

Saturday 25th January Conversion of St Paul <b>Sunday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael</b> <i>Mary Landers RIP</i>	
<b>SUNDAY OF THE WORD 26th January</b>	
<b>9.00am St Bernadette</b> <i>Pro populo</i> <b>10.15am SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> <i>Angelo &amp; Bianca Coppola</i> <b>11.30am St Michael's</b> <i>Ben Woolley RIP</i> <i>5.00pm SS Peter &amp; Paul Adoration and Vespers</i> <b>7.00pm SS Peter and Paul University Mass</b> <i>In Thanksgiving</i>	
Monday 27th January Feria	
5.30pm St Michael <i>Vigil Reception Christopher Bossey RIP</i> <i>Vespers at 6.10pm St Michael</i> 6.30pm St Michael <i>Holy Souls</i>	
Tuesday 28th January Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas	
9.30am St Bernadette <i>As announced</i> 12.00pm St Michael Funeral Mass <i>Christopher Bossey RIP</i> 5.30pm St Michael <i>Vigil Reception Mary McNulty RIP</i>	
Wednesday 29th January Feria	
8.00am St Edmund's School <i>Bridie Hannon RIP</i> 11.00am St Michael Funeral Mass <i>Mary McNulty RIP</i>	
Thursday 30th January Feria	
12.00pm St Michael <i>Gerry McCormack RIP</i>	
Friday 31st January Memorial of St John Bosco	
11.00am St Michael Funeral Mass <i>John Arkwright RIP</i> 12.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Beryl Hilda Pratt RIP</i> 2.00pm Bushbury Crematorium <i>Funeral Service Jim McVeigh RIP</i>	
Saturday 1st February Feria	
<i>Confessions 11.00-11.30am at St Michael's</i> 1.30pm SS Peter & Paul Wedding Service <i>Siobhan Robinson &amp; Daniel North</i> <b>Sunday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael</b> <i>Mary Rowley RIP</i>	
<b>Fourth Sunday of the Year 2nd February</b>	
<b>9.00am St Bernadette</b> <i>Holy Souls</i> <b>10.15am SS Peter &amp; Paul</b> <i>Michael &amp; Nora Cotter and Norah Morris RIP</i> <b>11.30am St Michael's</b> <i>Doreen Cartwright RIP</i> <i>5.00pm SS Peter &amp; Paul Adoration and Vespers</i> <b>7.00pm SS Peter and Paul University Mass</b> <i>Pro populo</i>	
<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	
Monday 7pm - 8pm St Michael's Chapel	Thursday 9.30-10.30am St Bernadette's
2nd Tuesday 2pm - 3pm St Bernadette's	Friday: 4pm - 5pm St Michael's Chapel
Wed 7.30pm- 8.30pm St Michael's Chapel	Saturday 10.30-11.30 St Michael's Church

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### Sunday of the WORD (year A)

**THIS SUNDAY IS THE "SUNDAY OF THE WORD"** Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, "*Aperuit illis*", published last September, establishes that "*the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God*". It is appropriate, therefore, that all our readers be commissioned each year at this Mass.

***If you are a reader at any Mass, please come up to the altar after the homily this weekend to be commissioned.*** The only response you will need say at this ceremony is 'Amen'.

**Timeline of the Hebrew Scriptures (the Old Testament)** For the ***Year of the Word*** in each church we have a set of pictures of some of the main characters of the Hebrew Scriptures from The Bible. The more we get to know these characters and their stories, the more we will come to know Jesus Christ. They will be blessed at Mass this weekend and then will be put up around the Church this week for the year ahead.

**Monday is the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz and it is also Holocaust Memorial Day.** In cities and towns across the United Kingdom, events will be held to mark this milestone in human history and to express the hope that such evil may never happen again. There is a special service at the cenotaph in Wolverhampton at 11.00am. ***Our Timeline of the Hebrew Scriptures around the church will remind us that the most sacred texts in Judaism are also most sacred to us.*** The Catholic Church, therefore, condemns all forms of anti-semitism.

### **Prayer for the year of the Word**

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.  
Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears  
and shows us how to live for one another.  
Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds  
so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. AMEN

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light. R. **This day and every day.**  
Our Lady of the Annunciation, **Pray for us,**  
St Matthew **Pray for us**  
St Jerome **Pray for us**

**Many Thanks to Everyone who worked so hard for the Burns night Celebration!** It was a wonderful occasion and it was so lovely to see so many parishioners from all our three churches working together and enjoying each others company.

**BORN FOR THIS** is a moving and powerful depiction of the Stations of the Cross in words, music and drama with songs and music by Jo Boyce. ***All young people from our deanery are invited to take part in a performance on Saturday 28th March 2020.*** So if you love singing, acting, narrating or play a musical instrument, or can help with props and staging come and join us this year! For more information please contact Judith at [wolvesdy@gmail.com](mailto:wolvesdy@gmail.com) or come along to our next rehearsal at SS Peter & Paul Church at 7pm on Wednesday 29th January. ***This Wednesday!***

**First Holy Communion and Reconciliation 2020** If your child is in year 3 or above and ***not in a Catholic School*** and you would like them to receive these sacraments, please fill in an application form (available in the porch) and then come to a meeting on Sunday 2nd February at St Michael's Church at 12.30pm (after the 11.30am Mass)

**Sunday after-Mass coffees at St Michael's.** Volunteers old and new welcome to add name/contact details to the Rota in the kitchen, please. See or call Sarah 07948963325. Thank you all.

**Volunteers needed for cleaning team at SS Peter & Paul** on Thursdays 9am - 11 am. Details from Mary or Kath or come to side entrance on Thursday.

**Mass Intentions** If you would like to book a Mass please use the envelopes provided. We have a limited number of Masses in our parish so please try to book well in advance. Thank-you.

**Support in Loss and Bereavement.....** Please see the posters in the back of each Church for further details of professional help that is at hand.

**Lectio**, (an opportunity to explore the Sunday readings) has restarted.. We meet at 11.15 am before the Midday Mass at SS Peter & Paul on Fridays

**Carmel Chapel** Mass daily at 9.00am apart from Tuesday at 4.30pm  
Vespers and Benediction Sunday 4.30pm

**MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGES APRIL - OCT 2020:** 7 Night Stay and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €266 per person sharing. Book any flight - any time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle service. Call us for further info and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 020 3239 8662 or email [reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com).

### **Finances...**

Church	St Michael	SS Peter & Paul	St Bernadette
Gift Aid	£366.20	£187.00	£170.00
Non-Gift-Aid	£330.48	£166.68	£93.68
<b>Pax Christi</b>	£443.24		

### **Rotas...**

<b>Counting Teams</b>	SS Peter and Paul St Michael	(C) Theresa, Maureen, Mary (E) C Starkey, R Starkey (F) M McClure, S Barretto
<b>Cleaners</b>	St Michael St Bernadette	M Collins, W Wozmirska, R Wozmirska G. Porter & A Thomas

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: June Abbiss**, Peter Holmes, Alice Stevens, George Brown, Claire Hallett, Chris Starkey, Tom Kirkpatrick, Ann Lewis, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Fr David Duggan, Stephen Briggs, Hilary Elsdon, Fr Dawid Piskorz, 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:** Mary Rowley, Jim McVeigh, Sandra Treanor, Seamus O'Dwyer, Thomas Kirkpatrick, Mary Landers, Olive Reilly, Nora McKennagh, Edith Dodd, Carl Winter, Bridget Hannon. **May they rest in peace.**

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