

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

NEWS

Tidenham Services in Holy Week and on Easter Day



'Waiting'

*Longing for light, we wait in darkness
 Longing for truth, we turn to You
 Make us Your own, Your holy people
 Light for the world to see*

Wednesday 1st	'Journeying from Grief to Hope'	6.00pm	St Michael & All Angels Chase
Maundy Thursday	Holy Communion	7.30pm	St Luke Tutshill
Good Friday	Messy Church	10.00am	St Luke Tutshill
	The Last Hour	2.00pm	St Luke Tutshill
Easter Day	Holy Communion	9.00am	St Mary & St Peter Tidenham
	Family Holy Communion	11.00am	St Luke Tutshill
	Holy Communion (BCP)	6.00pm	St Michael & All Angels Chase

St Briavels Services in Holy Week and on Easter Day

Maundy Thursday	Reflective Service	7.00pm	St Mary the Virgin
Good Friday	Open Air Service	2.00pm	The Tump
Easter Day	Holy Communion (BCP)	8.30am	St Mary the Virgin
	Holy Communion	9.30am	St Mary the Virgin

Hewelsfield Services in Holy Week and on Easter Day

Good Friday	A Reflection on the Passion and Crucifixion of Jesus Christ	2.00pm	St Mary Magdelene
Easter Day	Holy Communion	11.00am	St Mary Magdelene

All are welcome!

Videos for Holy Week and Easter



If you are unable to attend worship, a series of videos may be of help to you. St George's College, Jerusalem presents an eight-part video series, Songs of Suffering/Songs of Hope on the St George's YouTube channel, @richardsewell4849. Acknowledging the present moment as one of conflict, fear, and uncertainty, Dean Richard Sewell and Course Director Rodney Aist explore stories and places of Lent and Easter as ultimate expressions of the good news of God to strengthen us in the challenges of the present context. The first videos are linked below.

Lent 1: The Hope of the Last Supper (The Cenacle)

Lent 2: The Serenity of Gethsemane (The Garden of Gethsemane)

Lent 3: The Fear of the Trial of Jesus (St Peter in Gallicantu)

Lent 4: The Suffering of the Cross (Spaces within the Holy Sepulchre)

The following videos will be released in the coming weeks:

Easter 1: The Suffering of Easter Morning (Spaces within the Holy Sepulchre)

Easter 2: The Fear of the Upper Room (St Mark's Syrian Orthodox)

Easter 3: The Serenity of the Sea of Galilee (Sea of Galilee)

Easter 4: The Hope of Emmaus (Abu Ghosh)

Help Decorate St Luke's Church for Easter Sunday

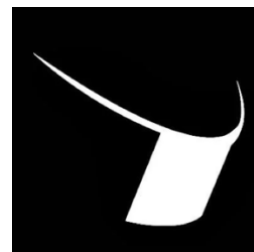


St Luke's church will be decorated on Saturday 4th April with flowers & greenery from the garden or bought flowers (locally grown if possible). We will be using the decorative jars that will be available in the servery area, plus any of the church vases. All help would be gratefully received. Polly will be on hand in church from 10.00am that morning.

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>



A Testimony from Polly, Pastoral Assistant, this Eastertide

As we said a farewell to Revd. David Treharne, we welcome Reverend Sharon Gleed to guide us in continued growth & service and look forward to her licensing service.

I will be forever grateful to David Treharne for recognizing my potential and encouraging me to become a Pastoral Assistant. In 2015, I participated in a Diocesan Course in Coleford that lasted four and a half months, under the guidance of Reverend Pauline Godfrey. This experience marked the beginning of my journey, and it was then that I dedicated myself to serving God and His people within the Parish of Tidenham and the broader community. In 2016, I was honored to be licensed by Bishop Rachael Treweek.

With support and encouragement from many other Christians in this Parish and beyond It deepened my commitment by attending another course within the Gloucester Diocese, which enabled me to become a Service Leader. Their mentorship has been pivotal throughout my journey.

I have learned to discern and carefully consider the directions we take in our pursuit of truth. Like many Christians, I have stumbled at times, but I believe that it is part of our faith journey to occasionally falter and learn from those moments. Discernment touches every aspect of the Christian experience, and God's Word offers the wisdom we need for every challenge we encounter. As Peter wrote, God "has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence" (2 Peter 1:3).

Easter blessings to all, *Polly +*

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.myiknowchurch.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:
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 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 5th April 2026

(Easter Sunday)

St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
9.00am Holy Communion

St Luke, Tutshill
11.00am Family Communion

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase
6.00pm Holy Communion (BCP)

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels
8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield
11.00am Holy Communion

Wednesday 8th April 2026

St Luke, Tutshill
12.00noon Healing Communion

Bible Readings

Acts 10: 34-43, John 20: 1-18

Prayers

Collect

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

Post Communion

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

