

Timetable of Masses and Services.

As it is not possible to to celebrate public Masses or Services, you can join us online at the following times on www.rcwlvwest.com

Saturday 21st March Feria 5.00pm Mass online <i>pro populo</i>
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT 22nd March 11.00am Mass online <i>Seamus O'Dwyer RIP</i>
Monday 23rd March Feria 7.00pm Mass online <i>Brigid Barnett</i>
Tuesday 24th March 12.30pm Penn Cemetery Funeral Service <i>Noreen James RIP</i> 7.00pm Mass online <i>Mary Rowley RIP</i>
Wednesday 25th March Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord 7.00pm Mass online <i>John Arkwright RIP</i>
Thursday 26th March 7.00pm Mass online <i>Jean Long RIP</i>
Friday 27th March Feria 7.00pm Mass online <i>Eugene Finnegan RIP</i>
Saturday 28th March Feria 7.00pm Mass online <i>Gabriel Langan RIP</i>
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 29th March 11.00am Mass online <i>Chris Walsh RIP</i>
<i>Mass at the Carmelite Convent will be celebrated in private until further notice. The sisters continue to pray for us day and night.</i>

THE PARISHES OF ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)

We are living in an unprecedented time where sadly it will not be possible to celebrate public Mass and it will be a challenge to keep the lines of communication open across the parish. Please therefore think of any neighbours you know who might not have access to the internet and print off a copy of this bulletin and post it through their letter box. Most of all, let us pray for each other whenever possible.

Mass online As it is not possible for us to celebrate public Mass together, Fr Mark will be celebrating Mass in the side chapel at SS Peter & Paul. This will be available on the website each day at the times listed on this bulletin. Those Mass intentions that would have been on Sunday Masses will be celebrated on the nearest weekdays. You can participate in these Masses by following the link on the website. For those of you who do not have the internet, it would be lovely if you could pray the Rosary at the time of these Masses.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Sadly it will not be possible for you to take Holy Communion to the sick. Please keep in touch with those you normally visit by telephone and pray with them over the phone.

Volunteering Might you be able help in some way? Some examples are: keeping touch with people by phone, doing shopping for those who are isolated, being on a rota to open your church for prayer or being on a rota to clean the church. If you are interested in any of these and any other ideas you may have, please follow the directions on our website.

Spiritual Communion As it is not possible to receive Holy Communion at this time, it is important to remember the tradition of Spiritual Communion. This is a special prayer to recite at the moment of Holy Communion in the Mass. An example of this prayer is as follows:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Church opening times This week we will be organising rotas so that the Churches can be open for part of the day for private prayer. It is important, however, that people **only come into the church for private prayer** and do not use it as a place to gather and meet with others. Please remember to keep at least six feet away from others to avoid infection. If you want to socialise please use the telephone. If we do not follow these guidelines, Public Health will demand that we close the churches.

The times for SS Peter and Paul this week will be Wednesday 10.30am- 3.30pm and Friday 10.30am to 2.30pm. During this week we will sort out times for St Bernadette's and St Michael's.

We will also be leaving the porch of St Michael's open so that people can still drop off food donations for Outreach4Wolverhampton, the Good Shepherd Ministry and Life. We have chosen this place as it is in the middle of the three churches and has a large porch. Once we have a rota organised we will advertise times when you can drop things off.

Laetare Sunday: Mothering Sunday, 22nd March, a National Day of Prayer and Action. At 7pm this Sunday, place a light or a candle in the windows of your homes as a visible symbol of the light of life, Jesus Christ, our source and hope in prayer. A pink candle would be appropriate but any candle will do.

Support the homeless via *Outreach4Wolverhampton*. A basket will be in the porch at St Michael's. The O4W volunteers would appreciate donations of: coffee; sugar; long life milk; crisps; chocolate; biscuits; hats; gloves; socks; underwear (men - small boxer shorts, ladies - pants, size 8/10/12); roll on deodorants and wet wipes. Thank you!

Life Charity Shop at 12 Lichfield Street :For the present, the shop remains open. We are very grateful for all parishioners' past donations which have helped its success, We hope your help will continue at this difficult time. If you cannot take your donated goods to the shop, or leave them in the usual box when the church is open, please contact Rosalie on 330553 to arrange collection, or delivery to my house. Thank you.

Financial Contributions This is going to be a difficult time for many people but if you are able to continue giving an offering to the church, please consider paying directly into the parish account. Please follow the directions which will be on our website in a couple of days.

Mass intentions if you would like a Mass offered for someone. There will be a form on our website in a couple of days. Please fill in the online form or ring Sr Lydwyn on 01902 341 343.

The prayer of Pope Francis to Our Lady for the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You know what we need, and we are sure that you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen

We flee to your protection, Holy Mother of God. Do not ignore our prayers in our time of need, but from every danger free us always, O glorious, O blessed Virgin.

<i>Finances</i>			
Church	St Michael	SS Peter & Paul	St Bernadette
Gift Aid	£290.00	£142.00	£100.50
Non-Gift-Aid	£269.68	£196.43	£ 47.97
Second Collection: Jean's Breakfast £282.05 St Bernadette's Easter Flower £81.14			

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: June Abbiss, Peter Holmes, Alice Stevens, George Brown, Chris Starkey, Ann Lewis, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Fr David Duggan, Stephen Briggs, Hilary Elsdon, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Mary Lawley, 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: Claire Hallett, Mike Huntbatch, Celia Saddler, Susie Andrews, Noreen James.. **May they rest in peace.**

Safeguarding Representatives:	Steve & Chris Callow (St Michael) 01902 340775, Maria lafigliola (SS Peter and Paul) 07931406866 Ann Shorthouse (St Bernadette) 01902 326334
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