



"where the river flows everything will live"

WEEKLY BRIEFING 27th March 2022 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Lent is here – the most important time for Christians. After two years of pandemic, detachment, disengagement and isolation let's learn to be God's people again... being the community He wants us to be. The focus will be on some of the 'one anothers' of Scripture of which there are many! Let's engage with the exciting exploration of what a relationship with Christ and one another really means.

SERVICES THIS MOTHERING SUNDAY IN OUR PARISH

This Lent, we encourage you to engage with the opportunities for prayer and penitence and look to rebuilding body and spirit – both as individuals and as one Christian body.

St Luke, Tutshill

Family Worship 11.00am - informal Café Style Service with refreshments and croissants

St Mary & Peter, Tidenham

Holy Communion 9.30am

St Michael & All Angels, Tidenham Chase

Evensong 6.00pm

St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

Family Communion 9.30am

St Mary Magdalene, Hewelsfield

Morning Worship 11.00am

Bridge Church, Bulwark

Youth Service 6.20pm

Bible Readings: 1 Samuel 2:1-10 and Luke 1:46-56

The Collect: God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion Prayer: Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast, you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WEEKDAY SERVICES IN OUR PARISH

Monday	9.30am	Morning Prayer, St Mary & St Peter, Tidenham
	9.15am	Children & Families Ministry Prayer at Non's, Greenacres, Coleford Road
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	9.30am	Contemplative Prayer, St Luke's Tutshill
	12.00am	Holy Communion, St Luke's, Tutshill
Thursday	9.30am	Morning Prayer, St Mary the Virgin, St Briavels

Check out www.tidenhamparishchurch.co.uk and <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkRjOlVDBT9M9usfhp2722w>

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

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

Monday - 2.00-3.30pm Bible Study at Sedbury Space - Revd Nicki nicki1002@hotmail.co.uk 07936 787409

Monday - 7.30pm New Life Group at St Luke's, Tutshill - Revd David - dtrevd@aol.com

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

Wednesday - 10.15-11.45am Food for Thought Life Group at Café on the Hill – Revd David dtrevd@aol.com

- 7.30pm Life Group - Fiona Gardiner at Woodcroft Close - fiona.m.gardiner@btinternet.com

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

Special Lent Life Group: a course about and for Lent, lasting five weeks 8th March - 5th April 7.00pm coffee for 7.30pm start every Tuesday evening in St Luke's Church, Tutshill. Contact Vicar David for more information.

Walking through Lent with One Another: In line with this year's theme of Community, our walks offer a chance to talk and contemplate, all starting at 1.30pm on Tuesdays. 29th March is a circular 3.5m route starting and ending at St Luke's Tutshill via Wintour's Leap. Further details from Wendy 07447 311131.

Light a Candle - we might feel overwhelmed and concerned about the war in Ukraine as well, as war and famine in other parts of the world, global warming and events in our own lives. During Lent, St Luke's Church will be open all day Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and also Friday morning. Please feel free to pray, light a candle or write a prayer.

Baby & Parent Support Group - St Luke's, Tutshill, Tuesdays at 9.15-10.30am. 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. Emma 07369 226546 or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/SedStayandPlay>

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

Evening Prayer – Tuesdays 5.00pm

One Stop Café – Tuesdays 10.00am-noon - 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

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING / ANNUAL REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL - Tidenham Parish, Iain Gardiner, Church Electoral Roll Officer 01291 624868.

This year's Annual Church Meeting (APCM /AGM) will be held at 10.15am in St Mary & St Peter's Church Tidenham on Sunday 8th May i.e. after the Morning Service.

In advance of that meeting, the PCC must review the existing Church Electoral Roll, which has been posted on all Church notice boards, between Sunday 3rd April and Sunday 17th April. If your name is already on the Roll, you don't need to do anything! If your name is **not** on the Church Electoral Roll and you wish to register, application forms are available at the back of each church, or email me at iain706gardiner@btinternet.com. These should be completed and returned to me either electronically or hard copy no later than Sunday 17th April.

The formal legal notice of the proposed annual revision to the roll and Tidenham Parish's GDPR privacy notice redated February 2022 have also been posted on the church notice boards.

Chrism Eucharist - Maundy Thursday 14th April 11.00am. This is an opportunity for licensed ministers to gather at Gloucester Cathedral for the Chrism Eucharist and to renew their vows alongside 'one another'. It is also one of the few times the Diocese comes together and we get a sense that we are part of something a lot bigger; all are welcome.

Scarecrow Trail 2022 – we are excited to let everyone know that the Scarecrow Trail is on 3rd – 23rd April. This is to raise funds for the Tidenham Parish Churches, SARA and Teens in Crisis. Information is now available around the Parish and on the website. Please come and join us – it is great fun and for great causes!

Fairtrade – Julia and Cate are now selling Fairtrade Chocolate Easter Eggs. Contact juliaparsons727@gmail.com for a Fairtrade catalogue or to order and help make life fairer for farmers and producers in the developing world.

NEW Pilates in Church! Every Tuesday 2.00-2.45pm, St Luke’s Church, Tutshill; this is part of our Wellbeing initiative to promote gentle physical activity. Contact Loreto on 07883 401475 or lorespinosaa@icloud.com for information and booking. Please bring your own mat, if possible, but not essential!

Baptism & Confirmation – would you like to be baptised or confirmed? Or perhaps 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 with us.

Bereavement Support Group – Contact Revd Nicki 07936 787409 for a chat over a cuppa, if you’re feeling lost.

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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Holy Week Services



Palm Sunday 10th April

- 9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary & St Peter's Tidenham
- 10.30am procession, led by Breeze the donkey, from Tutshill Memorial Hall to St Luke's for 11.00am Worship and extra time with Breeze
- 6.00pm Palm Sunday Evensong at St Michael & All Angels Tidenham Chase

Wednesday 13th April

- 12.00am Holy Communion at St Luke's Tutshill
- 7.00pm 'Journeying through Grief to Hope',
a Service for the Bereaved at St Michael & All Angels Tidenham Chase

Maundy Thursday 14th April

- 7.30pm Holy Communion & The Watch at St Luke's Tutshill

Good Friday 15th April

- 10.00am Children's Service at St Luke's Tutshill
- 2.00pm Good Friday Devotions at St Luke's Tutshill
- 11.00am Reflective Service of Poetry & Prose at The Loft, Brockweir Village Shop

Saturday 16th April

- 9.00pm Easter Vigil at St Mary & St Peter's Tidenham

Easter Sunday 17th April

- 9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary & St Peter's Tidenham
- 11.00am Family Communion at St Luke's Tutshill
- 6.00pm BCP Holy Communion at St Michael & All Angels Tidenham Chase

Covid Updates: Whilst Government restrictions have ceased, we would still encourage hand sanitizing, respect for personal space and wearing of face masks. If you have any Covid symptoms, please do not attend. Thank you!