



THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

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21st February 2021- First Sunday of the Lent (B)

Timetable of Online Masses and Services.
 For Online Masses, go to www.rcwlvwest.com

Saturday Vigil Mass FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT 21st February	5.30 pm St Michael <i>Caroline Froggatt</i> 9.00 St Bernadette <i>pro populo</i> 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online <i>Donal O'Sullivan RIP</i> 11.30 St Michael <i>Olive & Charles Burt</i> 2.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Rite Mass.
Monday 22 nd February Feast of the Chair of St Peter	9.30 am Online Mass <i>Holy Souls</i> 8.00 pm Online Holy Hour "Monica's Prayers"
Tuesday 23 rd February Feria	9.30 am Online Mass <i>Monica Blee</i> 8.00pm Online Holy Hour "Blessed Carlo Acutis" finishing with Night Prayer
Wednesday 24 th February	9.30 am Online <i>Marion Driver</i> 12.00 Midday St Bernadette <i>John Sweeney</i> 6.30 pm Stations of the Cross by Zoom tinyurl.com/prx8kfd3
Thursday 25 th February	10.00 am St Bernadette Stations of the Cross 12.00 Midday St Michael <i>Patricia Bamford</i> 8.00pm Online Holy Hour "Year of St Joseph devotions with Benediction"
Friday 26 th February FAMILY FAST DAY	9.30am St Bernadette <i>Loretta Cammeron</i> 12.00 Midday SS Peter & Paul & Online <i>Holy Souls</i> 3.00pm Online Holy Hour with Divine Mercy Devotions 6.30pm St Michael Stations of the Cross
Saturday 27 th February	9.30 am Online Mass <i>John Owen RIP</i> 11.00 am St Michael Confessions and SS Peter & Paul Confessions
Saturday Vigil Mass SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT 28 th February	5.30 pm St Michael <i>Connor O'Connell</i> 9.00 St Bernadette <i>Holy Souls</i> 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online <i>pro populo</i> 11.30 St Michael <i>Sisters of Charity</i> 2.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Rite Mass.

For the moment, Mass is celebrated in private at the Carmelite Convent but the sisters continue to pray for us, day and night.

Booking places for Sunday Masses:

FOR ST MICHAEL, please email or ring Sr Lydwin on 01902 341343 on Thursday and Friday.

FOR SS PETER & PAUL, please ring or text Val on 07934905283 .

FOR ST BERNADETTE, please ring Judith on 01902 620 764 between 6.30pm and 7.30pm or email judithpitt64@gmail.com

While the infection rate is high **please do make use of the online services provided by the parish,**

Prayer and Parish Activities

LENT Walk with me Booklets and Calendars are available in the porch of each church.

FAMILY FAST DAY is this Friday. We are asked to eat only **one meal** and only two small snacks and then save the money we would have spent and place it in the FAMILY FAST DAY envelopes which you have picked up this weekend. For further information see the Cafod notice on the last page of the bulletin.

Stations of the Cross There will be four ways you can participate in Stations of the Cross during lent.

1. There will Stations of the Cross by zoom every **Wednesday at 6.30 pm** You can access this by the following link: tinyurl.com/prx8kfd3 or go to the parish diary on our website and click directly on the calendar entry.
2. Stations of the Cross will be at **St Michael's Church every week at 6.30pm** starting this Friday 19th February.
3. Stations of the Cross will be at **St Bernadette's every week at 10.00am**
4. There are also pre-recorded Stations of the Cross from SS Peter & Paul Church. You can pray these any time of the week by going to youtu.be/EA7DVU9innw

Confessions will be available both at St Michael's **and** SS Peter and Paul next Saturday at 11.00am.

Lent Ecumenical Talks on the relationship between Faith and Science. *Our clergy from the Anglican, Methodist and Catholic churches from the City Centre and Penn are providing an Ecumenical opportunity during lent.*

Each Monday Starting on February 22nd 9.00am on www.facebook.com/StPetersChurchWolverhampton which can be watched any time during the day. Then at **4.00pm** there will be a half hour zoom meeting where you can ask questions and discuss the talk. The link to the zoom is <https://tinyurl.com/3bz3rm4l>

Blessed Carlo Acutis Prayer Cards The parish has bought 500 prayer cards to help us all unite in prayer to our new parish patron. They will be available in the porches of each church. Many are not able to attend Church at the moment, so please do take a prayer card to distribute to your fellow parishioners. If you are doing this, please ensure that you sanitise your hands before pass the prayer cards on. We will order more prayer cards as the lockdown begins to relax.

Making Connections in LENT: During lent, if your phone number is on the parish database, a registered parish volunteer will ring you to check if your details are correct and if you would like to have someone ring you occasionally to see that you are ok. The plan is to build up a parish network of occasional phone calls, so that no one is missed out in our parish community. All the volunteers who will be doing the ringing have completed the Safeguarding Parish Volunteer Registration Form.

Online Holy Hours:

Monica's Prayer - Prayer for the conversion of family members and loved ones.

Blesses Carlo Acutis – Contemporary Holy Hour in honour of our patron, Blessed Carlo, ending with night prayer.

St Joseph – Devotions to St Joseph for the Year of St Joseph, followed by a short period of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. This Week's theme: St Joseph, Patron of Fathers. Prayer for Fathers.

Divine Mercy - Divine Mercy devotions at the Hour of Great Mercy, 3pm on Friday.

Children's Liturgy Online Join the **Colour and Shape** community! It is free to join, and you can sign up here:

www.colourandshapeonline.com Please spread the word! **Connect Sunday** - the weekly video based around the Sunday Gospel can be found on the Colour and Shape YouTube channel here: www.youtube.com/c/ColourandShape You can follow **Colour and Shape** on Facebook and Instagram: [@colourandshapeonline](https://www.instagram.com/colourandshapeonline)

Would you like to experience praying the psalms in community online? It might be something to explore in lent. The Lay Community of St Benedict is praying on Zoom at 6.45, 9.00, 18.00 and 21.30 Monday's to Fridays. 9.00 and 18.00 is Lauds and Vespers based on Universalis. 21.30 is the Anglican order of compline. 6.45 in the morning is a short 15 minute time of prayer led each day by a different person which is a short reflection and a time for intercessions. If you are interested, please contact Alain on alain.anderton@gmail.com

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER on Friday 5th March at 7pm. All welcome to join us via Zoom for this amazing annual ecumenical worldwide event. CODES: Meeting ID 88956857208 Passcode 462584. Contact Sarah to RSVP and for order of service/more information 07948963325 sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

ROSARY on Feast of the Annunciation Thursday 25th March at 7pm for all followed by **Catholic Women's League meeting** at 7.30pm(all ladies welcome). ZOOM codes: Meeting ID 82683313632 Passcode 886384 Contact Sarah to RSVP and further info 07948963325 sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

New Website Address! We now have the name of our parish in our website address - www.carloacutis.co.uk and the parish facebook page: [@carloacutisparish](https://www.facebook.com/carloacutisparish). rcwlvest.com will cease to exist in August so please change your settings as soon as possible. Remember also that our email address is now bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

QUIZ NIGHT on St Patrick's Day & for St Joseph's Feast Day Your hosts, the Catholic Women's League, hope to see you for an hour or two of fun and brain teasing! Several categories to enjoy. Why not wear green and have a drink at the ready? ZOOM codes: Meeting ID 84970753602 Passcode 021025 Contact Sarah to RSVP and more details 07948963325 sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

Little Fishes Online A parents, baby and toddler group now to meet online via Zoom Tuesday mornings fortnightly from 10.30am to 11.30am

Chat A chance to chat and share a virtual coffee with other parents

Create Small group creative activities will be offered within the meeting for those interested.

Share Finishing with a story time for all!

If you are interested in joining Little Fishes online, please contact Judith at wolvesdy@gmail.com



Carlos' Coffee Club A new opportunity for anyone over 60 to be part of an online group.

When Tuesday mornings fortnightly. **Where** online via Zoom **Time** from 10.30am to 11.30am

Each fortnight along with the chance to catch up with others whilst sharing a coffee, there will be a guest speaker. If you would like to join, but are uncertain of the technicalities of using Zoom, practical help is available to guide you through the process. All you need is either a mobile phone, tablet, computer or laptop and we can help sort the rest.

Interested? Email Judith at wolvesdy@gmail.com for more details on how to participate.

Carmelite Easter Cards will be on sale at weekend Masses throughout Lent: at St Michael's (in the hall BEFORE Mass); at St Bernadette's (in the porch AFTER Mass) and at SS Peter & Paul (outside church AFTER Mass). Large cards will be priced at £1 and a pack of 5 small cards of the SAME design at £2.50. Please have the correct money with you! Thank you for supporting the work of our Carmelite community.

House Sitter required for elderly gentleman. Would suit retired person or student for 1 day to 5 days to suit. Happy to discuss. Cash paid. 07821141834

Learning More about our Faith

Fr Guy Nicholls' talk: St John Henry Newman Saturday 13th March 10.30 for 10.45 start. Catholic Women's League extend the warmest welcome to all. ZOOM codes: Meeting ID 83129553328 Passcode 105303. Contact Sarah to RSVP and further information 07948963325 sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

Ask a theologian anything you like! Sunday February 28th 1.45pm. Prof. Tom O'Loughlin, Dr Jordan Pullicino, David McLoughlin. Email actabhm@gmail.com

A New Imagination of the Possible: An Update on the Covid 19 Commission from Fr Augusto Zampini-Davies, Adjunct Secretary to the Commission. Wednesday 3rd March 2021 - 19.00. Register via the national ACTA website, <https://www.acalltoaction.org.uk>

Exploring the Directory for Catechesis Conference 2021 Maryvale Institute, on behalf of the **Archdiocese of Birmingham**, is delighted to announce a free, virtual conference that will focus on the new **Directory for Catechesis**. To register: <https://bit.ly/2Z2KqIX> For more info please visit: <https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/conference-2021.html>

- **Session 1, Friday 12th March, 2.00-4.00pm:** *'Dynamic Continuity': The Purpose and Distinctive Emphases of the New Directory*. Speakers confirmed so far: **Archbishop Rino Fisichella** (Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelisation), **Archbishop Bernard Longley**
- **Session 2, Friday 16th April, 2.00-4.00pm:** *Key Emphases/Foci of the New Directory: a Closer Look*. Speakers confirmed so far: **Fr Jan Nowotnik** (Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales and Archdiocese of Birmingham), **Katherine Coolidge** (Catherine of Siena Institute), **Dr Tamra Fromm** (Catholic Biblical School of Michigan and Maryvale Institute), **Sr Hyacinthe Defos du Rau OP** (Dominican Srs of St Joseph and Maryvale Institute)
- **Session 3, Friday 14th May, 2.00-4.00pm:** *Growing in Faith: A Lifelong Journey of Catechesis*. Speakers confirmed so far: **Angela Wood MA** (Maryvale Institute), **Sr Carino Hodder OP** (Dominican Srs of St Joseph), **Lianne Pap** (Archdiocese of Birmingham and Maryvale Institute), Paul Northam (Archdiocese of Birmingham, Beccy Roseman (Kenelm Youth Trust, Archdiocese of Birmingham)

Mission and Outreach

The Food Collection: The Food Collection: We shall be collecting at our usual times of Tuesday 1-2, Thursday and Saturday 10-11, at weekend Masses at St Michael's AND at the 10.15 Mass at SS Peter & Paul, **and now at St Bernadette's**. This week's donations have been delivered to local Penn families. In addition to cereal, UHT milk, tins of meat/fish/vegetables/fruit/rice pudding/custard etc any donations of FRESH FRUIT would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!

CAFOD Lent Appeal: Family Fast Day is this Friday 26th February. The Theme this year is Fresh Water:

Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. Donate online at www.cafod.org.uk/lent or use one of the CAFOD envelopes that you can pick up in Church this weekend and bring back the following week. MANY THANKS.

Petula's CAFOD 'Walk for Water' challenge: I've now signed up to Walk for Water for CAFOD. I'm walking 10,000 steps a day, for 40 days to raise money to help end water poverty. I hope to raise £400. Thank you for whatever you can donate to this cause. Please see notice below: (please circulate if you can). My JustGiving PAGE URL is:

<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/cafods-walk-for-water-challenge>

Mary's Meals has launched an emergency appeal for aid for Tigray in Ethiopia, where millions have been forced to flee their homes as a result of conflict there which has been ongoing since November. The UN has described it as a very severe situation with around 4.5 million people without food and basic supplies and many children separated from their families, living in refugee camps on the borders. Fortunately, Mary's Meals are already established in Ethiopia and were previously feeding 24,230 children in schools every day. This means that Mary's meals have an established and trusted partner agency in the area and are therefore able to get help to those who need it most. In other words, we are already giving aid and saving lives! If you can help, please go to https://giving.marysmeals.org/en_gb/donate-to-ethiopia

Life Charity Shop and Life Outreach for Needy Mums and babies: A big 'thank you' to those who are kindly storing their donations of clothes, books and bric-a-brac for the Life Charity Shop. We'll be glad to accept them when the lock-down is over and the shop is able to open again. Life continues to support local families and at present there is a high need for cots and cot bedding, as well as Moses baskets, pushchairs, baby clothes and other items for young babies. If you can help, please ring Rosalie on 01902 330553 /email wolverhampton@lifecharity.org.uk. If you know of any family needing this kind of support, please suggest they use this email, or ring the free Life National Helpline 0808 802 5433. As well as giving us messages from those in our locality who need practical support, this Helpline offers a confidential listening ear to anyone who is troubled by a pregnancy related matter.

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.

Finances

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for January 2021 was St Michael's £1684.75, St Bernadette's £795.18, SS Peter & Paul £266.00

Offertory Collection for Sunday 14th February 2021

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Second Collection:
Non-Gift Aid	49.76	170.15	36.36	
Gift Aid	205.00	102.00	10.00	

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Pritpal Dhanjal, Paul Green, R. J., Keith Tomlins, David Souberry, Ben Sherry, Holly Burke, Mason Kavanagh, Peter Holmes, Alice Stevens, George Brown, Chris Starkey, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Stephen Briggs, Hilary Elsdon, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Ann Bayley, Peggy McHale, Patrick Quinn, 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: Cath Chamberlain, Jim Deacey, Paula Box, John Owen, Dr Biswanath Dey, Patricia Bamford, Marion Driver (Bunty), Rose Catch, Patricia Byrne, Rose Tully, Anne Middleton. **May they rest in peace.**

Safeguarding Representatives:

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