

Parish News for Tidenham, St Briavels, and Hewelsfield and Brockweir

NEWS

RENEW Weekend



St James Church, Bream has hosted a special RENEW weekend every October for the last few years, and will be again this year. This has become an essential annual event for all who want to deepen their faith through an extended time of worship, talks and sharing conversation and food together. They would love you to join them.

The weekend starts on Friday 16th October in the evening with the first session of worship and teaching. There will be two more sessions on the Saturday, which will also include lunch, workshops and a separate hour of worship in the evening. The weekend concludes with a Sunday morning service with lunch after.

The theme this year is 'Courageous' and they are blessed to welcome Paul Langham, Chair of New Wine, as their speaker. Paul retired after almost 40 years of local church leadership in 2025, and was recently appointed Chair of the New Wine Board. He's married to Jackie, they have four grown-up children, and are now enjoying life as grandparents. He's the author of *Understanding Revelation* and *Who?*, a fresh translation of the New Testament published by *Bible Society*. Outside of ministry, Paul enjoys walking, tennis, photography and continues to hold onto his long-standing dream of one day seeing Arsenal win the Champions League.

Stu and Nat Dix will be the worship leaders. They may be familiar to you as they have already led many wonderful times of worship at St James, including their new monthly LIFT hour of worship, and at previous RENEW events.

This event is free but they would be grateful for donations towards the running costs if you are able. More details to follow, but if you'd like to book your space early then please email Claire admin@breamchurch.org.uk.

Update from Sedbury Space

We are looking for volunteers again for various roles. These roles are all vital to us providing the services that we do. Lynn Morgan who has been our regular cleaner since we began, has decided not to continue after his many years of loyal service, for which we are extremely grateful. We are looking for someone to fill this role in cleaning our 'space' to enable us to fulfil our full timetable of events. If you are interested, please contact Samantha our Centre manager on 07522 178639 to get more information.



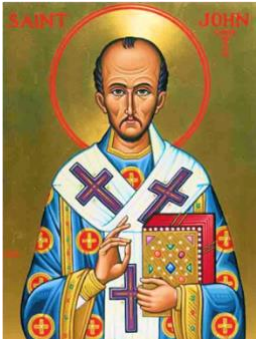
We will be hosting our Community Christmas lunch again subject to having enough volunteers, so if this is something you would be able to give some time to, we would love to hear from you. We do have to plan ahead!

At our AGM our Chairperson, Lee Durbin resigned after 5 years' service, again, our thanks to Lee for his work for Sedbury Space over the last years. We therefore need to recruit more members to our

management committee.

If you need any further information on any of these roles, please do speak to Samantha (Centre Manager 07522 178639) or Susan Riordan (Trustee 07742 673394).

John Chrysostom, Bishop of Constantinople, Teacher of the Faith



This Sunday is the feast day of John Chrysostom, a brilliant 4th-century preacher and Archbishop of Constantinople whom people called "golden-mouthed" for his powerful eloquence.

He was born in Antioch around 347 AD and went on to study rhetoric and law before turning to a life of faith and asceticism. His clear and inspiring sermons in Antioch earned him the Greek surname Chrysostom, which means "golden mouthed". John is honored as one of the four great Greek Doctors of the Church.

His sharp words angered Empress Eudoxia and other powerful leaders, and his rivals forced him into exile twice. He died of exhaustion and harsh treatment on September 14, 407. His final words were reported as "Glory be to God for everything".

Ride+Stride 2026 – 12 September 2026

Ride+Stride is a sponsored event to visit churches by bike, walking or any other means of travel. The event raises funds for the restoration and preservation of churches and chapels in Gloucestershire and North Bristol.



Nationally, thousands of people take part in Ride+Stride every year to raise funds to support their local churches and county historic churches trusts. In our county area over £35,000 was raised in 2025, for individual churches and for the grants programme. You can take part in this fun event where participants seek sponsorship to visit our churches by walking or cycling (or you may just like to visit by car). Half of what we raise is returned to us - this year we want to support St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase.

Tidenham and Tutshill Churches will be open and serving refreshments to visitors. Tidenham Church will also be hosting stalls.

If you would like to participate by walking between the churches in our Parishes, we'll be walking from St Briavels to Beachley at 9.30am, calling in at the churches at St Briavels, Hewelsfield, Tidenham Chase, Tidenham, Tutshill and Beachley. Total distance is just over 12 miles! Please contact James Parsons (jamesdparsons727@gmail.com or 07970 489362) if you would like to do this walk, or contact Wendy Moppett (wendy.moppett@btinternet.com) if you would like to join her for a shorter walk from Tutshill to Tidenham at 10.00am.

Whether you are walking and donating, or just donating, please use this JustGiving page to make your donation. www.justgiving.com/page/james-parsons

Offering

Offering can take many forms, including your time. If you are able and willing to help, we have 6 memorial benches that need painting with preservative to ensure they look appropriate and last a long time. If you can help, please contact Churchwarden Brian bduerden70@gmail.com 07809 671955 .

VACANCIES



PCC Treasurer Role Description

The financial year is Jan 1st – December 31st.

The Parish finances are paperless and held in 5 accounts with Lloyds (2) & CCLA Investment Bank (3). All income & expenditure is via the Lloyds current business (charity) account.

Transactions are entered in a bespoke MS Excel ledger which populates templates for annual returns to Charity Commission and to Gloucester Diocese and informs the monthly, quarterly and annual reports.

The treasurer manages expenses for staff and volunteers and disbursements are approved by a Church Warden or the Vicar prior to processing.

A double signature system is used for all outgoings, normally raised by the Treasurer with a group of 5 church members available to electronically provide the second signature.

The budget is managed to keep a contingency of surplus in the PCC funds through balancing income with parish share.

Reporting is monthly to the Finance Committee and bi-monthly to the PCC (Parochial Church Council) and comprises

- A reconciliation of monies held in each bank account,
- A statement of balances since the start of the year for the individual purposes that money is being held for
- A balanced statement of the Parish finances,
- A budget statement and forecast
- A cashflow statement.

More details available from
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PRAY FOR YOUTH + CHILDREN
12TH SEPT '26

MARTIN AND SANDIE'S
LYDNEY RD , YORKLEY, GL15 4RR

 **8:30AM - 9:30AM** 

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11 SO ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER AND BUILD EACH OTHER UP, JUST AS YOU ARE ALREADY DOING.

Praying for children and young people to know Jesus. A monthly Forest wide prayer breakfast meeting. Open for all to network, support and pray. Second Saturday of the month, 8:30am - 9:30am.
 Numbers appreciated- youth.childrenprayerbreakfast@gmail.com

Together for Youth partnering with The Community Family Minister, Churches Together in Lydney

10th October: Clements End, GL16 8LL (Pray for Schools), 14th November: Drybrook, GL17 9BU, 12th December: Pillowell, GL15 4RA, 9th January: Venue?
 13th February: Venue? (Pray for Schools), 13th March: Forest Gate, GL17 0BX
 10th April: Venue? 8th May: Venue? 12th June: Venue? (Pray for Schools) 10th July: Venue?

Tintern Sung Vespers

An Ecumenical Service on the Feast of The Holy Cross

3.00pm Sunday 13th September

Tintern Abbey

Speaker The Rt Revd Brendan Thomas OSB, Abbot of Belmont

Singers The Monks of Belmont Abbey and Newport Cathedral Choir



Please bring a folding chair and umbrella
 • Entry to the Abbey is free for those attending the service • Lunches and teas available in the village • Free parking

With kind permission of CADW. Organised by Friends of Our Lady of Tintern.

St Luke's Folk Club, NP16 7BN
 ...even more than Folk...Jazz.. Pop...Poems...whatever!

Saturday, 12th September 2026
6 to 8.30pm



Come and listen to some local live music
and if you or your band would like to take part then please contact Bill or Tanya White (details below)

Doors open at 5:30pm
All Welcome

Coffee & Tea provided
 please bring any other drinks and snacks to share... No entry fee
 but donations will be accepted to help cover expenses and church costs

For details contact: **Bill and Tanya White**
 Tel 01291 623 169
 Email: tanya.rockymead@gmail.com

You're invited to an AFFIRMATION OF LAY MINISTRY

Saturday 19 September 2026
Gloucester Cathedral

Encouraging lay ministry across the Diocese of Gloucester.



1.15pm – 2.45pm Lay ministry showcase in the cloisters.
 Be inspired and discover a wide range of ministries: Lives of Colour, Sportily, Grace Network, Diocese of Gloucester Funerals, Lay Worship Leading, Pastoral Visitors, and others.

3pm A service with Bishop Rachel to recognise, affirm, celebrate and encourage lay ministry across the Diocese of Gloucester.
 With admission and licensing of Readers.

Whether you're a children's minister, a foundation governor, a chaplain or serve as a welcomer, all lay people and the ordained people that support them are invited to this joyful gathering.

Find out more at www.gloucester.anglican.org/a-celebration-of-lay-ministry



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 6.00pm
St MICHAEL and ALL ANGELS,
TIDENHAM CHASE

COME AND SING
“HARVEST PRAISE!”

with a Choir from the Parish

ALL will be very welcome!



GATHERINGS FOR WORSHIP

Sunday 13th September 2026

(Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity)

St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
9.00am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Luke, Tutshill
11.00am Holy Communion (Common Worship)

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase
6.00pm **CANCELLED DUE TO BEES**

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

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield
11.00am Morning Worship

Wednesday 15th September 2026

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels
10.00am Holy Communion

St Luke, Tutshill
12.00noon Healing Communion

Weekly Prayer Meetings

Praying throughout the year - This week, we will be praying for:
Offa's Mead School and Penguins Pre-school

Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham, Monday 9.15am
Evening Prayer, St Luke, Tutshill, Monday 5.30pm

Morning Prayer, St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase, Tuesday 9.00am
Evening Prayer, St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase, Tuesday 5.00pm

Evening Prayer, St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield, Wednesday 5.00pm

Morning Prayer, St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels, Thursday 9.30am

Evening Prayer, Sedbury Space, Sedbury, Thursday 5.30pm

Bible Readings

Romans 14.1-12, Matthew 18.21-35
(Ezekiel 47.9-12, John 7.37-39)

Prayers

Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; 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

