



"where the river flows everything will live"

WEEKLY BRIEFING 3rd JULY 2022

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY Third Sunday after Trinity

St Mary & Peter, Tidenham

Holy Communion 9.30am

St Luke, Tutshill

Worship without Walls 11.00am (or inside if raining)

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase

Evensong 6.00pm

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

BCP Holy Communion 8.30am

Family Communion 9.30am

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield & Brockweir

Morning Worship 11.00am

Bible Readings: Ephesians 2:19-end and John 20:24-29

The 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 for ever.

Post Communion Prayer: 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.

WEEKDAY SERVICES IN OUR PARISH

Monday

9.30am Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham.

Tuesday

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

9.00am Morning Prayer, St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

5.00pm Evening Prayer, Sedbury Space

Wednesday

9.15am Contemplative Prayer, St Luke's, Tutshill

10.30am Holy Communion, St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

12.00am Healing Communion, St Luke's, Tutshill, 6th and 13th July, then paused until September

Thursday

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

See www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk and

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlvDBT9M9usfhp2722w>

LIFE GROUP MEETINGS WEEKLY: Please check with your group leaders, if you would like to join us.

Sunday

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

Monday

2.00-3.30pm Bible Study at Sedbury Space - Revd Nicki nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk

Tuesday

1.00pm Life Group - Julia Parsons juliaparsons727@gmail.com - breaks for August, back 20th September.

Wednesday

10.15-11.45am Food for Thought Life Group at Café on the Hill – feel free to come along and join us.

7.30pm Life Group – please contact Wendy for venue and topic this week wendy.moppett@btinternet.com

Thursday

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

Toddler & Parent Support Group - St Luke's, Tutshill, Tuesdays at 9.15-10.30am TERM TIME ONLY. Emma Durbin 07369 226546 or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1130508917404741>

Sedbury Stay & Play for pre-school families - Sedbury Village Hall, Wednesdays at 9.15am-10.30am TERM TIME ONLY. Emma 07369 226546 or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/SedStayandPlay>

Pilates in Church! After these fantastic few months, there's a break over the summer and our wellbeing sessions resume on Tuesday 13th September 2.00-2.45pm, St Luke's Church, Tutshill. See you all then!

What's On at Sedbury Space - check at <https://www.sedburyspace.org.uk>

Evening Prayer - Tuesdays 5.00pm

One Stop Café - Tuesdays 10.00-12.00am - please come along for a cuppa and a chat

Memory Café - First Wednesday of each month 2.00-3.30pm

Chaplaincy Chatroom - Thursdays 1.30-3.30pm

PARISH NEWS & INFORMATION

A Personal note from Vicar David - As many of you know I was quite unwell with Covid back in March 2022. Whilst most people are now thankfully recovering swiftly, unfortunately my body has protested and been struggling to recover since then. As a result, I will be taking time off from all duties in the parishes (sabbatical) from mid-July to mid-September to give my body the chance to heal and renew.

Thankfully, I can take some time off in the full knowledge that I lead a fantastic team of people. Ministry is not 'mine' but something we share together in Christ. Revd Nicki, as curate and Wellbeing Chaplain, along with Revds David (Rees), Tom, Tudor and Anna, Readers James, Fiona and Mandy, CYF Missioner Emma, Churchwardens, Pastoral Assistants and PCC members, Volunteers and all Co-workers in the Gospel and members of the Body of Christ are able to hold things more than adequately. Nicki especially has my delegated authority to lead with support from others and I'm sure you will support and encourage her in

this. Annabelle is of course available in relation to admin and communication. Admin (10-4pm, Mon-Fri) - 07553 779632 - tidenhamadmin@btinternet.com

Communicate with one another, support one another, pray for one another, serve one another, encourage one another, bear with one another, forgive one another... LOVE one another! Sisters and brothers in Christ, dearly loved... hear our call to 'live life together in the flow of God's love!'

Please pray for me. I hope to come back renewed and hear about all the good things God has been doing amongst us!

God bless you - David, your Vicar

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS! If you think it's all over.....! The celebrations are not over yet and we are having our own Parish Jubilee Celebrations on 16th and 17th July. This will involve a whole host of activities at all three churches. There are flyers in church and round about the community and Brian and Marje Duerden are the main point of contact on 01291 623310 or bduerden70@gmail.com. If you can help eg. running a game or stall or just lending a hand, please contact Emma.

Emma is running a stall at the Tutshill Village Fete on 16th July and needs 80 (yes! 80) EMPTY wine bottles with caps and 20 FULL bottles of wine! Please save your empties or donate some full and pop them in St Luke's kitchen or contact Emma for collection. Help manning the stall would be appreciated too please.

Mindfulness Course – this is an 8-week wellbeing course (no set charge but donations/contributions please!) to help people with mental and spiritual health, starting on 6th September. This will be led by Ian Bussell from Gloucester Diocese. There's an introduction and taster session on 20th July 6.30-8.45pm at St. Luke's, Tutshill, so come along and find out how you can benefit – GREAT, if you've always wondered what 'mindfulness' means and GREAT, if you have experienced this before and want something local within your church community. Contact Revd Nicki for more information or Ian Bussell on ibussell@glosdioc.org.uk

Resuming Communion in Both Kinds i.e. returning to receiving the wine at Communion.

The CofE website has amended its guidance on Communion in both kinds COVID 19 Guidance v3.1_0.pdf (churchofengland.org). The Diocese of Gloucester has also given guidance. As a result, a decision has been made by the Vicar and Tidenham PCC to resume the offer of the chalice at all relevant services, from which to take a sip of consecrated wine as well as the bread. This decision will be kept under review.

Three things to note:

1. No one must feel under compulsion to receive the cup.
2. Communicants should **NOT** dip their wafer into the wine (intinction), which can lead to contamination.
3. If anyone feels unwell or has symptoms of a bug, please think of others and do not take the wine.

BREATHE are looking for female volunteers - mentors to support girls and young women who live in the Forest of Dean. No experience needed as all training will be provided! If you have a heart for young people, you could help to support youngsters facing challenges in their lives locally. See www.breatheyouth.org.uk or contact Ruth Julius 07738 422831 or rjulius@breatheyouth.org.uk or Duncan de Gruchy 07375 147924 or ddegruchy@breatheyouth.org.uk

Volunteers Please! Could you volunteer once a month (or less) on a Sunday morning at St. Luke's to play and look after any Under 3s? If you think that you can help, please contact or see Emma. Thank you.

Another Volunteer Please! Can someone to drive a 17-seater minibus on 6th August and again on 11th August please? There is a Christian Youth Festival at Stafford Showground with two other FoD church youth groups and we need help to transport some of our young people. Again, please contact Emma.

Ukrainian Crisis – There will be a coffee morning for all Ukraine families and their hosts at 10.00am on 8th July at Beracah House, Gloucester Road, Tutshill.

If you could help provide a church response for some of the families that have joined our community, please let Revd Nicki or Vicar David know. Specifically, we need help with transport to and from church.

Recently a family, a mother and two children from Mariupol, moved into the parish. Is anyone who can host her mother-in-law and sister-in-law, so that they could live nearby and support one another. If you can help, please contact Grace on 07714 349210. Thank you.

Children's clothes please – contact Emma, if you have any girl's clothes 6–10 yrs and boy's 13–14 yrs.

St Luke's Coffee Morning – Welcome coffee and cake morning 10.00-12.00am LAST MONDAY of each month, so 25th July. Please pop in and see how a friendly cuppa and a chat can change your day. Contact Polly paulinemorgan23@gmail.com or Revd Nicki nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk for more information.

Baptism & Confirmation – would you like to be baptised or confirmed? Or do you just want to know more about the Christian faith? Please speak to Revd David or one of the team – come and explore Life & Faith.

Bereavement Support Group – feeling lost or weighed down? Contact Revd Nicki 07936 787409 for a chat.

Save the Day 2023 – we are taking a group to Minehead in 2023. This would be Easter 2023, Monday 10th April to Friday 14th April. Please let Tanya White know if you are interested. More details will follow tanya.rockymead@gmail.com

Financial Support - Giving to your Church & Charity. Can you give to God's church? A big thank you to all of you who do! Bank Account Giving is - Tidenham Parochial Church, Sort Code 30-91-89 Account Number 00304754, via our website <https://www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk/giving/> or the contactless card reader in St Luke's Tutshill.

TIDENHAM PARISH ONLINE LINKS & 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/>

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

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