



"where the river flows everything will live"

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY 12TH MARCH

Third Sunday of Lent

As we journey through a renewing Lent, may we learn and relearn to live life together in the flow of God's amazing love.

St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham

Holy Communion 9.00am

St Luke's, Tutshill

Holy Communion 11.00am with Splash children's provision

Youth Breakfast 10.30am

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase

Compline 4.00pm

(reverting to BST 6.00pm at the end of the month)

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

Family Holy Communion 9.30am

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield

Family Communion 11.00am

Bible Readings: Exodus 17:1-7 and John 4:5-42

The Collect: Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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 for ever.

Post Communion Prayer: Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

WEEKDAY SERVICES IN OUR PARISH

Monday

9.30am Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham

9.15am Children & Families Morning Prayer at Esnadene – fortnightly from 6th March, contact juliaparsons727@gmail.com

Tuesday

9.00am Morning Prayer, St Mary's Priory, Chepstow (Churches Together)

Wednesday

9.00am Contemplative Prayer, St Luke's, Tutshill

12.00am Healing Communion, St Luke's, Tutshill

Thursday

9.00am Morning Prayer, St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

5.00pm Evening Prayer, Sedbury Space

Please don't dunk!

"The Church of England advises against the practice of 'intinction' – when the consecrated bread is dipped into the wine - this could represent an infection transmission route."

See www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk or www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w

LIFE GROUP MEETINGS WEEKLY: Please contact your group leaders, if you would like to join us.

Sunday

7.30pm Life Group for Men! Online with James Parsons jamesdparsons727@gmail.com

Monday

2.00-3.30pm Bible Study at Sedbury Space - Revd Nicki nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk

7.30-9.00pm **Living the Christian Life** – see below, started 27th February @ 7.30pm in St Luke's.

Lent 2023 - think seriously about what you are called to be and/or do this Lent. Lent can be a time of transformation.

In this Year of Discipleship and season of Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday, we are once again invited on a journey of deepening our relationship with the Lord. The theme for Lent is 'Living the Christian Life' and we will look at five areas of Christian life:

- 1. Living God's Way: God's commandments, ethics and lifestyle*
- 2. Serving the Lord: Christian ministry and calling*
- 3. Your money and your life: Christian attitudes to money and possessions*
- 4. Learning to Love: Relationships and matters of forgiveness and reconciliation*
- 5. Sharing the Faith: Sharing our story*

All the Parish Life Groups are invited to engage with this material and there is a Lent Life Group for Monday evenings... 13 Mar, 20 Mar and 27 Mar meeting at 7.30-9.00pm in St Luke's Church, Tutshill.

Tuesday

1.00pm with Julia Parsons juliaparsons727@gmail.com

Wednesday

10.15-11.45am Food for Thought Life Group at Café on the Hill.

7.30pm with Fiona/Wendy, **breaking for Lent and Easter**

7.45-9.00pm fortnightly @ John & Esther Woolcock's. Contact Esther on essywoolcock@googlemail.com

Thursday

1.30pm with Tanya White at Rockymead - tanya.rockymead@gmail.com.

PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING / ANNUAL REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL - Tidenham Parish, Iain Gardiner, Church Electoral Roll Officer 01291 624868.

This year's Annual Church Meeting (APCM /AGM) will be held at 12:00 noon in St Luke's Church, Tutshill, on Sunday 23rd April, i.e. after the Morning Service, followed by a Bring & Share lunch.

In advance of that meeting, the PCC must review the existing Church Electoral Roll which has been posted on all Church notice boards, between Sunday 19th March and Sunday 2nd April. If your name is already on the Roll, you don't need to do anything! If your name is **not** on the Church Electoral Roll and you wish to register, application forms are available at the back of each church, or email me at iain706gardiner@btinternet.com. These should be completed and returned to me either electronically or via hard copy no later than Sunday 2nd April.

The formal legal notice of the proposed annual revision to the roll and Tidenham Parish's GDPR privacy notice redated January 2023 have also been posted on the church notice boards.

Breathe Youth - Once again, Breathe Youth are looking to increase its number of volunteer mentors to support young people in the Forest of Dean who are currently facing challenges.

To help meet this demand, we are holding an online event on Wednesday 29th March, 7.00-7.45pm. It will be an information session with the chance for potential volunteers to find out more about Breathe Youth and what is involved in our mentoring programme. Click on this link to find out more or register [link](#)

Fairtrade for Easter – if you would like Fairtrade Easter eggs, please speak to Julia or Cate. Orders by 26th March please: £4.50 for milk chocolate, £5.50 for plain, fun packs of six smaller eggs are £5.00 and packs of Divine mini eggs £4.99. There is a small postage fee of 50p on each order unless there are enough orders.

There is also a Fairtrade Trail until 12th March – pick up your questionnaire from Toytastik or Coffee#1 and have fun on the trail. Return your entries from where you collected them and enter into the prize draw for a whole hamper of Fairtrade goodies.

Used Postage Stamps for Charity – If you would like us to continue collecting, please let us know.

Rotas – please can you give us a hand with refreshments after the Sunday service at St Luke's Tutshill? It's only once a month – please let Polly or Nicholette know. Same for cleaning, please help!

Parish Well-Being Easter Coffee Morning – come along to St Luke's 10.00-12.00am for our next get-together on **27th March** for a chat and a coffee, with an Easter theme – please bring/make an Easter bonnet or hat! Please contact Polly Morgan, Pastoral Assistant, for more info pollyanne60@icloud.com.

Scarecrow Trail – 26th March-15th April. Very soon we have our special pilgrimage around Tutshill with our family Scarecrow Trail, Musicals – Stage or Screen. Grab a form from Lifestyle Express, Tutshill, from Friday 24th and get your family and friends along to join you on this fantastic community event to raise money for our Parish churches and local charities. Please contact Emma 07369 226546 - emmad.cyfm@gmail.com - or the Scarecrow team on scarecrowtrail@yahoo.com

To Be Connected (TBC) is a Forest wide Christian Young Adults group (18-30yr olds). First Wednesday of the month, 7.00-8.30pm at Ruardean Hill Baptist Church, Ruardean GL17 9AZ and on Zoom. For more info, please contact jonathan@togetherforyouth.co.uk

Tutshill Baby & Toddler Group – Tuesdays 9.15-10.45am at St Luke's, Tutshill. Term time only. Emma Durbin 07369 226546 or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1130508917404741>

Sedbury Stay & Play for pre-school families – Wednesdays 9.15-10.30am at Sedbury Village Hall. Term time only. Emma 07369 226546 or <https://www.facebook.com/SedStayandPlay>

Parish Lunch – 12.15pm first Thursday of the month at Woodcroft Centre, but we have one on 30th March and none in April. Contact George and Beryl for more info 01291 625551.

Pilates – Tuesdays 2.00-2.45pm, St Luke's Church, Tutshill; part of our Wellbeing initiative with gentle physical activity to support spiritual health. Contact Loreto on 07883 401475 / loreepinosaa@icloud.com .

What's On at Sedbury Space - check at <https://www.sedburyspace.org.uk>

One Stop Café - Tuesdays 10.00-12.00am - come for a cuppa and a chat at Sedbury & Beachley Village Hall

Memory Café - First Wednesday of each month 2.00-3.30pm

Chaplaincy Chatroom - Thursdays 1.30-3.30pm

Financial Support – are you able to give a financial gift to God's church here in this Parish or can you increase your regular giving. Thank you to all those who do. Parish Bank Account - Tidenham Parochial Church Sort Code 30-91-89 Account Number 00304754. Standing Order & Gift Aid Forms available to download from Website and there is a card reader in church.

<https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/giving/> Parish Treasurer - Paul Coombs

TIDENHAM PARISH ONLINE LINKS & CONTACTS

Parish Website: www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk

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

Facebook Group: all welcome to join this private group:

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

'The News' from the Diocese of Gloucester - <https://www.gloucester.anglican.org/news-events/>

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