



"where the river flows everything will live"

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

**SUNDAY 8 JUNE 2025
PENTECOST**

St Mary & St Peter Tidenham
9.00am Holy Communion

St Luke Tutshill
10.30am Youth breakfast at John & Esther's
11.00am Holy Communion with Splash/Youth

St Michael & All Angels Chase
6.00pm Compline with Br. Tom

The following services will be Br. Tom's last regular duties in these churches:

St Mary the Virgin St Briavels
9.30am Family Communion

St Mary Magdalene Hewelsfield
11.00am Holy Communion

Bible Readings: Acts 2: 1-21; John 14: 8-17

Collect: God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion: Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

MID-WEEK GATHERINGS IN OUR PARISH

FIVE CHURCHES FELLOWSHIP

Monday 30 June 7.30-9.00pm in St Mary & St Peter Tidenham. A gathering of folk from our five churches to meet together for an evening of Worship, Fellowship and Teaching, led by Tudor and Anna on this occasion – all welcome. Please come and let's encourage one another and praise our Lord!

MONDAYS – not Bank Holidays

9.30am Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter Tidenham

9.15am Children & Families Morning Prayer. Contact 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

See www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk or 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

Tuesday

1.00pm with Julia Parsons juliaparsons727@gmail.com

Wednesday

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

7.30pm with Fiona and Wendy at home: Fiona 01291 624868 or fiona.m.gardiner@btinternet.com

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

Thursday

1.30pm at Tanya's – tanya.rockymead@gmail.com for information

Youth

If you want to know more about faith, enjoy 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

PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

Bro. Tom Clammer

This week's services at St Briavels, Hewelsfield and Tidenham Chase will be the last services to be taken by Revd Brother Tom Clammer in those churches as part of our regular rota. He will be taking Holy Communion services at Tidenham and Tutshill on Sunday 13 July. We are most grateful for all his support for the ministry in our parishes over the last several years.

SAVE THE DATE



Parish Church Picnic at St Luke Tutshill on Sunday 6 July 12.30-3.00pm
More info next week about this really exciting parish event.

 **SATURDAY JUNE 14th**
7.30pm
 Charity no. 1159658

"WELCOME TO SUMMER"
- a GALA CONCERT

 **St MARY & St PETER**
CHURCH, TIDENHAM 

AN EVENING OF WONDERFUL MUSIC
WITH
YOUNG PROFESSIONAL SOLOISTS

 **MAISIE O'SHEA (Soprano)**
MOLLY BEERE (Alto)
Laurie STANDISH HAYES (Tenor)
LUCAS MAUNDER (Bass)
ELIZABETH BONSELL (Accompanist) 

Tickets £15, including refreshments

All proceeds to the Friends of Tidenham Church
 Please contact Marje & Brian for further information
 Tel. 01291 623310, bdurden@doctors.org.uk or
secretary.friends@icloud.com

Friends of Tidenham Church
FLOWER & ARTS
FESTIVAL

'ALL THINGS BRIGHT & BEAUTIFUL'
St Mary & St Peter's Church
Tidenham NP16 7JQ

Fri 20th June 2pm-5pm
Sat 21st June 2pm-5pm
Sun 22nd June 10.30-4pm
Mon 23rd June 10.30-4pm

CHEESE & WINE
Sat 21st June 7pm-8.30pm

TICKETS: Pre-booked £8
On the door £10

Contact: secretary.friends@icloud.com
Mobile: 07876 346006

Registered Charity Number: 1159658

DRYBROOK & DISTRICT LADIES CHOIR
WITH MATHERN MEN'S CHOIR

SUMMER
CONCERT

4TH JULY
7.30pm @ St. Lukes
Coleford Rd. Tutshill, NP16 7PT

*tea/coffee/cake *raffle* retiring donations*

Proud to support
Breathe Youth Charity & our own
Children, Youth & Families ministry

Breathe Youth Charity 1488211

CYFM Snippets

- More info very soon on Parish Family Picnic on 6 July – it is going to be great fun, so save the day on your calendars
- 29 June Wenchford picnic has been cancelled
- Prayer for Children Youth & Families 8.30-9.30am 12 July at St Luke Tutshill with breakfast, but please sign up on the sheet in the porch. All welcome!
- Youth trip to Cardiff on 7 June

FANTASY FOOTBALL – ST LUKE'S LEAGUE

24-25 season has ended with a hard-fought battle for points. Tudor finished top this year – who will challenge for the top spot next year?! Keep an eye out for details on joining in next season.

St Mary & St Peter Tidenham – now open regularly on Sundays and Mondays 9am-5pm.

Flowers at St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase Church

Please contact Susanna Jacks if you would like to remember someone special with flowers or prayers: susanna.jacks@btinternet.com or 07411 188627.

AN UPDATE FROM BRIAN & ROBIN ON THE VACANCY FOR OUR VICAR

As most of you know, the post of Vicar of Tidenham and Priest in Charge of St Briavels and Hewelsfield parishes was advertised in the Church Times (print and on-line) for four weeks in May. The closing date for applications was set as 4 June. Unfortunately, by that date no applications have been received; although there had been some serious interest, it did not result in an application. We know that everyone will be disappointed, but we will continue discussion with Archdeacon Hilary and diocese colleagues on taking forward the search for a new vicar. There has to be a gap before it can be advertised formally again, but the post remains “open” on the diocese website and can be openly promoted if further interest emerges in the short term.

Our plans for carrying the parish activities forward through the summer and into the autumn and winter are already being developed and we will continue as we have been doing for the last nine months. We are very grateful indeed for all the support of our clergy team – Nicki Bullivant, our Associate Priest and Wellbeing Chaplain, Tudor and Anna Griffiths, Miri Keen and Ed Pruen (PTO Clergy), James Parsons our Lay Reader and David Rees at St Briavels and Mandy Vaughan at Hewelsfield, both of whom also take occasional services at Tidenham Chase. They are working together to keep our ministry thriving and we also have the offer of support from Gloucester Diocese. Many thanks to all of them! There may have to be some adjustments and compromises as we move forward but the main thrust of our services and ministry will be maintained.

The PCC and Wardens will be reviewing the situation, but we are all committed to sustaining the activity and business of the parish. Again, thanks for all the hard work that they are putting in. We are also grateful for the support of our congregations and the unsung heroes, our volunteers, who willingly pick up the often mundane tasks to keep things going.

This week’s news is not a disaster, disappointing as it is, and we will move forward in the expectation that, in due course, the right “fit” will be found of a vicar who would like to join and lead us and who will be welcomed by us.

A PRAYER DURING THE VACANCIES

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 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 07596 185918.

OUR LITTLE LARDER @ ST LUKE TUTSHILL – If stocks are low, don't worry please – contact Revd Nicki on 07936 787409. **Chepstow Foodbank** is desperate for supplies, particularly tinned veg, tinned spaghetti hoops and tomatoes, pasta and rice, pasta sauces, rice pudding, custard, jam, biscuits and toothpaste. Contact www.chepstow.foodbank.org.uk

PARISH COFFEE MORNING FOR YOUR WELLBEING AND JUST GOOD FUN – LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH but not Bank Holidays 10.00-12.00am at St Luke Tutshill: 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.

Regular Bell Ringing is back at St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham – Sunday ringing from 8.30am. Weekly practice Tuesday evenings 7.30-9.00pm. All ages and abilities welcome - 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

BREATHE - Breathe Youth is a Christian Charity based in the Forest of Dean. Tel: 07738 422831 Email: 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

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

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

St Briavels & Hewelsfield website: 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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