



"where the river flows everything will live"

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 28 JANUARY

THE FEAST OF CANDLEMAS

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

St Luke's, Tutshill
11.00am Christingle Family Service

4.00pm Candlemas Evensong – relocated from Chase

6.30pm Youth @ Bridge Church

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase

NO SERVICE THIS SUNDAY

Service relocated to St Luke's Tutshill (road closure)

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels
9.30am Family Communion

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield
11.00am Family Worship

Bible Readings: Malachi 3:1-5 & Luke 2:22-40

Collect for Candlemas: Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion: Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

This Sunday we will be celebrating Jesus, the Light of the World, with a Christingle service at St Luke's.

There will also be an opportunity to hear about the work of the Children's Society. PS. Donations would be much appreciated and to save you searching for pennies, the card reader is set to receive donations, if you like to do so.

MID-WEEK SERVICES 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 – not until February

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

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 to find out more.

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: wendy.moppett@btinternet.com 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, but contact Non nonvandenbraak@gmail.com for information

PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

Next Sunday 4th February, Mia from Teens in Crisis will be talking about the amazing work that they are doing locally. Please come and listen and spread the word about this charity's amazing work. You never know, you might end up guiding a young person (child, grandchild, etc) who is struggling and needs support from one of these charities. Thanks everyone - Emma.

Is there anyone out there who's handy at fixing things? The table tennis table at St Luke's is broken. It seems a shame to scrap it, when someone might be able to give it a new lease of life. If you feel you could help, please email Emma on emmad.cyfm@gmail.com

Tidenham Parish Quiet Day will be held at TyMawr Convent on 2nd March 10am-4pm. The Speaker is Rev Anna Griffiths and her theme is: What does it mean to love God? For details and booking, please contact Cate Phillips 01291 624260. Or Leonie Jones 07742977214.

TIDENHAM PARISH RETREAT

On 18-20th October, we are planning a Parish retreat to Lox Lane Christian Centre in Shaftesbury. There will be a range of discussions and fun to reflect spiritually and delve deeply into our faith, led by Vicar David. There are 22 en suite rooms, accommodating 45 guests, but this does involve some twins/doubles. The cost is £220 per person for the two nights, fully catered; couples and families welcome.

At the moment, we need to gauge feasibility, please email Annabelle at tidenhamadmin@btinternet.com with all names (and ages of children, if any), stating whether an accessible room is required and, if you are travelling solo, whether you are willing to share or wish to pay a single room supplement. Places will be on a first come, first served basis. **Prices may be subject to change and will be confirmed in detail, once numbers have been assessed. We do need this initial information by 31st January latest please.**

The annual SCARECROW TRAIL is fast approaching!!! Did you know that this is one of Tidenham Parish Churches' main fundraisers? And that the Scarecrow Trail is put together by volunteers! It's a lot of work but hugely rewarding. If you feel that you can help, please contact Emma 07369 226546 / emmad.cyfm@gmail.com

Confirmation – would you like to be confirmed / baptised? Or would you just like to know more about the core teachings of the Christian faith? Please speak to Revd David or one of the team – come and explore Life & Faith.

ukraine-or-bust.org

In February, Mike & Mandy Scott will be driving a van full of aid for Ukraine all the way to Chelm near the Ukraine border. Chepstow to Chelm has a bit of a ring to it! The website is above but they will be doing a presentation at St Luke's all about it at some time soon. The website has a lot of information and an Amazon list of desired items, if people want to use it!



PARISH COFFEE MORNING

Last Monday of the month 10.00-12.00am at St Luke's Tutshill.

Parish Lunch – first Thursday of the month 12.15-1.30pm at Woodcroft Christian Centre.

PCC Minutes for 2023 – If you would like an electronic copy of the signed PCC minutes for 2023, please email the PCC Secretary, Iain Gardiner iain706gardiner@btinternet.com.

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 <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 – 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 1.30-5.00pm

GIVING TO THE CHURCH IN TIDENHAM PARISH

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!

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 (<https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/giving>) St Luke's also has a card reader.

Any queries, please contact the Parish Treasurer - Paul Coombs – 814yug@gmail.com - 07831 469951

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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