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15th November 2020 - Thirty Third Sunday of the Year (A)

Timetable of Online Masses and Services.	
<i>For Online Masses, go to www.rcwlvwest.com</i>	
Saturday Vigil Mass Sunday 15th November 33rd Sunday Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday	5.30pm Online Mass Alfred John Doyle RIP 5.30 pm - 6.00pm St Michael's open for Adoration and Confessions 10.15 am Online Mass Middleton, Crane, Grogan, Luetchford Deceased 3.00 pm - 4.00pm St Bernadette's and St Michael's open for Adoration 7.00pm Online Student Mass Holy Souls
Monday 16th November Feria	9.00am Online Mass <i>pro populo</i> Midday - 1.00pm SS Peter & Paul open for Adoration 6.00pm Online Mass James Hearne
Tuesday 17th November Feria	9.00am Online Mass Maura Johnson RIP 11.15 am St Michael Funeral Service Patricia Allen RIP (by invitation only) Midday - 1.00pm SS Peter & Paul open for Adoration 7.00pm Online Mass Riddell & Guest Families
Wednesday 18th November Feria	10.00 am - 11.00am St Michael's open for Adoration 12.00 Midday St Bernadette Funeral Mass John Corbett RIP (by Invitation only)
Thursday 19th November Feria	9.30am - 10.30 am St Bernadette's open for Adoration 6.00 pm Online Mass Thomas Edgar RIP
Friday 20th November Feria	9.00am Online Mass Jane Morgan Midday - 1.00pm SS Peter & Paul open for Private Prayer 6.00pm Online Mass Thomas Reynolds RIP
Saturday 21st November Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	National Day of Prayer to end the Pandemic Vigil of Prayer 10.30am - 11.30am Adoration and Confessions
Saturday Vigil Mass Sunday 22nd November Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	5.30pm Online Mass Delores Macari 10.15 am Online Mass Renee Vilunas RIP 3.00 pm - 4.00pm St Bernadette's and St Michael's open for Adoration 7.00pm Online Student Mass <i>pro populo</i>
<i>For the moment, Mass is celebrated in private at the Carmelite Convent but the sisters continue to pray for us, day and night.</i>	

Ventilation in Church We are required to ensure that there is ventilation during Private Prayer. All our churches will therefore be drafty, so it is essential that you wear warm clothing.

Parish News and Activities

The Meaning of Adoration Our churches will be open for private prayer at the following times this week. ***Please come along even just for 5 minutes.*** “Adoration” means that the Blessed Sacrament will be enthroned upon the altar surrounded by candles. It is a wonderful opportunity to find a few moments of peace and to be taken beyond the confines of our present difficulties and to be reminded of God's presence with us. As Blessed Carlo says: *“Our goal must be the infinite and not the finite. The Infinity is our homeland. We are always expected in Heaven.”* When we go to adoration, we get glimpses of the immensity and infinity of God.

St Bernadette: Sunday 3.00 pm - 4.00 pm. Thursday 9.30 am -10.30 am.

SS Peter & Paul: Monday 12.00 midday - 1.00 pm. Tuesday 12.00 midday - 1.00 pm. Friday 12.00 midday - 1.00 pm.

St Michael: Sunday 3.00 pm - 4.00 pm. Wednesday 10.00 am - 11.00 am.

Saturday 21st November Special National Day of Prayer to end the pandemic: 10.30 am - 11.30 am with Confessions available.

Pray the Angelus at Home at 6.00pm The Cardinal has asked us as a nation to pray each evening at all to pray at 6.00pm An ideal prayer would be to **pray the Angelus.** (***See the end of the Bulletin***)

The Catholic Women's League would like to invite all to join in with the Glorious Mysteries this Thursday, 19th November at 7.30pm for 7.45pm start. Please email or call Sarah to receive Zoom details. sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk 07948963325

Zoom Coffee Morning Friday 20th November at 10.00am If you would like to join us for a chat and catch up with news, send an email to rcwlwest@gmail.com for the codes to join.

Advent Preparations at Home An ideal way to prepare your home for the true spirit of Christmas is to gather in your bubble and celebrate the **Advent Feast**. Some of you experienced this in the hall at St Michael's last year but it is intended that this is something done at home. All the instructions for how to celebrate the Advent Feast can be found by downloading the booklet of our website.

The Keralan Community of the Black Country Area Now that St Teresa's Church has been closed, the Archbishop has asked St Michael's Church to host their regular Syro-Malabar Rite Mass. Once public Masses resume, therefore, their Mass will be at 2.30pm on Sunday afternoons. Their Mass will be celebrated by their own chaplain.

Christmas Masses At the moment, we are assuming that we will have public Masses again in time for Christmas. We are putting on extra Masses on Christmas Eve but please be aware that any of the Masses from Christmas Day until New Year's Day are part of what is called the Octave of Christmas and are therefore Christmas Masses. If you are uncertain about gathering in larger crowds, you may consider coming for one of the Christmas Octave Masses.

All Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are only available to people who have already booked a place. Booking will start on the week beginning Monday 22nd November. It is essential that you book and let friends and family know that this is the case.

Christmas Mass Schedule (This has been worked out according to the availability of stewards and cleaners)

Christmas Eve Thursday 24th December	4.00 pm St Michael Family Mass 1 4.30pm St Bernadette Family Mass 2 5.30pm SS Peter & Paul Family Mass 3 8.00pm St Michael Vigil Mass Midnight St Michael <i>Keralan Syro-Malabar Rite Mass</i> Midnight SS Peter & Paul Vigil Mass
Christmas Day Friday 25th December	9.00am SB 10.00am SM 10.30am SSPP

Please encourage families to make use of all three family Masses that are being provided on Christmas Eve.

Parish Database During the lockdown in April we tried to ring everyone on our database. Many phone numbers were incorrect and many parishioners are not on the database. As we face the prospect of further restrictions it is important that we have your correct details. ***Please do not assume we have your details.*** To begin the process of correcting our database, if you are on email, please email us with your correct address and telephone numbers. Many thanks. Fr Mark

Mission and Outreach

The FOOD COLLECTION The Food/ Toiletries/ Christmas Present Collection continues at St M on Tuesday 1-2, Thursday and Saturday 10-11 and before all Private Prayer hours AND at SSPP on Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 12 -1 during lockdown. This week's donations are being distributed to local families through SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary Academy. Donations of blankets and children's winter coats would be much appreciated.

ADDRESSING LOCAL NEED: Much-welcomed supplies can be dropped off at any time for the Good Shepherd Ministry via 2, Richmond Rd WV3 9HY Thank you for your kindness.

Mary's Meals: The shipping of Backpacks that encourage children to school - and a meal - is currently suspended. Youth Group Leaders will consider how we can be involved in the project when it is reviewed by the charity in the New Year (like you, we have already gathered odd items to send on). It costs £15.90 to feed a child at school per year: this Mary's Meals work is on-going: watch it in "Love Reaches Everywhere" a 35 mins documentary with Hollywood's Gerard Butler (the Phantom of the Opera as well as the voice of Stoik the Vast in "How to train your dragon"!) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mCVM4jm1VMU> or via the charity's website. Thank you for your kind support. (336534)

Knitters: Thank you: a dozen hats for seafarers are about to head to the Apostleship of the Sea: contact 336534 if you have one about to come off your needles, so that it can join them! Please do continue to knit: we have been reminded recently how ships come from warmer climes: often seafarers do not have clothing to match our winter weather, and truly appreciate this gift.

Archdiocesan Commission for Interreligious Dialogue You are invited to a series of zoom meetings looking at what gives hope to people when dealing with the Covid 19 crisis across the various religions in the West Midlands. For more details check the Parish News page on the website.

SVP Support - SVP appeal - we are very short of funds to enable us to support requests for help from disadvantaged families in our area. In a normal year Fr Mark has allowed us to have a second collection for our Conference at a Mass in September but this year due to the pandemic this has not taken place. If you would like to help us please consider either a one off donation or setting up a standing order to donate regularly. If you cannot help at this time we are asking for your prayers to support us in our work. For details about how to donate preferably by bank transfer contact David Spinks at 07544960402 or by email at david.spinks1949@gmail.com

Life Charity shop and Life outreach to needy mums and babies: With the help of your generous donations of goods, the shop has done well in recent weeks. Sadly, it has to close during the lockdown. Please save any further gifts of clothes, bric-a-brac and books to give to us once it is open again. We aim to continue practical support for needy mums and babies during these difficult times, so still welcome gifts of baby clothes and equipment such as pushchairs and cots. If you can help, please ring Rosalie on 01902 330553.

Finances

Weekly Offerings Now that we have begun a second lockdown it is still possible to bring your weekly offering with you when you come for private prayer. Alternatively it is now possible to donate to each parish directly through our website. Standing Order for the month of October 2020 St Michael's £1487.75 St Bernadette's: £625.18 SS Peter & Paul: £258.10. *The GIFT AID office is unable to send out certificates of donation and letters to individual donors this year. Those parishioners of St Michael's and St Bernadette's who are GA donors if you are unsure about how much you have donated you can contact Sr Lydwin for information.*

THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.
*Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with Thee;
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen*

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary, etc.

V. And the Word was made Flesh.
R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary, etc.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

V. Let us pray.

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Keith Tomlins, Brian Dyce, David Souberry, Ben Sherry, Holly Burke, Mason Kavanagh, Paula Box, June Abbiss, Peter Holmes, Alice Stevens, George Brown, Chris Starkey, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Stephen Briggs, Hilary Elsdon, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Ann Bayley, Helen O'Brien-Coleman, Mary Abbiss, Peggy McHale, Patrick Quinn, Fred & Celia Norton, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Leah Nixon, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Pat Eades, Helen Porter, Mary Kirby, Sheila O'Toole, Tony McGinn, Brendan Bleakley.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Stephen Brooks, Patricia Allen, John Corbett, Antony Brennan, Desiree Molloy, Geoffrey Baker, Eileen Dodd **May they rest in peace.**

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