



"where the river flows everything will live"

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

NEWS

Service of Thanksgiving and Blessing for Refurbishment works at St Mary and St Peter, Tidenham and The Tony James Memorial Building



The Service of Thanksgiving and Blessing at St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham on Sunday was very well attended, including many of the volunteers and contractors who worked so hard to achieve the Tidenham Friends' vision of a sympathetically re-ordered and repaired church. It was led by Bishop Anthony, retired former Bishop of Hereford, who performed the blessings and dedication of the reordering and refurbishment of Tidenham Parish Church.

Worship celebrated all of the achievements and people involved and then Bishop Anthony blessed the North Aisle reordering with its associated new heating, a renewed and updated sound system, the new roof in the tower and associated repair work, the new bell ropes and the renovated of the building just outside the Lych Gate, the Tony James Memorial Building housing the new Parish Office.

Baptism

Josie and Ruby Woolcock were baptised by full immersion last Sunday at St Luke's Church, Tutshill. Over 100 people of all ages attended. We are seeing more full immersion baptisms these days so have invested in a new baptism pool. We don't put pictures of our young people in our media, so here is a picture of a pool elf filling it up on Saturday instead.



Ordination of Lorna Theophilus as a Deacon



Lorna Theophilus, who has undertaken her journey as an Ordinand with us, will be ordained as a Deacon on Sunday 28th June at 10.15am in Gloucester Cathedral. Feel free to go along to support Lorna at this wonderful event.

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase

Worship in Chase Church this coming Sunday has been cancelled due to the very large swarm of bees that are nesting in the roof void. The bees can easily enter the church and present a health hazard to anyone inside. We are sad to do this, but it should only be temporary as a contractor is lined up to relocate them. There are also bats present in the roof, so permission is required to move forward with the work and this has been applied for. Hopefully it will not take too long.

The full refurbishment of the roof is also being planned, to ensure that Chase is maintained to a standard that will last for many years to come and make it a comfortable place of worship. Thank you to the volunteers who are working on both of these activities.

Flowers in St Luke's Church

Luke 12:27 (NIV) says: *"Consider how the wildflowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these."*



Could You Help with Church Flowers in St Luke's Church, Tutshill?

We are looking for a few more volunteers to join our flower rota. The commitment is spread out with the other volunteers and no professional experience is needed, only enthusiasm and a willingness to help.

Flowers play an important part in making our church a welcoming and uplifting place for worship. If you enjoy flowers, creativity, or would simply like to contribute to church life in a practical way, please consider joining the team.

For more information, please contact Polly Morgan Pastoral Assistant, Tidenham Parish, via email Pollyanne60@icloud.com or Mobile: 07724 738848.

Licensing of Deanery Priests

The licensing of Ros and Jilly, two of the Forest Deanery clergy, will take place on the evening of Thursday 2nd July as part of the Deanery Synod meeting at St James Church Centre, in Bream. If you would like to attend, arrive at 7.15pm for a 7.30 pm start.

EVENTS

Introducing Theology

The final session of Tudor's Introducing Theology series will take place on June 18th, 19.30 - 21.00 at St Luke, and covers "God as Trinity".

Refreshments will be available from 19.15. Everybody welcome - no previous experience necessary!!

For more information, contact Tudor Griffiths:

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SUNDAY, JULY 5th AT 6.00PM

St MICHAELS and ALL ANGELS,
TIDENHAM CHASE

“SUMMER PRAISE!”

**COME AND SHARE WITH OUR
SINGERS SUMMER PRAISE HYMNS**



GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP

Sunday 21st June 2026

(Third Sunday after Trinity)

St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
9.00am Holy Communion

St Luke, Tutshill
11.00am Morning Worship

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase
6.00pm **No service this week**

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

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield
11.00am Morning Worship

Wednesday 24th June 2026

St Luke, Tutshill
12.00noon Healing Communion

Bible Readings

Romans 6:1b-11, Matthew 12:24-39

Prayers

Collect

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. 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



Tidenham Parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. All post holders and volunteers are expected to share this commitment. All appointments are subject to acceptable pre-appointment checks, including a satisfactory DBS Check where applicable.

Promoting a Safer Church