

PARISH NEWS FOR TIDENHAM (and St Briavels with Hewelsfield and Brockweir)

NEWS

A Message from Revd Sharon Gleed



In preparation for my arrival, I'd love to hear your responses to these questions:

1. What does church mean to you?
2. What do you value most about it?
3. What are we good at?

I recognise people have different responses to transition and change from excitement to apprehension and fear and a range of responses in between. The approach I'd like to share is a 'journey together' model.

Listen, Let's try, Let's Go!

Listen together

- Come with your stories
- Come with your ideas

Let's try together

- Come with your gifts - that's **you!**
- Come with a willingness to 'give things a go'

Let's go together

- Let's go on a journey and see where God leads us.

With every blessing to you and your communities as we celebrate our Lord's Resurrection at Easter.

Sharon

Reverend Sharon Gleed

Note: A simple survey form will be placed in our churches over the coming weeks and also circulated electronically in next week's Parish News.

Family Holy Communion Service in Tidenham Parish, this Sunday, April 12th at 10.30am in St Luke's Church Tutshill.

Please note that in Tidenham Parish this Sunday, April 12th, we are holding a joint Family Holy Communion Service in St Luke's Church at 10.30am. This is a lovely opportunity for all our congregations to worship together and for our hard-working clergy to enjoy a post-Easter break. There will be no services at St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham or St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase.

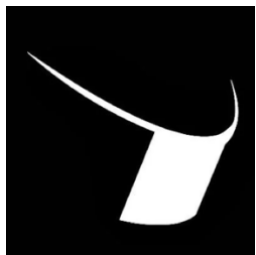
All are welcome!

Easter Decorations

Thank you to all the volunteers who decorated our churches for Easter. What a glorious display of flowers and foliage to celebrate the Resurrection!



Licensing Service for Revd Sharon Gleed



The licensing service for the Revd Sharon Gleed will take place at 3.00pm on Sunday May 3rd, at St Mary and St Peter, Tidenham. Afternoon tea and refreshments will follow.

All are welcome, but **it will help with planning if you can let us know if you are coming, and any dietary requirements. There are sheets to fill in at the back of our churches, but if you have not done this yet and prefer to do so electronically, follow this link to fill out a form.** <https://forms.gle/8PsBiii3fQBDSWXK7>

Please note that a collection will be taken **in cash** during the service for The Bishop of Gloucester's Discretionary Fund. The collection will support the improvement of basic accommodation in Lake Tanganyika Theological College, which trains men and women for ordination in the Diocese. It will also help provide a bursary to a student from one of our partner dioceses, Dornakal in India, to pursue higher education studies.

There will be alternative on-line donation details also available on the day.

Parish Lunch

The next Parish Lunch will be held at the Christian Centre in Woodcroft on Thursday 16th April. Come along for some good food and company.

Contact George and Beryl for further information. georgechealey@gmail.com
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EVENTS

Introducing Theology

Introducing Theology at St Luke 19.30 - 21.00.



April 23rd - Who is Jesus?

May 21st - Who is the Holy Spirit?

June 18th - God as Trinity

Everybody welcome - no previous experience necessary!!

For more information, contact Tudor Griffiths: tudor.griffiths1@gmail.com

The Mighty Curious: Youth Retreat, The Christian Adventure Centre, Viney Hill

The Forest South Deanery churches are delighted to offer a Retreat Day for young people aged 13-17 (school years Y8-Y12) on **Saturday 11th April 2026, 10am-4pm.**

'The Mighty Curious' will be a space where you can join with other local young people for an adventurous day of activity, rest and creative workshops – all mixed with time to pause and ... be curious! It's a place to ask questions, to wonder aloud, to play and to relax. There will be music, arts, nature connection and reflection/prayer spaces as well as physical and mental challenge.

Can you summit the High Ropes Course? Will you brave the Leap of Faith rope jump? Could there be a link between lighting a campfire and a life of faith? Bring your own lunch.

Book your place (limited spaces) for £5 – all activities included. For queries, please contact info_curious@icloud.com Booking link: <https://tickets.myknowchurch.co.uk/gb/OTI4MC0y/t>

Forest Deanery Churches of Gloucester Diocese email: info_curious@icloud.com

Mighty Curious

Youth Retreat Day

Join with other local young people aged 13-17 (Y8-Y12) for an adventurous day of activity, rest and creative workshops.

Tickets £5 - all activities included.

Booking and more info: info_curious@icloud.com

Bring your own lunch.

Adventure
Nature
Arts
Reflection & Prayer Space
Challenge
Ask Questions
Wonder aloud

Saturday 11th April 2026
10am- 4pm
The Christian Adventure Centre Viney Hill

Annual Church Meeting/Annual Revision of our Church Electoral Roll

This year's Annual Church Meeting (APCM/AGM) will be held in St Luke's Church Tutshill at 12.15pm on Sunday 17th May i.e. *after* morning worship, which starts as usual at 11:00am. The Trustees' Report and Annual Accounts for 2025 have been signed off by the PCC and our Independent Examiner. If you wish to receive an electronic pdf copy can you please email Iain Gardner, our PCC Secretary and Church Electoral Roll Officer: iain706gardiner@btinternet.com. The document will be presented to the APCM on 17th May, but if you have any questions, please let Iain know: 07738 095839.

In advance of the Annual Church Meeting, the existing Church Electoral Roll, which has been posted on all Church notice boards, will be revised by the PCC between Sunday 12th April and Sunday 26th April. If your name is already on the Roll, you don't need to do anything! If your name is not on the Church Electoral Roll and you wish to register, application forms are available at the back of each church, or you can email Iain for a MS Word/pdf application form. These should be completed and returned to him either electronically or via hard copy no later than Sunday 26th April.

If you have changed your address can you please let Iain know. If you have changed your contact details (phone or email address) and you wish to be kept informed of church news and events please do also let him know.

The formal legal notice of the proposed annual review of the Roll, the 1-page review of our Church Electoral Roll during 2025 and Tidenham Parish's GDPR privacy notice dated January 2026, have also been posted on the church notice boards.

GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP

Sunday 12th April 2026

(The Second Sunday of Easter)

St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
No service

St Luke, Tutshill
10.30am Family Communion

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase
No service

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels
9.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield
11.00am Morning Worship

Wednesday 15th April 2026

St Luke, Tutshill
12.00noon Healing Communion

Bible Readings

Acts 5: 27-32, John 20: 19-31

12th April 2026

Prayers

Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Post Communion

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Offertory Collect

Creator God, you made human beings stewards of your good creation, and so we offer ourselves in your service. May our work and hospitality, our use of money and our minds all testify to your goodness so that our lives may speak of your love and power to save. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who gave his life that we might live. Amen.

If you would like to include news or events, email tidenhamparish@gmail.com

For more information, please visit www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk or www.stbandhchurches.org.uk

