

"where the river flows everything will live"

## **GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP**

# Third Sunday of Easter

St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham 9.00am Holy Communion

## St Luke's, Tutshill

10.30 Youth Breakfast at Kathy's 11.00am Holy Communion with Splash children's provision followed by Annual Church AGM

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase 6.00pm Compline

**St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels** 9.30am Family Communion

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield 11.00am Morning Worship

Bible Readings: Acts 3:12-19 and Luke 24:36b-48

Collect: Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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: Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

## MID-WEEK GATHERINGS IN OUR PARISH

## **MONDAYS**

- 9.30am Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham
- 9.15am Children & Families Morning Prayer fortnightly see website calendar, venue varies. Contact juliaparsons727@gmail.com

## **TUESDAYS**

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

#### WEDNESDAYS

- 9.00am Contemplative Prayer, St Luke's, Tutshill
- 10.00am Holy Communion, St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels fortnightly generally
- 12.00am Healing Communion, St Luke's, Tutshill

#### **THURSDAYS**

- 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 MEETINGS WEEKLY

Here are our Life Groups, open to all, running throughout the week; we talk about life and faith or specific topics relevant to what's happening around us. **Please contact leaders for information.** 

## Monday

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

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

- 7.30pm with Wendy or Fiona at home
- 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 are a young person and want to know more about faith, have fun and food with your peers, come along to our weekly Youth Group. We have regular events specifically for your age group. Contact Emma for details 07369 226546 or emmad.cyfm@gmail.com

## **PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION**

## **ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**

## **Annual Report for 2023**

The usual 52-page Annual Report for 2023 is available. Please let Annabelle know, if you want an electronic copy. We will produce a very limited number of hard copies, as our experience in previous years is that many copies had to be recycled without being read.

The Annual Church Meeting will be held at 12 noon prompt in Tutshill church on Sunday 14 April AFTER the morning service, which starts as usual at 11.00am. The agenda is available on church notice boards and from Annabelle / Iain Gardiner.

This year there are vacancies for: -

- · two churchwardens and
- seven members of the PCC.

Nomination forms are available at the back of our churches.

One of our current churchwardens, Nicholette Flatman, is stepping down, as she has served the maximum six consecutive terms in office. Brian Duerden has advised that he is willing to serve as churchwarden for another year. PCC member Robin Riordan has advised he is willing to serve as Churchwarden.

PCC members Andy Palmer and Polly Morgan have advised that they are willing to seek re-election. Nicholette Flatman and Tanya White have submitted nomination forms. This does not preclude anyone putting their name forward!

There are vacancies for: -

- PCC Secretary (lain Gardiner stepping down)
- Deputy Treasurer (unfilled position)
- Health & Safety Advisor (unfilled position).

If you think that you have the skills of governance, H&S, finance, administration, seeing the detail, then either speak to a PCC Member, Revd David or one of the team.

The Annual Accounts for 2023 were approved by PCC on 11 March and signed off by our independent examiner, Andy Royle. They will be presented to the Annual Church Meeting.

If you want a copy of the Trustees' Report and Annual Accounts for 2023, please contact PCC Secretary Iain Gardiner who will email a copy to you. A hard copy is also available - Iain Gardiner, Tidenham PCC Secretary, 01291 624868

**Confirmation** - On Sunday 5 May 2024 at 11.00am we are having a Confirmation & Holy Communion gathering with Bishop Rachel at St Luke's Church. Come and support those being Confirmed and enjoy light refreshments after. This will give you a chance to speak to Vicar David or one of the team, if you are interested in being confirmed or baptized yourself.

Bring & Share Lunch – after Morning Service on 19 May at St Luke's Tutshill to celebrate Revd Nicki being licensed as Associate Priest to our parish.

## **URGENT - HELP NEEDED FOR COFFEE HOSTS ON SUNDAY'S AFTER SERVICE**

We need two helpers each Sunday. If we cannot get enough helpers, then there will be no coffee served! Thank you to Nicholette, Kate & John, Hester, Linda, Sue, Polly who are already serving most Sundays but they do need help.

Email or call Polly - Pastoral Assistant - Paulinemorgan23@gmail.com or 07724738848.

## LANCAUT PILGRAMAGE 3.00pm on Sunday 9 June

Our annual pilgrimage from St Luke's, Tutshill, to the ruins of St James' church, Lancaut, for Holy Communion.

Walk from home or from local churches and have a picnic lunch beforehand! There is designated parking in Lancaut from where you can walk down to the stunning banks of the River Wye. For those with limited

mobility, Carol Clammer is looking to organise 4x4 transport to the site. Please make your own way there in time for the outside gathering. This event is open to all, including St Briavels and Hewelsfield. Well behaved dogs also welcome!

Serving in the Body of Christ. Being a member of the church means being part of the Body of Christ. What part might God be calling you to play in our life together as church? Perhaps helping with hospitality or cleaning? Or maybe as a member of the Parochial Church Council where we welcome people with gifts in Health & Safety, Administration, Project Management or Finance? At our AGM on 14 April, we will be electing new members to our Parochial Church Council (PCC).

## SCARECROW TRAIL! Quick quick -- ends 13 April

Last chance before 13 April to enter and pick up your trail form from Lifestyle Express in Tutshill £3.00. This is a fantastic community event which supports the Parish. Everyone loves it so don't miss out.



PARISH COFFEE MORNING - Last Monday of the month 10.00-12.00am at St Luke's

## **Sunday 26 May 2024**

The following Parish gatherings will be the only ones on this Sunday:

- **9.30am Morning Worship** with the Archbishop of Canterbury the Most Revd Justin Welby at Dean Close St John's School, Tutshill very exciting visit to Tidenham Parish. If you have replied, you will receive your ticket before the event.
- **3.00pm Final Gathering with Holy Communion at Gloucester Cathedral** Parishes will be joining together for a final celebration at the end of the Diocesan visit of The Archbishop of Canterbury in the cathedral.

## 6.00pm Holy Communion at St Luke's Tutshill

PARISH LUNCH – First Thursday of each month 12.15-1.30pm at Woodcroft Christian Centre.

**Bell Ringing** – Weekly practice at St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham, 7.30–9.00pm on Tuesdays. Contact Cate Phillips (01291 624260) for more information, or just turn up and give it a go!

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

**TUTSHILL BABY & TODDLER GROUP** – Tuesdays 9.15-10.45am at St Luke's, Tutshill. **Term time only**. Emma 07369 226546 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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SedStayandPlay">https://www.facebook.com/SedStayandPlay</a>

## **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 <a href="mailto:jonathan@togetherforyouth.co.uk">jonathan@togetherforyouth.co.uk</a>

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

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

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

## GIVING TO THE CHURCH IN TIDENHAM PARISH

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

## **Giving by Standing Order instead of Cash**

You may know that we have to pay bank charges every time we pay cash into our church bank account at Lloyds, but there are no bank charges when people use a standing orders. Last year across the parish these bank charges amounted to some £200, so it would help enormously, if you could set up a standing order. If you want to do this, please get in touch with our Treasurer Paul Coombs or one of the churchwardens Nicholette Flatman or Brian Duerden. You can also find information on our church website.

Standing Order and Gift Aid Forms are also available at each church or to download from the Website (<a href="https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/giving">https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/giving</a>) St Luke's also has a card reader.

Any queries, please contact the Parish Treasurer - Paul Coombs — <a href="mailto:814yug@gmail.com">814yug@gmail.com</a> - 07831 469951

**Giving by Cheque** - If you want to contribute via a cheque, can you please make it payable to **Tidenham Parochial Church** 

which is the formal name of our church bank account. Banks have recently tightened up on cheque payments, so if you write 'St Luke's Tutshill', or 'Tutshill Church' etc, it is likely that it won't be accepted by our bank, or indeed by your own! We are charged £25 every time a cheque bounces!

## **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: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/114300818701466/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/114300818701466/</a>

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

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