monday 26th October, 2026.



Offering

Offering can take many forms, including your time. If you are able and willing to help, we have 6 memorial benches that need painting with preservative to ensure they look appropriate and last a long time. If you can help, please contact Churchwarden Brian bduerden70@gmail.com 07809 671955 .

The People's Emergency Briefing - St Briavels, Brockweir & Hewelsfield



There are two free screenings of *The People's Emergency Briefing* coming up, the first at **St Briavels Assembly Rooms** on **13th October** and the second at **The Mackenzie Hall** on **19th November**. For both events, doors will open at 6.30pm, with a short introduction and the screening from 7pm, followed by a facilitated discussion.

These screenings are part of a UK-wide programme to inform the public about the climate crisis and about what it may mean for communities across the country. In November 2025, over 1,200 MPs, peers and leaders from business, culture, faith, sport and the media met at Westminster for the National Emergency Briefing, an event bringing together leading experts to assess the UK's exposure to climate and nature risks. This briefing set out the implications of climate breakdown for food security, public health, infrastructure, the economy and national security, alongside actions that could reduce these risks. Its findings have now been adapted into a 50-minute film, *The People's Emergency Briefing*.

The film presents a clear and evidence-based picture of the challenges ahead, while creating space for businesses, institutions and communities across the UK to consider what these issues may mean in their local area.

Following the film, attendees will be invited to take part in a structured discussion designed to support open conversation between residents about the issues raised and about what these may mean locally. After a summer of drought, wildfires and unprecedented temperatures, these nationwide screenings form part of a broader effort to build a shared understanding of climate risks across the UK, and to support constructive public dialogue about our future choices.

Tickets for the screening are free, but advance registration is encouraged. We recommend the film for age 16+ based on expert advice. To reserve your place:

St Briavels: scan QR code or email
Mel on melmacarama@gmail.com



Brockweir & Hewelsfield: scan QR code or
email Cari on carithomas32@gmail.com



If you would like to assist with these screenings, whether that's lending a hand to set up or to help host the table discussions, please do get in touch with us.

Tidenham Parish Lunch

The next Parish Lunch will be held at the Christian Centre in Woodcroft on Thursday 1st October. Come along for some good food and company. Contact George and Beryl for further information. All are welcome. georgechealey@gmail.com 01291 62555



RENEW Weekend



St James Church, Bream has hosted a special RENEW weekend every October for the last few years, and will be again this year. This has become an essential annual event for all who want to deepen their faith through an extended time of worship, talks and sharing conversation and food together. They would love you to join them.

The weekend starts on Friday 16th October in the evening with the first session of worship and teaching. There will be two more sessions on the Saturday, which will also include lunch, workshops and a separate hour of worship in the evening. The weekend concludes with a Sunday morning service with lunch after.

The theme this year is 'Courageous' and they are blessed to welcome Paul Langham, Chair of New Wine, as their speaker. Paul retired after almost 40 years of local church leadership in 2025, and was recently appointed Chair of the New Wine Board. He's married to Jackie, they have four grown-up children, and are now enjoying life as grandparents. He's the author of Understanding Revelation and Who?, a fresh translation of the New Testament published by Bible Society. Outside of ministry, Paul enjoys walking, tennis, photography and continues to hold onto his long-standing dream of one day seeing Arsenal win the Champions League.

Stu and Nat Dix will be the worship leaders. They may be familiar to you as they have already led many wonderful times of worship at St James, including their new monthly LIFT hour of worship, and at previous RENEW events. This event is free but they would be grateful for donations towards the running costs if you are able. If you'd like to book your space early then please email Claire admin@breamchurch.org.uk.

Events

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 6.00pm
St MICHAEL and ALL ANGELS,
TIDENHAM CHASE

COME AND SING
"HARVEST PRAISE!"

with a Choir from the Parish
ALL will be very welcome!



GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP

Sunday 27th September 2026

(Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity)

St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
9.00am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Luke, Tutshill
11.00am Holy Communion (Informal)

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase
6.00pm Evensong

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels
9.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield
11.00am Morning Worship

Wednesday 30th September 2026

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels
10.00am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Luke, Tutshill
12.00noon Healing Communion

Weekly Prayer Meetings

Praying throughout the year - This week, we will be praying for:
Wydean School and Sixth Form Centre

Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham, Monday 9.15am
Evening Prayer, St Luke, Tutshill, Monday 5.30pm

Morning Prayer, St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase, Tuesday 9.00am
Evening Prayer, St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase, Tuesday 5.00pm

Evening Prayer, St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield, Wednesday 5.00pm

Morning Prayer, St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels, Thursday 9.30am

Evening Prayer, Sedbury Space, Sedbury, Thursday 5.30pm

Bible Readings

Micah 6.6-8, Matthew 21.23-32

Prayers

Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Post Communion

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory Collect

Creator God, you made human beings stewards of your good creation, and so we offer ourselves in your service. May our work and hospitality, our use of money and our minds all testify to your goodness so that our lives may speak of your love and power to save. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who gave his life that we might live. Amen.

If you would like to include news or events, email tidenhamparish@gmail.com

