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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>26th <i>The Fourth Sunday of Easter</i> 8.30 Eucharist S Chad's C Preb Michael Newman P Philip Taylor <i>followed by Prayer During the Day</i> 10.00 Sung Eucharist S Mary's followed by APCM C Preb Michael Newman P Philip Taylor 3.00pm Stafford District Scouts St George's Day Service S Mary's</p>	<p>27th <i>Christina Rossetti, 1894</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>28th <i>Peter Chanel, 1841</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>29th <i>Catherine of Siena, 1380</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 11.00am Eucharist S Chad's 7.00pm Ringers Practice S Mary's</p>	<p>30th <i>Pandita Mary Ramabai, 1922</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 6.30pm Wedding rehearsal S Mary's</p>	<p>1st May <i>Philip and James, Apostles</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) Noon Eucharist S Chad's 4.45pm Children's Choir practice 7.30pm Choir practice S Mary's</p>	<p>2nd May <i>Athanasius, 373</i> 10.30am Book Sales S Chad's 11.30am Baptism S Mary's 2.00pm Wedding S Mary's</p>
<p>3rd <i>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</i> 8.30 Eucharist at S Chad's C P Preb Michael Newman <i>followed by Prayer During the Day</i> 10.00 Sung Eucharist and Baptism S Mary's C Preb Michael Newman P Revd Pam Merriott 10.00 Morning Prayer S Leonard's Philip Taylor followed by APCM</p>	<p>4th <i>English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 4.00pm -8.00pm Visiting Bell Ringers S Mary's</p>	<p>5th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>6th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 11.00am Eucharist S Chad's 7.00pm Ringers Practice S Mary's</p>	<p>7th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>8th <i>Julian of Norwich, c.1417</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) Noon Eucharist S Chad's 4.45pm Children's Choir practice 7.30pm Choir practice S Mary's</p>	<p>9th 11.00am Coffee Concert S Mary's <i>Beautiful Baroque</i> 1.00pm-4.00pm Poetry Workshop <i>Words for Peace</i></p>
<p>10th <i>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</i> 8.30 Eucharist S Chad's C P Revd John Davis <i>followed by Prayer During the Day</i> 10.00 Sung Eucharist S Mary's C Preb Michael Newman P Revd John Davis 5.00-6.30pm Quarter-Peal to be rung at S Mary's</p>	<p>11th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>12th <i>Gregory Dix, 1952</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>13th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 11.00am Eucharist S Chad's 7.00pm Ringers Practice S Mary's</p>	<p>14th Ascension Day 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 7.30pm Ascension Day Eucharist S Mary's C Revd John Davis P Preb Michael Newman</p>	<p>15th <i>Matthias the Apostle</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) Noon Eucharist S Chad's 4.45pm Children's Choir practice 7.30pm Choir practice S Mary's</p>	<p>16th <i>Caroline Chisholm, 1877</i> 11.45am Mayor's Annual Civic Service S Mary's</p>
<p>17th <i>The Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> 8.30 Eucharist S Chad's C P Preb Michael Newman <i>followed by Prayer During the Day</i> 10.00 Family Eucharist S Mary's C Revd John Davis P Preb Michael Newman 11.30am Baptism S Chad's</p>	<p>18th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>19th <i>Dunstan, 988</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>20th <i>Alcuin, 804</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 11.00am Eucharist S Chad's 7.00pm Ringers Practice S Mary's</p>	<p>21st <i>Helena, 330</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 7.00pm 12 Bell Practice S Mary's</p>	<p>22nd 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) Noon Eucharist S Chad's 4.45pm Children's Choir practice 7.30pm Choir practice S Mary's</p>	<p>23rd 11.00am Coffee Concert S Mary's <i>Rachel Fillhart & John Gough</i></p>
<p>24th <i>Pentecost</i> 8.30 Eucharist S Chad's C Revd John Davis P Philip Taylor 10.00 Sung Eucharist S Mary's C Revd Pam Merriott P Philip Taylor</p>	<p>25th <i>Bede, 735; Aldhelm, 709</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 3.00pm Visiting Bell Ringers S Mary's</p>	<p>26th <i>Augustine, 605; John Calvin, 1564; Philip Neri, 1595</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>27th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 11.00am Eucharist S Chad's 7.00pm Ringers Practice S Mary's</p>	<p>28th <i>Lanfranc, 1089</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>29th 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) Noon Eucharist S Chad's NO CHILDREN'S CHOIR 7.30pm Choir practice S Mary's</p>	<p>30th <i>Josephine Butler, 1906; Joan of Arc, 1437; Apolo Kivebulaya, 1933</i></p>
<p>31st <i>Trinity Sunday</i> 8.30 Eucharist S Chad's C Revd John Davis P Revd Pam Merriott 10.00 Sung Eucharist S Mary's C Revd John Davis P Revd Pam Merriott 6.30 Choral Evensong S Mary's Revd John Davis</p>	<p>1st June <i>The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>2nd June 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>3rd June <i>The Martyrs of Uganda, 1885-7 & 1977</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) 11.00am Eucharist S Chad's 7.00pm Ringers Practice S Mary's 7.00pm Meeting of the PCC S Leonard's</p>	<p>4th June <i>Corpus Christi</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)</p>	<p>5th June <i>Boniface of Crediton, 754</i> 9.00am Morning Prayer (Zoom) Noon Eucharist S Chad's 4.45pm Children's Choir practice 7.30pm Choir practice S Mary's</p>	<p>6th June <i>Ini Kopuria, 1945</i> 10.30am Book Sales S Chad's 11.30am Baptism S Mary's</p>

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Coffee Concerts

May 9th
 Beautiful Baroque
 (violin, flute and piano)

May 23rd
 Rachel Fillhart (clarinet)
 &
 John Gough (piano)

Join us at St. Mary's Church, Stafford
 Doors Open 10:30am. Free Admission.
 Donations Gratefully Received

Farewell to Hospice Care Kenya

After two and a half years of supporting Hospice Care Kenya, we're proposing to move on to a new project. The latest figures show that we have collected just over £1000 since the autumn. We will make the final payment to HCK in June this year and, for anyone who wishes to make a final contribution, we will be accepting donations until 31st May. Donation envelopes are available at the back of St. Mary's. Cheques payable to **St. Mary's Church Stafford**. A card reader is available in St. Mary's. To pay direct to the bank use these details:
 Account name: The PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Stafford St. Mary
 Ref: HCK Account No: 00032434
 Sort Code: 40 52 40

Any donations received after 31st May will be credited to the new project: details of this will be coming soon.

*Thank you for your support.
 St. Mary's One World Group.*

Have you signed up for our weekly e-newsletter?

Go to your browser and type in:
<http://eepurl.com/gXGByr>
 to go straight to the signup form.

Book Sale Plus
 Saturdays
 10.30-2.30 at St Chad's

2nd May
6th June
1st August
5th September

For books and more!

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Ascension Day Eucharist

Thursday 14th May 2026
7.30pm at the Collegiate Church of St Mary in Stafford
Music: Missa Brevis in D, K 194 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

The Choir of the Collegiate Church
 Director of Music: Margaret Outen
 Organist: Tim Sagar

CHORAL EVENSONG
Sunday 31st May
6.30pm at St Mary's

The Choir of the Collegiate Church
 Director of Music: Margaret Outen
 Organist: Tim Sagar

Words for Peace
 Seeking - Building - Finding
 St. Mary's Arts Festival 2026
 20 June to 5 July

Poetry Competition
 Free to Enter
www.stmarysfestival.info
 Entries Close Midnight, 15 May 2026

"Poetry is an act of peace. Peace goes into the making of a poet as flour goes into the making of bread."
 Pablo Neruda

We are inviting unpublished poems of up to 40 lines exploring the theme of peace in its broadest sense. ENTRY is FREE and you may submit up to three poems.
The closing date is midnight, 15th May 2026

Looking for inspiration?

There will be a poetry workshop at St Mary's on Saturday 9th May, 1pm-4pm.

The Words for Peace poetry workshop is an informal and welcoming opportunity to read, write and share poems, explore the theme together, and begin or develop an entry for the competition.

The winner will receive a £50 book token, and the winner, together with a selection of runners-up, will be invited to read at the festival's poetry and music evening on Friday 3rd July.

For the artists there will be a drawing workshop on Thursday 18th June, 10am-1pm.
 Join architect Ian and artist Lisa for a fun workshop, responding to the peace and beauty of St Mary's. Materials provided, or bring your own.
 For more information, or to register, email the parish office.
 Suggested donation: £10.00

Please take this newsletter away with you.
 StaffordChurches in June will come out on May 31st
 If you have something to go into the calendar, please tell Samantha in the Parish Office before May 26th.