



Weekly Parish Briefing Sunday 19th December 2021

Covid Updated Guidance

The situation with Covid has been changing rapidly in recent days. The current plan is that we will be aiming to worship the Lord safely in our church buildings, outside or online! All are welcome, but please adhere to all the Covid guidelines - mandatory face coverings, hand sanitizer and keeping 2m apart. In addition, we are encouraging lateral flow tests before gathering indoors with others. If you feel unwell or have any of the Covid symptoms, PLEASE do not attend gatherings. Whilst our church buildings are very well ventilated, please be careful for the sake of others, thank you!

PARISH OF TIDENHAM SERVICES

Sunday 19 December 2021 – ADVENT 4

9.30am St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham, Holy Communion

11am St Luke's, Tutshill, Morning Worship INSIDE the building with SPLASH in St Luke's Room

ST BRIAVELS AND HEWELSFIELD SERVICES

8.30am, St Briavels BCP Communion

9.30am St Briavels, Holy Eucharist

6.30pm St Briavels, Carols & Readings



Online Provision - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKRjOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w>

Bible Readings: Micah 5:2-5a and Luke 1:39-55

The Collect: Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer: Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christmas Services

Check website for further details www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk

Sun 19 Dec @ 3pm: 9 Lessons & Carols, Tidenham Church followed by refreshments

Christmas Eve

24 Dec @ 3.30pm. Bobble hats & lanterns Christmas Eve Nativity outside St Luke's on the school field. Feel free to come dressed as party of the Nativity! If the weather is poor, we will move inside the church.

24 Dec @ 9pm. Midnight Mass at St Luke's, Tutshill

24 Dec @ 11.15pm. Midnight Mass at Tidenham Church

Christmas Day

25 Dec @ 9am. BCP Communion at Tidenham Chase

25 Dec @ 10am. Worship at St Luke's, Tutshill

Boxing Day

Sunday 26 Dec @ 10.30am. Simple Holy Communion with Carols at St Luke's, Tutshill

Sun 2 January @ 9.30am Holy Communion at Tidenham. 11am Family Communion at Tutshill

Epiphany

2 January @ 11am Family Communion at St Luke's, Tutshill

9 January @ 4pm Epiphany carols at St Mary's & St Peter's, Tidenham

Weekly Holy Communion:

Wednesdays at 12.00 noon, St Luke's, Tutshill – last one until 12th January

Wednesdays at 8.30am, St Briavels, BCP – **first and third Wednesdays of each month only**

Wednesday 22nd at 10.30am, St Briavels

Weekly Morning Prayer – this is the last week of daily prayer until 10th January.

Mondays 9.30am St Mary & St Peter's, Tidenham (except Bank Holidays)

Tuesdays 9.00am St Mary's Priory, Chepstow (Churches Together)

Wednesdays 9.15am Contemplative Prayer, St Luke's (note the change back to Wed)

Thursdays 9.00am St Briavels

Evening Prayer

Tuesdays 5.00pm Sedbury Space

Life Group Meetings Weekly – please contact relevant people if you'd like to join in

Sunday 7.30pm Life Group for Men! Online - James Parsons - jamesdparsons727@gmail.com

Monday 2-3.30pm Bible Study at Sedbury Space – Nicki nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk

Monday 7.30pm New Life Group - Vicar David - dtrevd@aol.com (restart after Christmas)

Tuesday 1.00pm Life Group - Julia Parsons, venue varies - juliaparsons727@gmail.com

Wednesday 10.15am Reconvene mid January - TBC

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Thursday 1.30pm Life Group - Tanya White - tanya.rockymead@gmail.com

New Baby & Parent Support Group Weekly – restarting in 2022; please check. St Luke's, Tutshill, every Tuesday morning 9.15am-10.45am. To attend phone or text Emma Durbin on 07369 226546 or via Facebook;

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1130508917404741>

Sedbury Stay and Play – restarting in 2022; please check. Sedbury Village Hall on Wednesday at 9.15am-10.30am. To a book a place or send a message via facebook; <https://www.facebook.com/SedStayandPlay> or contact Emma

Youth Church Group (11-16yrs) meet in St Luke's most Sundays 5-6pm. Contact Ethan tidenhamyouth@gmail.com

Parish News and Information

Our new Administrative Assistant, Annabelle Stephens, now has a new mobile phone contact for parishioner enquiries:

Monday-Friday 10am-4pm **07553 779632** and the email remains the same at tidenhamadmin@btinternet.com

NEW Bereavement Support Group. An opportunity to meet and talk with others over coffee. Contact Nicki 07936 787409 or Susan 07522 178639.

The CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL at St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham will open with a concert of Christmas songs with Alison Wray, Roger Martin and Marjorie Duerden and fun readings, 7.30pm, Friday December 17th. Admission free with donations to the Friends welcome but tickets should be obtained in advance to monitor numbers and for refreshments. Contact Brian & Marjorie Duerden, 01291 623310, bduerden@doctors.org.uk

COME & SEE THE TREES IN DECEMBER AT ST MARY'S & PETER'S TIDENHAM

2-4pm on the following days:

Saturday 18th

Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd

Wednesday 29th & Thursday 30th

Congratulations to Tom and Lauren, Peter and Elinor and Ben and Hannah who have all recently married, and to little Lorenzo who was recently baptised.

Independent Examiner. The Parish needs to appoint an Independent Examiner to examine the Parish Accounts at the year end. Andy Royle has been approached to undertake this task. If you have any questions/queries, please contact PCC Secretary Iain Gardiner 01291 624868.

Rotas. We are putting together various rotas at St Luke's Tutshill for 2022. If you are interested in being involved, please sign up on the relevant sheet at the church, or email Annabelle at tidenhamadmin@btinternet.com

What's on at Sedbury Space

One Stop Café – every Tuesday, 10.00am-Midday. Please come along for a cuppa and a chat

Shared Reading Group – last Wed in the month, 2-3.30pm. Please contact Polly - 07724 738848. Refreshments provided.

'The News' from the Diocese of Gloucester - <https://www.gloucester.anglican.org/news-events/>

Financial Support - Christmas Giving to your Church. As Christmas approaches, the Church here in the Parish has often relied on extra giving over this period. Sadly, Covid may well affect attendance at services and therefore our giving. Please consider whether you may be able to give a financial gift to God's church here in this Parish. A big thank you to all of you who give to the Lord's work here in this place! These are the giving options - Bank Account - Tidenham Parochial Church Sort Code 30-91-89 Account Number 00304754. Standing Order & Gift Aid Forms available to download from Website <https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/giving/>

Parish Treasurer - John Dempsey, tidenhamtreasurer@gmail.com

Charitable Donations – Please consider donating to the following charities this year. Thank you.

Crisis, Bank sort code: 16-00-30, Account number: 12011155

Barnabas Fund, Bank sort code: 20-26-53, Account number: 50133299

Embrace the Middle East, Bank sort code: 60-11-01, Account number: 15540464

Further details of ways to donate, and how to make a donation by Gift Aid if you are a UK taxpayer, can be found on the websites of each of the charities.

TIDENHAM PARISH ONLINE LINKS AND CONTACTS

Parish Website: www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk St Briavels & Hewelsfield website: www.stbandhchurches.org.uk

Facebook Group: all welcome to join this private group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/114300818701466/>

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