



*"where the river flows everything will live"*

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

**SUNDAY 20 APRIL 2025  
EASTER DAY**

**St Mary & St Peter Tidenham**

9.00am Holy Communion with Archdeacon Hilary presiding

**St Luke Tutshill**

11.00am Family Holy Communion with Archdeacon Hilary presiding  
Easter Egg Hunt afterwards

**St Michael & All Angels Chase**

6.00pm BCP Holy Communion

**St Mary the Virgin St Briavels**

8.30am BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am Family Communion

**St Mary Magdalene Hewelsfield**

11.00am Holy Family Communion

**Bible Readings: Acts 10:34-43 and Luke 24: 1-12**

**Collect:** Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity.

**Post Communion:** God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Low Sunday 27 April**

11.00am Family Holy Communion, St Luke Tutshill and no services at Tidenham and Chase

## MID-WEEK GATHERINGS IN OUR PARISH

### MONDAYS – not Bank Holidays

9.30am Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter Tidenham

9.15am Children & Families Morning Prayer. Contact [juliaparsons727@gmail.com](mailto:juliaparsons727@gmail.com)

### TUESDAYS

9.00am Morning Prayer, St Mary's Priory Chepstow

5.00pm Evening Prayer, St Michael & All Angels Chase

### WEDNESDAY

9.15am Contemplative Prayer, St Luke Tutshill

12.00am Healing Holy Communion, St Luke Tutshill

### THURSDAY

9.00am Morning Prayer, St Mary the Virgin St Briavels

5.00pm Evening Prayer, Sedbury Space – **not this week**

See [www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk](http://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk) or [www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w)

## LIFE GROUP WEEKLY MEETINGS



**Come and join a Life Group, open to all, running throughout the week; we talk about life and faith or topics relevant to what's happening around us.**

### Monday - not Bank Holidays

2.00-3.30pm Bible Study at Sedbury Space - Revd Nicki [nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk)

### Tuesday

1.00pm with Julia Parsons [juliaparsons727@gmail.com](mailto:juliaparsons727@gmail.com)

### Wednesday

10.30-11.45am Food for Thought Life Group at Café on the Hill

7.30pm with Wendy at home

7.45-9.00pm fortnightly @ John & Esther Woolcock's. Contact Esther on [essywoolcock@googlemail.com](mailto:essywoolcock@googlemail.com)

### Thursday

1.30pm at Tanya's – [tanya.rockymead@gmail.com](mailto:tanya.rockymead@gmail.com) for information

### Youth

If you want to know more about faith, have fun and food, come to our weekly Youth Group with regular events specifically for your age group. Contact Emma 07369 226546 or [emmad.cyfm@gmail.com](mailto:emmad.cyfm@gmail.com)

## PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

### ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS SUNDAY 11 MAY / OUR NEW CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Our Annual Church Meetings (Annual Meeting of Parishioners and APCM) will be held at 12:00 noon in St Luke's Church Tutshill on Sunday 11 May, after the usual church service.

This is the opportunity for our church community to elect two churchwardens for the next 12 months and one third of our Parochial Church Council (PCC) members for the next 3 years. Our current churchwardens Brian Duerden and Robin Riordan have both advised that they are willing to stand for another year. There are expected to be six vacancies for the PCC this year, and Paul Coombs has indicated that he is willing to stand for another 3-year term.

If you would like more information, please do speak to the churchwardens or to Iain Gardiner. Application forms for nominating churchwardens and PCC Members are available from Annabelle, Iain or download from the website and hard copies are available at the back of each church. The formal legal notice of these meetings has been posted on church notice boards.

The Trustees' Report and Annual Accounts for 2024 have been approved by PCC and signed off by our Independent Examiner. If you wish an electronic or hard copy of this document or the other papers for our Annual Church Meetings, please do let Annabelle or Iain know.

*Iain Gardiner Tidenham PCC Secretary: 07738 095839 [iain706gardiner@btinternet.com](mailto:iain706gardiner@btinternet.com)*

### **Creation of our new Church Electoral Roll**

In advance of the Annual Church Meetings, the PCC has this year been required to create a brand new Church Electoral Roll, which has been posted on all Church notice boards.

Thanks to everyone who has submitted their forms! If there are any errors, please do let Iain know! *Iain Gardiner Tidenham PCC Church Electoral Roll Officer:*

Contact 07738 095839 or email: [iain706gardiner@btinternet.com](mailto:iain706gardiner@btinternet.com)

## **"AFTER EASTER SPECIAL CELEBRATION COFFEE MORNING" MEET FRIENDS! BRING FRIENDS! MAKE FRIENDS!**

Come and have fun at this special event Monday 28 April 1000-1200 at St Luke - we will have an Easter Bumper Raffle Prize and other prizes and any monies raised will go to the Wellbeing Fund.

With our Blessings - Polly Morgan, Pastoral Assistant, and Reverend Nicki Bullivant. Contact Polly 07724738848, if you wish to give any raffle prizes.

### **Flowers at St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase Church**

If you would like us to remember a loved one or a memorable event when we are arranging flowers in the church, please contact us with your details and the date: [susanna.jacks@btinternet.com](mailto:susanna.jacks@btinternet.com) or 07411 188627. We can remember them in church prayers that week too, if you wish. Donations towards the flowers would be welcomed, but not essential.

## **BINS AGAIN!**

When visiting your dear departed in the churchyard, please think and put garden waste in the Green Wheelie and cellophane wrappings and unrecyclable waste in the Black Bin. It is a real pain sorting out rubbish on Bin Day – please be considerate, thank you.

### **ANNUAL TUTSHILL SCARECROW TRAIL IS ON & LIVE ONLINE!**

#### **THE TUTSHILL SCARECROW TRAIL IS NOW ONLINE**

**PLEASE FORWARD THIS EMAIL ON TO YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY SO THAT AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE CAN ENJOY THIS FUN EVENT – WHEREVER THEY LIVE!**

The annual Tutshill Scarecrow trail "Favourite Books" is now on. £3 entry forms are available as usual from the Lifestyle Express Shop in Tutshill NP16 7DJ. The trail is also now available online for people who find it difficult to walk around or just live too far away – enjoy it at home or abroad!

The online trail can be found via the JustGiving website - just type in "Tidenham Parish Church" or copy and paste this link:

This year funds go to Tidenham Parish Churches, SARA (Severn Valley Rescue Association) and The Wye Valley Greenway.

### **MAKING YOUR £3 DONATION**

We invite you to make a £3 donation to enter the competition via the above JustGiving page and be eligible to win the special online prize.

## **LATEST UPDATE – THE VACANCIES**

For our next round of advertising for this vacancy, Archdeacon Hilary and Bishop Robert, as well as the Area Dean Bea and Deanery Lay Chair Chris, have produced the following schedule:

Church Times - Friday 9 May, 16 May, 23 May and 30 May with a Closing Date of 9.00am Wednesday 4 June, shortlisting Monday 9 June 2025 at 7.30pm and interviews Monday 23 June 2025.

Please really pray for a successful outcome this time and that with God's guidance we find the right match; in the meantime, please contact Revd Nicki for pastoral matters and Churchwardens, Brian or Robin, for non-pastoral matters.

Emma Durbin, our Children, Youth and Families Missioner will be retiring at the end of July (but will remain a faithful member of our Parish). We shall be advertising for a new Missioner to take over from Emma and running a stewardship campaign to support funding for the position, so please pray for both positions:

***Heavenly Father, during this vacancy, guard and grow the Parishes of Tidenham, St Briavels and Hewelsfield, as we serve you together in this period without a Priest in Charge.***

***Lord Jesus, we know you have plans for us and that these plans are good. We ask you now that You will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others, and welcome newcomers.***

***Lord, we thank you for all of the children, Youth & Families in this parish. Please lead the right person to us, to lead us forward in this ministry.***

***Holy Spirit, please guide those who are seeking the right person for us, and those who are seeking the right place for their ministry, that together we may discover Your way for the future and see Your Kingdom grow. All this we ask in the strength of the Holy Trinity. Amen.***

## **Tidenham Parish Quiet Day**

Saturday 14 June at Ty Mawr Convent. Please register your place with either Leonie Jones 07742977214 or Cate Phillips 01291 624260.

### **CYFM SNIPPETS & WELLBEING MINISTRY**

Could you volunteer **one morning a month** to make tea, coffee and toast for tired parents and gorgeous toddlers? Our weekly Baby & Toddler groups are a special time as a Church to minister in our local community. If you feel that you could be a part of this ministry, please talk to Emma or Non.

**OUR LITTLE LARDER @ ST LUKE TUTSHILL** – If stocks are low, don't worry please – contact Revd Nicki on 07936 787409.

**PARISH COFFEE MORNING FOR YOUR WELLBEING AND JUST GOOD FUN – LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH** 10.00-12.00am at St Luke: Polly Morgan – 07724 738848 – pollyanne60@icloud.com

**PARISH LUNCH** – Usually first Thursday of the month 12.15-1.30pm at Woodcroft Christian Centre, but please check with George and Beryl for the next one: georgechealey@gmail.com or 01291 625551.

**Tuesday Bell Ringing** – Postponed until after all the works at Tidenham. Contact Cate 07596 185918.

#### **OUR PARISH BABY & TODDLER GROUPS**

**TUTSHILL BABY & TODDLER GROUP** – Tuesdays 9.15-10.45am at St Luke, Tutshill. **Term time only with Breakfast Club in half term and holidays.** Emma 07369 2265406 or

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1130508917404741>

**SEDBURY STAY & PLAY** - our Parish runs a wonderful group for pre-school families – Wednesdays 9.15-10.45am at Sedbury Village Hall. **Term time only.** We do need extra help from time to time please.

Contact Emma 07369 226546 or <https://www.facebook.com/SedStayandPlay>

#### **FOREST WIDE YOUTH GROUPS:**

**To Be Connected (TBC)** for Christian Young Adults (18-30yr olds), 7.00-8.30pm first Wednesday each month at Ruardean Hill Baptist Church GL17 9AZ and on Zoom. Contact [jonathan@togetherforyouth.co.uk](mailto:jonathan@togetherforyouth.co.uk)

**BREATHE** - Breathe Youth is a Christian Charity based in the Forest of Dean. Tel: 07738 422831 Email: [rjulius@breatheyouth.org.uk](mailto:rjulius@breatheyouth.org.uk) <http://www.breatheyouth.org.uk/>

**Pilates for Wellbeing** – Tuesdays 2.00-2.45pm, St Luke, Tutshill; gentle physical activity to support spiritual health. Contact Loreto on 07883 401475 / [lorespinosaa@icloud.com](mailto:lorespinosaa@icloud.com)

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

Bible Study – Mondays 2.00-3.00pm (**not Bank Holidays**)

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 1.30-5.00pm – **not this week**

**Tidenham Parish Church is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. All post holders and volunteers are expected to share this commitment. All appointments are subject to acceptable pre-appointment checks, including a satisfactory DBS Check where applicable.**

#### **PLEASE GIVE – WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**Parish Bank Account** - Tidenham Parochial Church. Sort Code 30-91-89. Account Number 00304754.

**Please give by Standing Order instead of Cash** – see Churchwardens or the Parish website.

**Giving by Cheque** - Please make payable to **Tidenham Parochial Church**.

#### **TIDENHAM PARISH ONLINE LINKS & CONTACTS**

Parish Website: [www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk](http://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk)

St Briavels & Hewelsfield website: [www.stbandhchurches.org.uk](http://www.stbandhchurches.org.uk)

Facebook 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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