



"where the river flows everything will live"

GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP

SUNDAY 5 MAY

Sixth Sunday of Easter

St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham

9.00am Holy Communion

St Luke's, Tutshill

11.00am Confirmation & Holy Communion with Bishop Rachel (with part Splash Children's Provision)
Come and support those being confirmed and enjoy light refreshments afterwards.

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase

6.00pm Evensong

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

9.30am Family Communion

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield

11.00am Family Communion

Bible Readings: Acts 10:44-end & John 15:9-17

Collect: God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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: God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him 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

THURSDAY

6.00am ASCENSION DAY – 9 May at St Luke's, Tutshill, followed by breakfast in the church. If you're planning to stay for breakfast, please sign up via the sign-up sheets at the rear of each church or let Annabelle know.

Collect: Grant, we pray, almighty God, that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens, so we in heart and mind may also ascend and with him continually dwell; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion: God our Father, you have raised our humanity in Christ and have fed us with the bread of heaven: mercifully grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings, we may set our hearts in the heavenly places; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 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

Leavers - Iain Gardiner, our outgoing PCC Secretary, and Fiona Gardiner, our Reader, have left their positions, but you can join Fiona this Sunday at her last gathering. Don't worry, they are not, however, leaving the Parish, so we will still have the pleasure of their company at services and gatherings! We are all so grateful for everything they have done and contributed to parish life and we hold them in our hearts and prayers.

Saturday 29 June – you are invited to an 'open house' party for David, Kathy and Roseanna at St Luke's church, Tutshill, from 3.00-7.30p. Please come to say 'goodbye', share memories and enjoy cake and bubbles!

Sunday 7 July – David's last official day in the Parish – please come and celebrate Holy Communion with him in all three parish churches.

Bring & Share Lunch – after 11.00am Morning Service on 19 May at St Luke's Tutshill to celebrate Revd Nicki's licencing as Associate Priest. Again, sign-up forms in all churches or email Annabelle.

Thank you – a huge 'thank you' to those who made, hosted and entered the Scarecrow Trail this year. 408 trail maps were sold which makes nearly 2000 people walking the trail. Absolutely fantastic! Special thanks to Melanie, Non, Carol, Susan and Robin – it just wouldn't happen without them.

LANCAUT PILGRIMAGE 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?

First Aid course – if any of our churchwardens, deputies or sidespersons would like First Aid training, please contact Annabelle at tidenhamadmin@btinternet.com by 9 May.



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 <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: rjulus@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

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

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: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/114300818701466/>

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

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