

NEWSLETTER

St Joseph & St Teresa, Wells & Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Cheddar

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS—WELLS 9.00AM – 3.00PM; CHEDDAR 9.00AM – 2.45PM

EASTER WEEK 7 17th May 2026 YEAR A		
	CHEDDAR	**WELLS**
SATURDAY 16th May	10.00am Mass *(Anthony RIP)* *Pray for Michael Henry Moore RIP*	5.30pm Confession 6.00pm Vigil Mass *(Mieczyslaw RIP)*
SUNDAY FEAST OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF APOSTLES	8.30am Confessions 9.00am Marian Mass *(Maureen and Geoff Robinson)* *Pray for Michael Henry Moore RIP*	11.00am Mass *(Pat Cocksedge RIP)* 3.00pm Bishop Bosco is presiding at Evensong at Wells Cathedral
TUESDAY	10.30am Garden Prayer Meeting	9.30am Rosary
WEDNESDAY	6.30pm Guided Rosary in the Church.	10.00am Adoration, Rosary and Mass
THURSDAY	10.00am Mass *(Christine Sluce)*	
FRIDAY		10.00am Mass and Adoration *Novena for the Holy Spirit starting today and running for 9 days*
SATURDAY 23rd May	10.00am Mass *(Binoy John RIP)*	6.00pm Vigil Mass *(Private Intention)* *Pray for Vincent and Rosa Carrino RIP*

Entrance Antiphon: O Lord hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia

READING: Acts 1:12-14; Psalm 27; 1 Peter 4:13-16; John 17:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: "I believe I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living"

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans, says the Lord. I am going away and I will come to you and your hearts will rejoice Alleluia

Communion Antiphon: Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.

SECOND COLLECTION: CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION NETWORK

As is our tradition in Wells, we will be praying the Rosary of Our Blessed Mother Mary before each Mass throughout May. Pope Leo has asked us all to pray for world peace in these unstable times and this will be the focus of our Rosary prayer. Please could you consider arriving for Mass twenty minutes early so as to be able to join in this time of quiet reflection.

Please pray for Martin Joy and his family as he has recently passed away. His requiem is on Friday 29th May 1.00pm

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH Ron Martin 2008, Wendy Martin 2010, Carmella Pierri 2000, John Burgess 2001, Antonio Eposito 1996, Elizabeth Cordery 2002, Susanna Ross 2006, Jack Murphy 2000. May they rest in peace

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Parish Calendars

16th May	**CHRISTIAN AID STREET COLLECTION IN WELLS**	7th June	**First Holy Communion, Wells**
17th May	**Bishop Bosco is presiding at Christian Aid Evensong at Wells Cathedral at 3.00pm. All welcome**	14th June	**OLQA Parish Charity Fundraiser. Cream Tea at Cocklake in the garden of Anne and Steve Pilkington Plants, jam and a raffle!!**
26th May	**Catholic Communities will be praying the Rosary at Wells Cathedral at 3.30pm. All welcome**	27th June	**Wells Food Festival**
6th June	**Wells Parish Quiz Night**	28th June	**First Holy Communion, Cheddar**

Diocesan News

From Hope to Action: Laudato Si’ Week 2026 - the 11th anniversary of the publication of Pope Francis’s encyclical Laudato Si’ is being marked with a week of events between **17 and 24 May**. This year’s theme, *From Hope to Action* is an invitation to move from reflection to transformation—turning hope into concrete action for our common home. Great ideas and resources can be found here: https://laudatosiweek.org/resources/

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Parish New

SS Joseph and Teresa’s school PTFA are organising a Online Silent Auction to be held at the end of May and hoped that the church might be willing to donate a hamper towards this event. All monies raised are going towards school resources. We would need the hamper donations to be left in the Narthex before 12th May. Details of how to bid for the many lovely prizes will follow shortly. Any questions please ask Steph Webb.

Cheddar Parish Maintenance Day Saturday 3rd June 9.30am

There are over 30 jobs that need doing to help maintain the Church, the Halls and the Grounds. There are jobs suitable for everyone so please come along and help even if it is just an hour.

Calling all Wells Parishioners to bring petals for Corpus Christi on 7th June

If you are interested in joining a coach day trip to the **ROYAL MINT EXPERIENCE TRIP IN SEPTEMBER**, please let Jo know. Her email address is jojotravelmad@gmail.com. The coach will depart from Our Lady Queen of Apostles in Cheddar 10am returning approx. 5pm. £37pp based on 30 people. You will join a behind the scenes tour with the opportunity to strike your own coin (additional cost) There is a café to purchase lunch or afternoon tea.

Anyone who would like to volunteer for any ministry, reading, cleaning, welcoming, Eucharistic Minister please contact the Office. Thank you

***Free items for collection**: English and Italian books, Garden tools, a Rotavater (petrol); plastic net and some wooden poles etc. Welcome to view, Call/message Rev Felix in Wells on 07459201443.*

Beyond Horizons - Sculpture exhibition at Stoberry House and Gardens. We are still looking for help so please sign up if you can or purchase a ticket, specifically for any of the **17th, 18th and 19th of September, April/May only promotion:** A 20% discount will be applied to tea/coffee & cake prices for all ticket or gift voucher purchases made by May 31st. Tickets and gift vouchers are now on sale via https://www.stoberrybeyondhorizons.co.uk.

Cheddar Book Sale planned for the Autumn to raise funds for the Parish Charity – Children’s Hospice SW. Don’t take your books to a charity shop, drop them in at the Hall Office where they will be sorted for sale. Last year we raised nearly £500 from book sales. Thank you

6th June 2026 - Wells Parish Quiz' and Ploughmans at Seagar Hall starting at 7.00pm BYOB £12pp Teams of a maximum of 5

Wonderful news. – Due to the amount of fundraising OLQA raised for Guide Dogs for the Blind we have been asked to name a puppy!!! More information to follow. Thank you for all your generosity

If you are a housebound parishioner in Wells and would like a visit like a visit please contact Fr Tony or the Office.

NB- PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE TAGS FROM THE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AS THERE IS A COST TO REPLACE THEM THANKS

Wells Collection	£452.36	Cheddar Collection	£225.70
Gift Aid	£327.00	Gift Aid	£400.00

50/50 Club Winners; £40 R Lewis, £20 A Downing, £10 M Dutton

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