



"where the river flows everything will live"

Weekly Parish Briefing Sunday 16 May 2021

Question & Answer, Vicar David talks with Jane Penny, our Children and Families Minister!

Following the advertisement for a new Children, Youth and Families Missioner in the Parish, David and Jane have an 'on the record' conversation about Jane and this ministry.



D. Have you seen the advert in the Parish for the post of Children, Youth and Families Missioner?

J. Yes

D. In all seriousness, we have been talking for a while about 'what next' haven't we?

J. Yes, we've been talking and considering what next for me personally and what next in terms of the Children and Families Ministry in the Parish

D. One of the questions we've talked about is whether you have a sense of where God might be calling you?

J. For many years my sense has been that God has called me to be undertaking the ministry in this Parish, but over the last year as that question has come up, I have a sense that God might be calling me to something new.

D. We've had quite a few conversations about this haven't we... are you able to describe in any way why things feel this way? That's a very hard question, sorry!

J. It's just a sense of 'it's time to move on.' It's not that I don't love the children and families and love being a part of the church family here; there is just an inner sense of journeying forwards, onwards. I've been praying about this and talking with my spiritual director and friends and talking some of this through.

D. Thanks Jane. That's helpful. Therefore are you announcing at this point that as this current YCFM project comes to an end you won't be applying for the next new project?

J. Yes, sadly that is the case. I think it might be time for someone new to take on this important ministry. God has always been very good to me and I trust that he has something in store for me and for the role in the Parish.

D. So, there are things to pray about?

J. Oh yes! I would ask the church family to pray for me and my next steps, that I will keep trusting God, waiting for him, that I can discern the right next step in accordance with his will. I also really want us to pray about the ministry to our children and families going forwards, and that the right person walks into this role.

D. Jane, I can't believe it's been 7 years!!! That's going to be a big change not only for you, but for all of us here. You're part of the church family and it's going to be hard to see you moving on, and not only you leaving but others too.

J. Yes, it's usually always harder for those remaining than those who are moving on, but moving on to pastures new are a part of life.

D. When you started the role I said it was a pleasure and a privilege to have you in this ministry. As things come to an end for you, I think we can both reiterate this sentiment.

Finally, I want to say to the whole Parish, let's make the last few months really positive for Jane. I'm sure there will be opportunities to do that.

David & Jane



Please join together in praying "Thy Kingdom Come" daily from 13-23 May 2021

As Parishes here we will also be praying for our next steps as a Christian community, for the guidance of the Holy Spirit and for a renewal of our life together in Christ Jesus. We are going through a period of challenge and change and need to be in tune with the Holy Spirit and in harmony with one another as we journey into the future. We will be praying about various personnel and/or project changes and developments...

- For Revd Janice & Ewen as they prepare to move from this Parish to West Cheltenham in the summer.
- For Revd Nicki Bullivant who will be priested on Sat 26 June 2021.
- For the Children, Youth and Families Ministry following the advertisement for a Children, Youth and Families Missioner.
- For Jane as she waits on God in discerning what he has in store for her future
- For a new Parish Treasurer.
- For the restoration and right use of our church buildings
- For all of us that we may be faithful disciples and be ready to respond to call of Christ Jesus.

Many thanks

God bless

David

Vicar of Tidenham with Beachley and Lancaut and Priest in Charge of St Briavels with Hewelsfield & Brockweir.

Services in Parish of Tidenham

Easter 7, Sunday after Ascension, 16 May

9.30am Tidenham Church, Holy Communion (pre booking is required)



11am St Luke's Church Service, Morning Worship (pre booking is required)

Online Provision – St Luke's service will be recorded and available later in the day on the Parish YouTube channel. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckRjOlvDBT9M9usfhp2722w>.

For all services, if pre booking is required contact Clare 01291 627478 or tidenhamadmin@btinternet.com, No booking is necessary for outdoor worship.

Chase Church Services will restart from Sunday 23 May at 6pm, please contact Vicar David to book a seat.

The Bible readings: Acts 1:15-17&21-end, and John 17:6-19

The Collect: Risen, ascended Lord, as we rejoice at your triumph, fill your Church on earth with power and compassion, that all who are estranged by sin may find forgiveness and know your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer: Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

St Briavels and Hewelsfield Churches

Both of the Churches are open from 9am- 4pm for those who wish to find a space for quiet prayer and reflection, or just as a place of peace and calm.

Sunday Services 16 May

8.30am, St Briavels - BCP Communion

9.30am, St Briavels - All Age Eucharist

11.00am Hewelsfield - Morning Worship

Sunday 23 May is the feast of Pentecost (Whit Sunday). We are planning (Government Guidelines permitting) to hold an outdoor service in St Briavels at 6.45 pm to hear the preaching of a sermon for the

Whittington purse. In his will William Whittington made provision for money to be given to the poor of the parish and for the preaching of 4 sermons.

The preacher this year will be the Rev. Janice Hamilton. This service is normally followed by the distribution of The Bread and Cheese.

Mid-Week Communion will be available at the Vicarage in the marquee on Wednesdays at 11am and 12noon. Please contact David or Clare to book a place



Ascension Day outside worship at St Luke's Church 6am on Thursday 13 May, no booking required.

Morning Prayer

Mondays: 9.30am at St Mary & St Peter's Tidenham

Tuesdays: 9.00am Zoom online <https://zoom.us/j/122778377>

Wednesdays: 9.00am at The Vicarage, Tutshill

Wednesdays: 9:15am prayer for YCFM at St Luke's (contact Jane for details)

Thursdays: 9.00am at The Vicarage, Tutshill

23rd May: Gathering at St Luke's for children only at 3pm, pre-booking essential please contact Jane.

Tuesday mornings: New Baby & Parent Support Group will meet in the grounds of St Luke's Church. Please contact Jane for details or to book a place.

Life Group meetings – please contact relevant people if you'd like to join in

- Sunday 7.30pm – Life Group for men! Online - James Parsons at James.darsie@gmail.com
- Tuesday 1pm - Life Group, Outside St Luke's - Julia Parsons juliaparsons727@gmail.com
- Wednesday, 7.30pm Life Group, Online - fiona.m.gardiner@btinternet.com
- Wednesday 8pm – Life Group, Online - janice-hamilton@outlook.com
- Thursday 1pm - Life Group, Online – Jane Penny cfmtidenham@btinternet.com

St Luke's Church will be temporarily closed for mid-week private prayer and mid-week communion due to internal work being completed.

Churches open for Private Prayer

St Michael & All Angels' Church, Chase will be open for Private Prayer on Saturdays 9am-4pm

Parish News and Information

Your NHS services in Gwent have changed; please follow the link to find out how you can access services
<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/files/clinical-futures/clinical-futures-documents/clinical-futures-information-booklet/>

Tidenham Parish are looking to recruit a **Children, Youth and Families Missioner**, a copy of the advertisement can be found on page 5 and for more information please visit the Parish website
<https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/>

Tidenham Parish AGM - Due to Covid-19 restrictions a short 5-minute Annual General Meeting with no presentations or questions was held on Sunday 25 April at Tidenham Parish Church to conduct essential business. Copies of the annual accounts and annual report (electronic or hard copy) are available on request to Clare, our Parish Administrator, or Iain Gardiner, PCC Secretary.

'The News' from the Diocese of Gloucester - keeping you up to date, please follow this link
<https://www.gloucester.anglican.org/news-events/>

Daily Hope - Is a free national telephone line which offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of the phone 0800 804 8044.

Financial Support

If you would like to make a gift to the Church and also consider ongoing regular financial giving into 2021. Bank details are Tidenham Parochial Church, Sort Code 30-91-89 & Account number 00304754. Standing order and Gift Aid forms are available to download from the website. PCC wishes to thank all who have continued to give generously this year. You can donate directly on the website, go to <http://easydonate.org/COLLECT> or you can Text / SMS donations;

- ✧ To donate £5, text COLLECT to 70970,
- ✧ To donate £10, text COLLECT to 70191



TIDENHAM PARISH ONLINE LINKS AND CONTACTS

Parish Website: This has information, documents and links to other sites.

<https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk>

Facebook Page – for communicating news & info to the wider community. Please ‘follow’ or ‘like’.

<https://facebook.com/tidenhamparishchurch>

Facebook Group - all welcome to join this private group and post comments.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/114300818701466/>

YouTube channel: ‘Tidenham Parish Online Church’ with videos to assist your devotions.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w>

St Briavels & Hewelsfield website: www.stbandhchurches.org.uk

Revd David Treharne	01291 760034	dtrevid@aol.com
Revd Janice Hamilton	01291 626158	janice-hamilton@outlook.com
Revd Nicki Bullivant	07922 833835	benedictusnicki@gmail.com (Parish Day is Thursday)
Revd David Rees	01594 530443	david.rees17@btinternet.com
Revd Br Tom Clammer OC	01722 504938	tomclammer@gmail.com
Fiona Gardiner	01291 624868	fiona.m.gardiner@btinternet.com
James Parsons	07970 489362	james.darsie@gmail.com
Jane Penny	01594 563803	cfmtidenham@btinternet.com (urgent only Mon/Fri)
Ethan Richards	07933 249210	tidenhamyouth@gmail.com
Clare Presley (Admin)	01291 627478	tidenhamadmin@btinternet.com (Weekdays)
Brian Duerden	01291 623310	bduerden70@gmail.com (Churchwarden)
Nicholette Flatman	01291 621202	nicholetteflatman@gmail.com (Churchwarden)



CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MISSIONER

*In the Parish of Tidenham, near Chepstow
in the Diocese of Gloucester*



Living life together in the flow of God's love

We are looking for a suitably qualified and/or experienced individual who is passionate about working with children, youth and families and who is committed to enabling the church and wider community in worship, mission, discipleship and well-being.

This is an exciting full time opportunity to minister to children, youth and families with an option to include ministerial training

- **Pay:** £22 - £27K, depending on qualifications and experience (plus pension contribution and training)
- **Hours:** A full time post 37.5 hours (part-time considered)
- **Contract:** Fixed three year term due to funding; starting September 2021

If you think you may have the necessary skills and experience for the role then we would be delighted to hear from you.

For details of the role and an application form, visit the website www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk
For an informal chat about the post please contact the Vicar: Red David Treharne Tel: 01291 760034
email: DTRevd@aol.com

Closing Date for applications: Wednesday 19th May 2021 **Interviews:** Wednesday 26th May 2021

*As part of the Parish commitment to safeguarding this post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.
The PCC will follow national CofE safer recruitment practice in the appointment to this role.
This post also carries an occupational requirement under the Equality Act 2010 for the post holder to have a personal commitment to the Christian Faith.*