



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

NEWS

If you would like to include news articles or events, send them to tidenhamparish@gmail.com

Vacancy News

Good news! A candidate for our vacancy has been shortlisted and will attend an interview on November 18th. An update will be announced after that. Please pray for success.

No Babies and Toddlers or Pilates at St Luke on Tuesday 18th November

Due to the above interview, there will be no Babies and Toddlers or Pilates at St Luke on Tuesday 18th November. They will continue as normal the following week.

Tidenham Lychgate



New natural stone steps and metal railings have been installed at the Tidenham Parish Church Lychgate. The wider tread makes them much easier to climb and descend.

Work is ongoing to complete the ramp access adjacent to the new parish meeting rooms and facilities in the old barn near to the steps.

Community Act of Remembrance



A Community Act of Remembrance took place on Sunday 9th November with a procession from the Tidenham Memorial Hall leading to a service at St Luke, commemorating the 80th Anniversary of VE and VJ Day.

The service was led by Revd Miri Keen and Revd Nicki Bullivant, with music by the St Luke Music Group and the Tidenham Parish Choir. It was attended by over 150 people of all ages from our parish, including serving and ex-military personnel, and community organisations. Thank you to all who organised, contributed and participated.

"At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."

Who am I?

My name is Nicki, and my life has been closely woven into the fabric of this parish for as long as I can remember. My grandparents were married in Tidenham Church, a place that holds deep personal meaning for me, as it is also where I was baptised. Having lived in the parish for most of my life, my connection to this parish runs deep, and I feel privileged to serve in a place that has shaped not only my family's history but also my own spiritual journey.



Before entering ordained ministry, I worked for many years as a nurse, a profession that taught me the importance of compassion, presence, and understanding in times of need. Those experiences now enrich my ministry as a Wellbeing Chaplain and Associate Priest within the parish, a role which is part self-funded with the balance raised through donations and grants.

In this role, I work alongside the manager at Sedbury Space, a welcoming community centre that offers support and connection to local residents. I also collaborate with a local GP surgery, the Police and Two Rivers Housing, helping to build bridges between pastoral care and practical community wellbeing. My work includes regular visits to Castleford Care Home, offering companionship and spiritual support to residents and leading a weekly Bible study and Chaplaincy Chat Room at Sedbury Space, where people can explore faith and share in fellowship together.

As part of the parish's wellbeing project, I work closely with our Children, Youth and Families Minister, Aimee Lowe, helping nurture our future congregants. I am also involved with the weekly Pilates group held at St Luke's, which supports both physical and emotional health in our community. In addition, I help to host the monthly parish coffee morning and attend the monthly parish lunch, as well as the monthly community lunch at Sedbury Space. These gatherings bring people together to share conversation, friendship and laughter, strengthening the bonds that make our parish such a special place to live and worship.

Outside of my ministry, I love spending time with my husband Nick, walking and enjoying peaceful days at Ty Mawr Convent, where I find space for reflection and renewal.

EVENTS

5 Churches' Fellowship

Moses was described as 'God's Friend'. What does it mean to us to enjoy friendship with God through Jesus? And how might our friendships be part of God's plan for our lives and the lives of our friends?

Monday 24th November, St Luke's Church, Tutshill, 7.30pm - 9pm, with hot drinks available from 7.20pm.

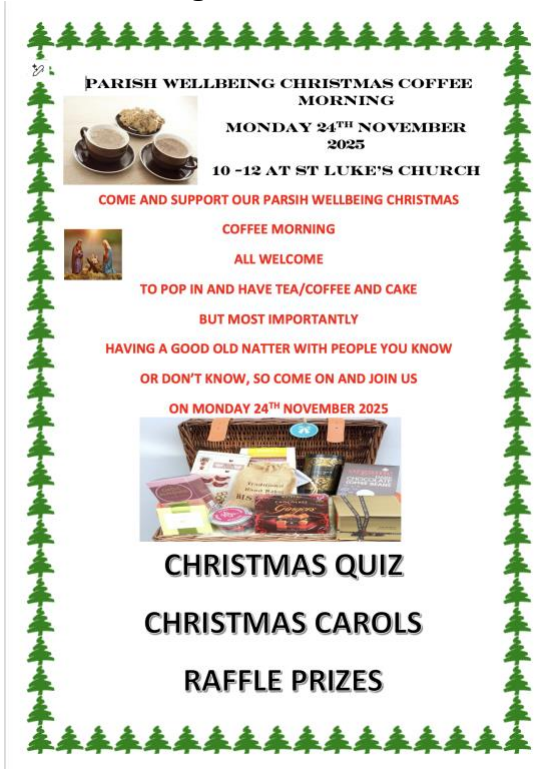
Everyone welcome to come along for music, conversation, teaching and prayer.

Contact for Miri more information. miri.parkhill@gmail.com

Parish Lunch

The November Parish Lunch will take place at the Christian Centre, Woodcroft, 13th November. Contact George and Beryl Healey georgechealey@gmail.com

Parish Wellbeing Christmas Coffee Morning



PARISH WELLBEING CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING
MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2025
10 - 12 AT ST LUKE'S CHURCH

COME AND SUPPORT OUR PARISH WELLBEING CHRISTMAS

COFFEE MORNING
ALL WELCOME
TO POP IN AND HAVE TEA/COFFEE AND CAKE
BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY
HAVING A GOOD OLD NATTER WITH PEOPLE YOU KNOW
OR DON'T KNOW, SO COME ON AND JOIN US
ON MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2025

CHRISTMAS QUIZ
CHRISTMAS CAROLS
RAFFLE PRIZES

Christmas Crackers



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THEATRE are appropriately excited to present

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS
5 Gold Rings!

2016, 2017, 2018, 2024, 2025

7.30pm

FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER 2025
ST. MARY AND ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TIDENHAM

raising funds for St. Mary and St. Peter's Church, Tidenham

Refreshments available

Tickets £10.00

07718 906332 (Fiona)
07702 487582 (Cathy)
01291 627966 (Sarah-Jane)

Special Worship Events



**Sunday, November 30th,
at 3.00pm**

at
**St MICHAELS and ALL
ANGELS,
TIDENHAM CHASE**

**ADVENT CAROL
SERVICE**

with a Choir from the Parish

All will be very welcome!

Community Events



GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP

Sunday 16th November 2025

(Second Sunday Before Advent)

St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
9.00am Holy Communion

St Luke, Tutshill
11.00am Holy Communion

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase
4.00pm Compline

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

St Mary Magdalene Hewelsfield
11.00am Morning Worship

Bible Readings

2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13, Luke 21: 5-19

Prayers

Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

A Prayer During the Vacancy for our Vicar

Heavenly Father, during this vacancy, guard and grow the Parishes of Tidenham, St Briavels and Hewelsfield, as we serve you together in this period without a Priest in Charge.

Lord Jesus, we know you have plans for us and that these plans are good. We ask you now that You will help us to share responsibility, grow in faith, love one another, care for those in need, reach out to others, and welcome newcomers.

Holy Spirit, please guide those who are seeking the right person for us, and those who are seeking the right place for their ministry, that together we may discover Your way for the future and see Your Kingdom grow. All this we ask in the strength of the Holy Trinity. Amen.

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

For the latest video of the weekly sermon at St Luke, please visit www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w

If you would like to join and view our Facebook Group, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/groups/114300818701466/>

Love should not hurt

Is someone tracking you on your phone?

Are you being put down all the time?

Is someone trying to stop you seeing your friends and family?

Is someone making you think you're going mad?

Are you being told what to wear and how to act?

Are you being made to do sexual acts that you don't want to?

Is someone stopping you from working, or having access to money?

Are you afraid?

Domestic abuse isn't just physical violence. There are lots of ways that abusers control the people they're meant to love and it might not happen all the time.

If this is happening to you, or you're worried about someone, then the National Domestic Abuse helpline is a free, confidential service that can help.
0808 2000 247

Your local services are:
Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO)
tidenhamsafeguarding@gmail.com
07394 693940

Restored is a Christian Charity working to support survivors of domestic abuse. Find out more at restored-uk.org/survivor

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CHANGING THE STORY

See the Parish website for more details on safeguarding
<https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/info/safeguarding/>



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