



“where the river flows everything will live”

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY 23rd APRIL Third Sunday of Easter

St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham

9.00am Holy Communion

St Luke's, Tutshill

11.00am Holy Communion with Splash for children

12.00am Annual Church Meeting/AGM with

Bring your own Lunch

Youth – contact Emma

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase

6.00pm Evensong

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

9.30am Family Communion

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield

11.00am Morning Worship

Bible Readings: Acts 2:14a and 36-41 and Luke 24:13-35

The Collect: Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father.

Post Communion Prayer: 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 SERVICES IN OUR PARISH

MONDAYS – not Bank Holiday 1st or 8th May

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

9.15am Children & Families Morning Prayer at Esnadene. 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 – first and third Wednesdays

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

YOUTH GROUP – CONTACT EMMA

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 – not Bank Holiday 1st and 8th May

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 at home. Contact wendy.moppett@btinternet.com for details

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.

Annual Revision of Church Electoral Roll, Tidenham Parish has been completed.

If you would like a copy of the report and / or the list of names on the revised church electoral roll as at 02 April 2023, please contact Iain Gardiner on 01291 624868 or email iain706gardiner@btinternet.com

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING: 12:00 noon Sunday 23rd April at Tutshill Church i.e. after Morning Service, followed by a Bring Your Own Lunch – refreshments provided.

The formal notice calling the meeting along with the draft minutes of last year's Annual church meetings have been posted on our church notice boards.

The following 4 x pdf documents are available electronically for parishioners: -

- 'Agenda and 1-page finance review of 2022' [2 pages]
- 'Agenda plus' – i.e. the agenda plus the usual information on finance, deanery synod, fabric report and PCC proceedings [6 pages]
- 'Trustees' report and signed annual accounts for 2022' [18 pages]
- 'Annual report for 2022' [50 pages]

If you want to receive a copy of any of these documents please contact the administration assistant or Iain Gardiner PCC Secretary. If anything is unclear or you need further information or have any questions, please do let us know so that the answer to be given at the annual meeting.

In order to save paper and costs we are printing out only the '**Agenda and 1-page finance review of 2022**' for those attending the annual church meeting. If you really do want a hard copy of any of these documents, please contact Iain Gardiner PCC Secretary.

This year there are vacancies for two churchwardens, three members of Forest South Deanery Synod and seven members of the PCC. Existing PCC members Robin Riordan and Iain Gardiner have advised that they are willing to serve another 3-year term. Nomination forms for churchwardens, Deanery Synod and PCC members are available at the back of our churches and from Iain Gardiner: -

- the person who is nominated should send Iain Gardiner the nomination form showing who has nominated him / her and confirming that they comply with the conditions on the form and are willing to stand *and*
- the proposer and seconder should email Iain Gardiner to confirm that they are indeed proposing and seconding the named individual.

NOTE If someone has no access to the internet, they should complete a nomination form and give it to **Iain Gardiner, Tidenham PCC Secretary 01291 624868**

Tidenham Parish Retreat – Thursday 13th July and Friday 14th July, culminating in the Quiet Day on Saturday 15th July. Held at Ty Mawr Convent Trellech, this is a chance to spend time away in the peace and beauty of Michaelgarth and the surrounding Welsh countryside. For more details and to book, please contact Leonie Jones 07742 977214 or Fiona Gardiner on fiona.m.gardiner@btinternet.com

The 2023 Scarecrow Trail has been a great success with over 2000 people (yes! 2000) walking the trail to identify the Scarecrows. Money raised will go to Breathe Youth Mentoring, FOD Dementia Action Alliance and Tidenham Parish Churches (building maintenance). Thank you so much to all who helped make this happen. However, we would love to give out two first prizes, one for the most popular scarecrow and one for the most correct answers. If anyone can donate a prize, please contact Emma.

Drug Proof your Kids – this course starts Thursday 11th May 9.15-11.15am at Sedbury Village Hall. Run by Mike and Mandy Scott, it looks at 'how do we speak to our kids about drugs? What age is appropriate for discussions? What drugs are they taking nowadays and how does it all work? This is an excellent opportunity to learn and discuss (with crèche provision). Contact Mike & Mandy for more info on Scottiusmikus@gmail.com or 07986 627066.

CORONATION CONCERT – Wednesday 3rd May 7.30pm at St Luke's Tutshill by Drybrook & District Ladies' Choir with Mathern Men's Choir. All proceeds from refreshments, raffle and retiring collection to support Parish Youth Group and Noah's Retreat, raising funds for a retreat for families going through terminal medical care.

We have been asked to offer some children's provision at a Coronation field party on Monday 8th May in Sedbury, 2.00-5.00pm. If anyone can help for an hour to support Emma, please do contact her.

Tutshill CofE Primary School – the school is hoping to run an 'Experience Pentecost' event at St. Luke's after Easter. Please can we have some volunteers to help; contact Emma emmad.cyfm@gmail.com

Bell Ringing – Weekly practice at St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham, 7.30–9.00pm on Tuesdays. Have fun learning a new skill. All welcome to come and try – beginners, lapsed ringers, all ages, shapes and sizes! Contact Cate Phillips (01291 624260) for more information, or just turn up.

HELP! – 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 Coffee Morning – Come along to St Luke’s 10.00-12.00am for our next get-together on the last Monday of the month for a chat and a coffee. Please contact Polly Morgan, Pastoral Assistant, for more info pollyanne60@icloud.com or Nicki nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk

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 - 4th May. 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 / loreespinosaa@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

OUR FOREST - Sunday 30th April 1.00pm-5.00pm at AccXel in Cinderford (Agenda available). Book tickets via Eventbrite using this link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/our-forest-using-our-forest-tickets-572896447697> Spaces are limited so if you book a ticket and then can’t attend, please let us know.

This event is an opportunity to explore how we can best look after our Forest and share its use amongst all the different user groups and types of activities. We will be examining the effects of increasing numbers of people in our Forest and how we might like to change behaviour relating to litter/fly tipping, fires/BBQs, the dog code and unauthorised bike trails. This will involve gathering a wide range of stakeholders, volunteers, user groups, partner organisations, parish and district councillors and others who care about our Forest.

‘Our Forest’ is the new organisation set up as the sequel for Foresters’ Forest, looking after our natural, built and cultural heritage.

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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