



"where the river flows everything will live"

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

NEWS

Save the Date

The Licensing Service for Revd Sharon Gleed will take place on Sunday 3rd May 2026, 3.00 pm, at Tidenham Church. Further details and parking arrangements will follow in due course. All will be welcome and an idea of numbers for seating and catering will be requested in the near future.



Scarecrow Trail



The annual Scarecrow Trail will take place in Tutshill again this year from Saturday 28th March until Sunday 19th April. If you would like to make a scarecrow, we have plenty of gardens enroute it could go into. The theme is animal characters from films. Please let us know by 7th March which one you are making via email. Thank you!
tutshillscarecrow@yahoo.com.

Lent

Ash Wednesday, marks the start of Lent and takes its name from the imposition of ashes on the foreheads of worshippers. This practice marks the beginning of Lent, a period of abstinence, prayer and penance leading up to Easter.

The Ashing acts as an outward sign of internal repentance and a public acknowledgement of one's need for God's mercy. This is often accompanied by the words, *"Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return"*, (Genesis 3:19) and serves to remind us of our earthly mortality.



The ashes are traditionally created by burning the palm branches (or palm crosses) blessed during the previous year's Palm Sunday celebration.

Come and join the Holy Communion with Ashing Service at 7.30pm, at St Luke, (Ash) Wednesday 18th February, 7.30pm.

EVENTS

Get Ready for Lent

The first event in our Lent Course ("Offering") this year will take place on Monday February 23rd, at St Luke's, Tutshill between 7.30pm and 9.00pm. Refreshments will be available from 7.15pm.



The subject will be 'Offering Work'. This promises to be an exciting and engaging Lent course, and we look forward to seeing you.

Tidenham Parish Coffee Morning

The next Tidenham Parish coffee morning will take place in St Luke's Church, Tutshill, from 10.00am - 12.00 noon on Monday 23rd February. Coffee, tea and cake will be served with a side helping of a chat with your friends. All are welcome!

The theme will be "Belated Celebrations for St Valentine's Day". Feel free to bring along your favourite poems (romantic or funny).

GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP

Wednesday 18th February 2026

(Ash Wednesday)

St Luke, Tutshill
7.30pm Holy Communion with Ashing

Sunday 22nd February 2026

(The First Sunday of Lent)

St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
9.00am Holy Communion

St Luke, Tutshill
11.00am Holy Communion

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase
4.00pm Evensong

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels
9:30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield
11.00am Morning Worship

Bible Readings

Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11

Prayers

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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 forever. Amen.

Post Communion

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; 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.

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