



THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



**ST MICHAEL,
SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE**

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21st March 2021- Fifth Sunday of the Lent (B)

Timetable of Online Masses and Services.

For Online Masses, go to www.rcwlvwest.com

Saturday Vigil Mass FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT 21st March	5.30 pm St Michael Billy O'Connell RIP (booked seats only) 9.00 St Bernadette Anthony Thomas RIP (booked seats only) 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Chris Walsh RIP (booked seats only) 11.30 St Michael David Blee (booked seats only) 2.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Rite Mass.
Monday 22 nd March	6.30pm St Michael <i>pro populo</i> 8.00 pm Online Holy Hour "Monica's Prayers"
Tuesday 23 rd March National Day of Commemoration for Covid 19	9.30 am Online Mass Peter Paul Jarai RIP 11.30 – 12.30pm SS Peter and Paul open for Private Prayer 1.00pm- 2.00pm St Michael open for Private Prayer 7.30pm- 8.00pm Online Vigil of Prayer for all affected by the Pandemic
Wednesday 24 th March	12.00 Midday St Bernadette Patricia Kelly RIP 12.00 Midday SS Peter & Paul and Online Joe Bate RIP 6.30 pm Stations of the Cross by Zoom tinyurl.com/prx8kfd3
Thursday 25 th March Solemnity of the Annunciation	10.00 am St Bernadette Stations of the Cross 12.00 Midday St Michael Brother Gerard Sullivan (Golden Jubilee) 6.00 pm Online Mass Terry O'Connor RIP 8.00pm Online Holy Hour "Year of St Joseph devotions with Benediction"
Friday 26 th March	9.30am St Bernadette John Hamilton RIP 12.00 Midday SS Peter & Paul & Online John Owen RIP 3.00pm St Peter and Paul and Online Holy Hour with Divine Mercy Devotions 6.30pm St Michael Stations of the Cross
Saturday 27 th March Lent Feria	9.30 am Online Mass Rosalia Finazzo RIP 11.00 am St Michael and SS Peter & Paul Confessions
Saturday Vigil Mass PALM SUNDAY 28th March (Clocks go forward one hour!)	5.30 pm St Michael Peter Paul Jarai RIP (booked seats only) 9.00 St Bernadette Joseph Abbiss RIP (booked seats only) 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Eugene Finnegan RIP (booked seats only) 11.30 St Michael Sandra Adams RIP (booked seats only) 4.00 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.

PLEASE REMEMBER: YOU NEED TO BOOK IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND MASS ON A SATURDAY NIGHT OR SUNDAY. If you discover that you cannot come, please cancel your booking at least 3 hours before the service. Someone else will be most grateful for your place.

Booking places for Sunday Masses:

FOR ST MICHAEL, please email or ring Sr Lydwyn 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 on *Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays* or email judithpitt64@gmail.com

Prayer and Parish Activities

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ARRANGEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE YOU MUST BOOK FOR ANY OF THE MASSES OR SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK.

At St Michael's and at St Bernadette's if you have been expecting to be automatically booked for a Sunday Mass, ***this is not possible for over this period.*** Each Mass or service, whether on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday (including Stations of the Cross), the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday, ***needs to be booked individually.***

The Holy Week Schedule is as follows:

Palm Sunday- normal Saturday Evening and Sunday Mass times.

Maundy Thursday 7.00pm St Bernadette, **7.30pm** St Michael, **8.00pm** SS Peter & Paul.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross. **10.30am** St Bernadette, **Midday** St Michael, **6.30pm** SS Peter & Paul.

3.00pm Solemn Commemoration of the Passion in all three Churches

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil at **8.30pm** in St Michael's (remember no 5.30pm Mass!)

Easter Sunday 9.00am St Bernadette, **10.15am** SS Peter & Paul, **11.30am** St Michael.

Please book your place at these Masses by March 31st Many thanks.

EASTER WEEK

We would like anyone who wants to attend an Easter Mass to be able to do so. Please remember that every Mass in the Easter Week is an Easter Mass. Please do not book for more than one of the Easter Weekday Masses so that others may be able to attend. The Easter Week Masses are as follows:

Easter Monday: St Michael 6.30pm

Easter Tuesday: SS Peter & Paul 9.30am

Easter Wednesday: SS Peter & Paul 9.30am, St Bernadette Midday.

Easter Thursday: St Michael Midday.

Easter Friday: St Bernadette 9.30am SS Peter & Paul Midday.

National Day of Reflection for COVID-19 Tuesday 23rd March 2021 The Bishops of England and Wales have welcomed the designation of Tuesday 23rd March as a National Day of Reflection to mark the anniversary of the first national lockdown with ***a minute's silence at midday*** and ***doorstep vigils of light at 8pm.*** To help with this, SS Peter & Paul will be open for private prayer from 11.30am to 12.30pm, St Michael's 1.00pm -2.00pm, and there will be an online vigil from 7.30pm -8.00pm for parishioners across all three churches. This will conclude with taking a light to your doorstep or window at home at 8.00pm.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation There will be a special Deanery Evening of Adoration and Confessions on **Tuesday 30th March from 6.30pm – 8.00pm** in the following churches: St. Michael's (Penn), St. Anthony's (Fordhouses), St. Christopher's, (Codsall), St. Joseph's (Wolverhampton), Our Lady's (Cannock Road), Ss. Mary & John's (Snow Hill), & St. Patrick's (Heath Town).

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

The Clock's go forward next Sunday 28th March, don't forget!

First Class Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis We have been very privileged to receive a relic of Blessed Carlo's hair for veneration in the parish. This was only made possible by Mgr Anthony Figueiredo who was kindly able to bring it from the Bishop of Assisi whilst visiting his mother in England. Fr Mark was then able to shoot down to Watford on Friday to pick it up for the parish. Considering all the travel restrictions and the fact that Italy has now gone into lockdown, we have been very blessed that it was able to get to us safely. Close veneration of relics is not allowed under the present Covid restrictions, but the relic will be on display on the altar for the live-stream Mass this Sunday and as soon as the restrictions are relaxed, we will be preparing a special event for public veneration. This will enable us to spread the devotion to Blessed Carlo across the country.

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.

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.

St Bernadette's WhatsApp Group Would you like to keep in touch with other members of St Bernadette's Church for any news updates that happen during the week? If so, you can join St Bernadette's WhatsApp group. If you would like to join contact Charles Beare on 07774 693054.

Government Census 2021 If you cannot complete this online you can order a paper copy by ringing 0800 141 2021

Mission and Outreach

Palm Sunday Witness Do you may remember that last year to help us mark Palm Sunday we decorated our front door or window of your living room with a freshly cut branch? We can do the same again this year as a witness to our Easter Faith.

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>

Online Services and Activities

The following services and parish activities can be found by going to our 'Online Services' page of our website www.carloacutis.co.uk

Stations of the Cross

Lent Ecumenical Talks

Online Holy Hours:

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

St Joseph – Devotions to St Joseph for the Year of St Joseph, followed by a short period of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction.

Divine Mercy - Divine Mercy devotions at the Hour of Great Mercy, 3pm on Friday. You are welcome to come in person.

Online Vigil for day of Reflection for Covid 19

Children's Liturgy Online

Praying the psalms together Online

ROSARY on Feast of the Annunciation with the Catholic Womens' League

Little Fishes Online A parents, baby and toddler group

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

Learning More about our Faith

Exploring the Directory for Catechesis Conference 2021.

The Food Collection: The Food Collection takes place at: **St Bernadette's** at all Masses; **SS Peter & Paul** at the 10.15 Mass; **St Michael's** at all Masses AND Tuesday 1-2, Thursday and Saturday 10-11. In addition to UHT milk & cereal; tins of meat/fish/vegetables/ fruit/custard/ rice pudding; toiletries; FRESH FRUIT and EASTER EGGS would be greatly appreciated! This week's donations have been distributed to local families in Pendeford. Thank you.

St Michael's Catholic Primary Academy & Nursery are raising money for Mary's Meals during Lent by throwing / catching a ball 64,000,000 times (to match the number of children suffering from food poverty around the world). The children would love your help please! You can donate catches that you have done (with a ball, a ball of wool, a pair of socks?!) - just call us to let us know how many catches you've managed (01902 556368). If you are able to sponsor the children, please visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stmichaelscatchformeals It only costs £15.90 to feed a child every day FOR A WHOLE YEAR! Just think how many children we could feed if we all donated a little! Many thanks in advance for your catches, your donations and especially your prayers during Lent.

Life Charity Shop and Life Outreach for needy mums and babies: Anyone in the Wolverhampton area needing practical support with items for a baby can reach us via the Life National Helpline 0808 802 5433. This Helpline also offers a confidential listening ear for anyone needing to share their worries about any pregnancy related matter. Life's support for pregnant mums and families with babies and toddlers continues to be in demand locally. We are grateful for donations of baby clothes, cots, pushchairs etc and other recent support from parishioners. If you are able to give any 'baby' items please ring Rosalie on 01902 330553.

It seems likely that our Charity Shop will be able to accept your donations of clothes, bric-a-brac and books again from the middle of April. We thank those who are storing items ready for this time, your patience is 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.

Governments are currently deciding on whether to make permanent the temporary measure allowing 'DIY' home abortions in England, Wales and Scotland. To ensure that politicians are aware of the negative impact of 'DIY' home abortions, the All-Party Parliamentary Pro-Life Group will be hosting a parliamentary event on Tuesday 23 March where experts will cover the latest evidence on how 'DIY' home abortions are placing women at risk. Right To Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool that will enable members of the public to easily contact their MPs asking them to attend this event. You can do so by following the link below. It only takes 30 seconds! www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYabortionMeeting

Finances

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for February 2021: St Michael's £1431.75, St. Bernadette's £680.18 and SS Peter & Paul £ 537.11

Offertory Collection for Sunday 14th March 2021

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Second Collection:
Non-Gift Aid	117.33	285.83	119.78	
Gift Aid	518.00	111.50	12.00	

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: , Margaret Mulligan, Sheila Botwood, 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: Terry O'Connor, Anthony Small, Dan O'Hara, Cath Chamberlain, May they rest in peace.

Safeguarding Representatives: Steve & Chris Callow 01902 340775, Ann Shorthouse 01902 326334

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