



"where the river flows everything will live"

Weekly Parish Briefing Sunday 2 May 2021

Some News...

Rev. Janice Hamilton

Congratulations to Janice on her appointment as the new Community Pioneer Minister for the West Cheltenham Parish. Janice's curacy ends in July and she and Ewen will be moving to Cheltenham over the summer.



Whilst on the one hand this is wonderful news it is also very sad news for us as a Parish. Janice and Ewen have been a massive part of the worshipping community here for around 30 years, so we will not only be saying goodbye to Janice the Curate and Ewen the Treasurer, PCC member and worship leader, but two people and a family who have been living life together with us for a long, long time.

Please do pray for Janice and Ewen as they prepare to leave us and begin a new chapter of life and ministry in Cheltenham.

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.

Congratulations to those elected to office at the Parish AGM, including Nicholette Flatman and Brian Duerden who were re-elected as Churchwardens until the next Annual Meeting in 2022. Elected to the PCC are John Ross Henderson, Polly Morgan, Andrew Palmer and Ethan Richards. They join our three Deanery Synod members Molly Mayo, James Parsons and Emma Phillips and our PCC members Iain Gardiner, Ewen Hamilton, Marilyn Henderson, Peter Jones, Robin Riordan, Melanie Walton and Chantelle Wynn. Alongside them as Ex-Officio PCC members are the ordained clergy Vicar David, Rev. Janice and Rev. Nicki, and our Readers Fiona Gardiner and James Parsons. Please pray for all those called to serve Christ and his Church on the PCC.

A big thank you to everyone who has supported the Parish since our last AGM in October 2020. The financial, pastoral and spiritual commitment and support during these trying times has once again been amazing. Thank you!



Treasurer

With Ewen Hamilton preparing to leave the Parish with Janice this summer there is a pressing need to find a new Parish Treasurer. This is a really important ministry in the Parish but one that is not carried out alone. Details of the role are being put together. If you are interested in the role or know of someone who may be interested please speak to one of the churchwardens Nicholette or Brian, or the PCC Secretary, Iain Gardiner.

As we journey onwards together may we know God's presence and leading and live life together in the flow of God's love.

God bless

David

Rev. David Treharne

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

Services in Parish of Tidenham

Fifth Sunday of Easter, 2 May



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

This service will be recorded and available later in the day on the Parish YouTube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlvDBT9M9usfhp2722w>. There will be no livestream this week.

11am St Luke's Church, Worship Without Walls. This service is outdoor worship suitable for all ages and stages of faith. Please bring your own drink and snack for afterwards. This service will go ahead whatever the weather, please dress appropriately.

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

The Bible readings: Acts 8:26-end and John 15:1-8

The Collect: Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer: Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and forever.

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. If you are planning to join a service please remember to wear a face covering.

Sunday Services 2 May

St Briavels 9.30am – Family Communion Worship

Hewelsfield 11.00am - Morning Worship

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



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

Splash: 11am via Zoom on 9 May

Tuesday mornings: New Baby & Parent Support Group will meet in the grounds of St Luke's Church on 4 May and 11 May. Please contact Jane for details or to book a place.

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

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
The church is opened by volunteers - if it's closed it may be because we have no volunteer for that day;
thank you for your understanding.

Parish News and Information

Congratulations to Tom and Emily who were married in Tidenham Church on 24 April, our first wedding of the year.

Congratulations to Polly and Lynn Morgan who became grandparents again to baby Isla.

Message from the Diocese to pray for India: India is suffering from a very severe second wave of the coronavirus and we have received news from our two partner dioceses.

Karnataka Central Diocese has seen a huge rise in infections the hospitals are struggling to cope with the numbers, lack of resources, including oxygen. Sadly, three of the clergy in the diocese have died and several people, including Bishop PK Samuel, diocesan staff and members of congregations have been infected. The Link Officer in Bangalore, the Revd Christy Gnanadasan, writes: 'Things are not good at the moment. Many are not getting beds in the hospitals. Kindly remember our nation, our state, and our diocese in your prayers.'

A similar story is emerging in the Diocese of Dornakal. Sadly two of the clergy have died. The second wave has also postponed the process of electing a new bishop, to replace Bishop Prasada Rao who died last year. Our Link Officer in Dornakal, Mr Shubhakar Ashirvadem, writes: 'You are all in our daily prayers. Please pray for the Diocese of Dornakal and for India.'

If you would like further information please contact our Link Officers:

Karnataka Central: Canon David Bowers dbowers@btinternet.com

Dornakal: the Revd Gary Grady garygrady@btinternet.com

'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.

Scarecrow Trail 2021 – Thank you to all creators, hosts and all who walked the trail. Eight of the participants scored 100%: Emma Phillips & Family, The Moore Family, Team Deens, mainly Ollie & Millie, Michelle & Mandy (Childminders), Gwilym Jenkins & Evie Rawlings, The Hobbs & Williams Family and The Meek Family. The favourite Scarecrows were: 1st Place - Finding Nemo by Sarah Lewis, the staff & children of Little Trees Nursery, 2nd Place - Wall-E by Steve Dilley, 3rd Place - Up by Michelle & Mandy (Childminders), 4th Place - Lilo & Stitch by Katie Weller, Shanta Jordan-Shah & Alastair Harvey. We really appreciate everybody's support, thank you. The Scarecrow Team



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.



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

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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/UcKriOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w>

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

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