



THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



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

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25th April 2021-FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (year B)

Timetable of Online Masses and Services. *For Online Masses, go to www.carloacutis.co.uk*

Saturday Vigil Mass	5.30 pm St Michael Shirley Burke RIP
Sunday	9.00 am St Bernadette Pro Populo
25th April	10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Aldo Conconi RIP
Booked seats only!	11.30 am St Michael Jaqueline Bradley
	5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy
Monday 26 th April	4.30 pm SS Peter & Paul Vigil Reception Jim Deacey RIP
	6.30pm St Michael Ann Jones (ill)
Tuesday 27 th April	12.45 pm SS Peter & Paul and Online Funeral Mass Jim Deacey RIP
Wednesday 28 th	12.00 Midday Mass St Bernadette's Margaret June Chitty RIP
	1.00 pm SS Peter & Paul and Online Funeral Service Anthony Small RIP
Thursday 29 th	10.00 Holy Hour St Bernadette's
St Catherine of Siena	12.00 Midday St Michael Joy Bamford RIP
Friday 30 th April	9.30 am St Bernadette Peggy Daly
	12.00 Midday SS Peter & Paul and Online Private Intention
	AFTER MASS Divine Mercy Holy Hour SS Peter & Paul and Online
Saturday 1 st May	1.00pm SS Peter & Paul and Online Wedding Okolie (by invitation only)
	Confessions 11.00am at St Michael's
Saturday Vigil Mass	5.30 pm St Michael Tony Penman RIP
Sunday	9.00 am St Bernadette pro populo
2nd May	10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Trudy Gallagher RIP
Booked seats only!	11.30 am St Michael Robert & John Robbins RIP
	5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy
	6.00pm SS Peter & Paul Student Mass Assignments and Exams

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 to book for Saturday Evening and Sunday Masses. If you discover that for some reason, you cannot come, please cancel your booking at least 3 hours before the service. Someone else would be most grateful for your place.

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 on *Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays* or email judithpitt64@gmail.com

At SS Peter & Paul please REMEMBER TO BOOK FOR MASS and to COME EARLY. This is essential at the moment when the stewards are trying to fit the maximum number into the church that is possible under Covid regulations. If we had new volunteers for extra stewards, I would be able to put on a second Mass at SS Peter & Paul's on Sunday Evenings. Without new stewards, however, this will not be possible.

Parish News and Activities

First Holy Communions Please remember in your prayers the children who could not receive their First Holy Communion last year. Small groups of two or three children from SS Peter & Paul's School, St Bernadette's School and St Michael's School will be making their First Holy Communion at Sunday Masses over the next few weeks. ***These will be normal Sunday Masses and only the children and their parents will be booked into these Masses.*** Social distancing will need to be respected afterwards in the car park. We do hope, however, to have a bigger celebration when the restrictions are relaxed.

Praying the Rosary at home in May Next Saturday we begin the month of May. This is traditionally a time when we turn to Mary our Mother in prayer and particularly with the Holy Rosary. To help us this year, the members of the Knights of St Columba in our parish will lead the Rosary for us each Thursday in May at 8.00pm. The idea is that you pray the Rosary at home so this will be online only. Simply go to our "**Watch Live**" page of the Website and join them from your home.

St Michael's Hall and St Bernadette's Hall. Both halls are now reopening with limited capacity because of Covid Regulations. In the next weeks we hope that as regulations are relaxed, we will be able to have greater numbers for events. If you have any enquiries about possible bookings please contact Colin McLoughlin at CPM Services cpm59@hotmail.co.uk or ring 07388 994783

OUR LADY of EVESHAM Virtual Pilgrimage 2021. All welcome at 11am, Tuesday 4th May. Please have a candle to light. Duration approx. 1 hour Service led by Fr Brendan Carrick and Birmingham Branch President of Catholic Women's League, Sarah. Zoom meeting ID 88101673933. Passcode 870675. Enquiries via Sarah - 07948963325. Email: sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

Dangerous email and phone call scams Sadly, we have had some more instances of people attempting to take money by pretending to be one of the parish clergy. Anyone who has advertised their email address or phone number on the bulletin at any time in the past, is vulnerable to this. Fraudsters will search out data from the bulletin and website and then pretend to be a priest asking for money. If ever you receive an email or phone call purporting to be acting on behalf of the parish clergy, please do not respond and report it immediately.

First Holy Communion preparation for children in non-Catholic Schools If you think your child is ready to start preparing for their first Holy Communion but they do not go to a Catholic School, please make contact ASAP via the parish email. Fr Sean and Teresa Scragg will soon be starting the next group for catechesis and formation.

Mission and Outreach

The Alpha Course will be starting soon for those who would like to become Catholic and those who would like to delve more deeply into the core message of the Gospel. Dates will be included in next week's bulletin.

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.

The Food Collection A massive thank you to everyone who has donated food, toiletries and money over the last few very difficult months. Cash donations have been used to buy emergency food supplies (including baby milk powder) and blankets. It has enabled Headteachers to provide struggling families with school uniform, school shoes, PE kit, water bottles and supermarket vouchers. Our collection takes place at the usual times: St Bernadette at all Masses; SS Peter & Paul at the 10.15 Sunday Mass; St Michael at all Masses AND Tuesday 1-2, Thursday and Saturday 10-11. ***Thank you once again.***

Life Charity Shop Re-opening: The shop reopened on Monday 12th April with a lovely range of items. We thank all who have saved goods ready to donate. Small amounts (1 or 2 bags) can be handed in at the shop at any time. Please note that because storage space is limited, the shop can only accept larger amounts on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and that a **delivery slot MUST be booked** in advance. Ring the shop on 01902 420656 to make arrangements. If you can't take items to the shop yourself, they can be collected from you or left at Rosalie's house. Please contact Rosalie on 01902 330553 to make arrangements.

Today is Vocations Sunday

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Vocations Sunday or Good Shepherd Sunday and is marked as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of this day is to fulfil Jesus' instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 9:38). While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates her attention today on raising up shepherds for God's people - vocations to Holy Orders (the priesthood and diaconate) and to the Consecrated life (religious life, secular institutes and various forms of consecrated single life.) - while encouraging all who are discerning their vocation to pray more earnestly that they may hear and respond to God's call.

Our Diocesan Vocations Office produces materials for our parishes, schools and universities to mark this day. Physical copies of posters and prayer cards are sent to parishes and schools in the diocese and digital copies can be downloaded from

<https://www.vocations.org.uk/vocations-sunday>

The Clergy Training Fund

On Vocations Sunday we are not only asked to pray for vocations but also to financially support the training of Priests and Deacons in our diocese. Today's second collection will therefore support our seminarians- men in formation to be our future priests of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. It will also contribute towards the formation of deacons who serve in parishes across our diocese.

As well as the second collection today, there are also leaflets (featuring our own Fr Sean on the front!) which show you how you can support the Clergy Training fund by Standing Order and Gift Aid. Full details are in the leaflet. Please take one to find out more.

Prayer for Vocations Sunday

God our Father,
you call each of us to follow Jesus, your Son,
on the path he has marked out for us -
the way of charity, service and fulfilment.

May the homes and parishes
of the Archdiocese of Birmingham
be blessed with ever-renewed dedication
to the work of building up your kingdom here on earth.

May those whom you call
to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life
faithfully give themselves
to the service of your Church.

Prompted and strengthened by your Holy Spirit,
may I respond generously to the call
to follow you each day and live out my vocation,
to give you glory, for the good of those around me
and for my own happiness.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

Finances

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for March 2021: St Michael's £1439.75 St. Bernadette's £930.18 and SS Peter & Paul £ 443.67

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend for Clergy Training Fund

Offertory Collection for Sunday 18th April 2021

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Second Collection:
Non-Gift Aid	48.30	250.12	25.00	
Gift Aid	86.00	731.00	9.00	

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Teresa Rickards, Antony Cosgrove, 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: Reg Jones, Maura Corbett, Tony Penman, Trudi Gallagher, Terry O'Connor, Anthony Small. May they rest in peace.

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