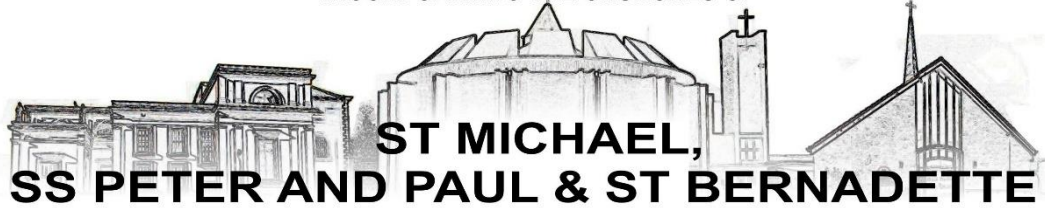




THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

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Timetable of Online Masses and Services 27th November 2022

For Online Masses, go to www.carloacutis.co.uk

SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm St Michael *Tony McDonagh RIP*
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *Hubert Kelly RIP*
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Michael Moroney RIP*
 11.30 am St Michael *Martyn Leek RIP*
 5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

Monday 28th November Advent Feria

5.45pm St Michael-Adoration in the Lady Chapel
 6.30pm St Michael *Pro populo*

Tuesday 29th November Advent Feria

9.30am SS Peter & Paul *Holy Souls*

Wednesday 30th November Feast of St Andrew, Apostle

9:30am St Bernadette *Private Intention*
 7.00pm St Michael-Confirmation Mass

Thursday 1st December Feast of St Edmund Campion, Priest, Martyr

10.00 am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
 12.00pm St Michael *Vlade Luzajic RIP*

Friday 2nd December Advent Feria

9.30am St Bernadette-Mass with School *Mary Abbiss RIP*
 12.00pm SS Peter & Paul *Holy Souls*
 12.30pm SS Peter & Paul-Divine Mercy Devotion
 1.00pm St Michael *Funeral Service Michael Horobin RIP*

Saturday 3rd December Memorial of St Francis Xavier, Priest

10.30am St Michael *Adoration*
 11.00am St Michael *Confessions*
 12.00pm SS Peter & Paul *Mass for Prisoners Holy Souls*

SUNDAY 4th December SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm St Michael *Neville Pope*
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *Barry Wignall RIP*
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Nicola & Gigliola lafigliola*
 11.30 am St Michael *Pro populo*
 5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

THE CARMELITE MONASTERY Mass is every morning at 9.00am.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE In line with Diocesan safeguarding regulations, children of primary school age must be accompanied by an adult if they need to leave the church to use the toilets during Mass or other Church services. Thank you for your help in keeping our children safe.

Prayer and Formation

LEGION OF MARY meets in the Guild Room every Sunday after the 10.15am Mass at SS Peter & Paul, All welcome!

PRAYER GROUP at SS Peter & Paul the "**Divine Light Prayer Group**" meets every Sunday after 10:15am Mass. Come along and join us in our Praise and Worship. All Welcome.

LAY ASSOCIATES OF SISTERS OF ST ANN KNOWN AS THE LASA PRAYER GROUP meets on **Tuesdays at 5.00pm** in the Lady Chapel at St Michael's Church. We welcome new members.

SHEKINAH PRAYER GROUP will meet in the Lady Chapel at St Michael's every Friday for the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.30pm to 7.00pm. All welcome.

JOURNEY IN FAITH Every Monday evening after the 6.30pm Mass at St Michael's.

ST EDMUND'S WEEKLY MASS 8.30 AM MONDAYS Parents and parishioners may join this Mass *in term time*. Please arrive by 8.25 am and gather in the school foyer. You will then be led to the chapel for the start of Mass at 8.30am.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT In 2011, the Catholic bishops of England and Wales called on congregations to return to foregoing meat on Fridays. Only around a quarter of Catholics changed their dietary habits – yet this still saved over 55,000 tonnes of carbon a year, according to a new study led by the University of Cambridge!

Researchers say that, in terms of CO2 emissions, this is equivalent to 82,000 fewer people taking a return trip from London to New York over the course of a year.

As Advent begins next week, a time of new beginnings, why not take up the call to refrain from meat on Fridays? As a penitential act, it is a way of uniting ourselves with Christ on the day of his passion and uniting ourselves with Christ in the poor who cannot afford meat, and as a small act of Living Simply to help reduce carbon emissions for the sake of the planet.

CHILDREN'S PREPARATION FOR RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION Classes for children in year 3 or above who are not in Catholic Schools will be starting in January. There will be two enrolment Masses on **Sunday 15th January**, one at SS Peter and Paul's and the other at St Michael's. From next week there will be registration forms available in each church for you to pick up. These need to be handed in to one of the priests well before January 15th.

News and Activities

ADVENT WALK WITH ME booklets are at the back of the church. Please ensure that you pick up your copy and use it for personal prayer and reflection during the season of Advent as a preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus, the Saviour at Christmas. £1.00 recommended towards the printing cost. Thank you.

CANDLELIT RORATE MASS 7.00 am SATURDAY 17th DECEMBER SS PETER & PAUL This is a beautiful quiet reflective early morning Mass of Our Lady to help us prepare our hearts for the coming of the Saviour at Christmas. It will be followed by **bacon rolls and hot drinks in Giffard House**. If you would like to stay for the refreshments, please sign up on the sheet in the porch of each church.

ADVENT PREPARATIONS AT HOME An ideal way to prepare for the true spirit of Christmas is to gather at home and celebrate the Advent Feast. Some of you experienced this in the hall at St Michael's a few years ago but it is intended that this is something you can do yourself at home. All the instructions for how to celebrate the Advent Feast can be found by downloading the booklet from our website on the **Online Mass and Activities page**.

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY On the weekend of Sunday 11th December we shall be blessing cribs at the end each of the weekend Masses. These blessings will be both for the 'baby Jesus' figures that children have made, and your full crib sets before you put them up at home.

ADVENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Remember that confessions are available each Saturday morning at 11.00 am at St Michael's and after the Friday Midday Mass at SS Peter & Paul. There will also be a special opportunity for confessions before Christmas on **Tuesday Evening 20th December from 6.30pm to 8.00pm**. This will be at St Michael's and some other churches in the deanery. More details to follow next week.

SERVICE OF CAROLS AND READINGS To prepare for Christmas, why not Join Fr Mark at St Peter's Collegiate Church in the City centre on Monday 19th December at 6.30pm? Mass has been moved to midday on that Monday, so that, as many of us as possible, can attend the Carol Service.

BLESSED CARLO PARISH FAMILY CHRISTMAS DISCO at St Michael's Church Hall on Sunday 11th December 4pm-6pm. All welcome. Drinks and nibbles available.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL If you would like to nominate new members for the council, please speak to them to see if they are willing to stand and then contact Fr Mark to nominate them. We will be having new elections in January. Many thanks.

SYNDODAL PATH DISCUSSION - MUSIC AT MASS We had a great meeting on Thursday with over 15 people in attendance representing all three church communities. There will be a report from this discussion available next week. Many thanks to all who attended, it was a very positive meeting.

THE SVP CHRISTMAS LUNCH will be held at St Michael's on Wednesday the 7th December at 12 noon. The menu will be Fish Chips and Peas from Merryhill Chippy with bread and butter followed by Coffee/Tea and Desserts. The cost will be £5 per person non-refundable as we have to confirm the order by November 30th. If you would like to attend, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of Church by this date. If you have any questions, please speak to David Spinks, Eileen Gallier or Pam Marson. Sign up and payment **must** be completed by Monday November 28.

WEEKLY ROSARY - the weekly Rosary that was prayed each Saturday in October before the 5.30pm Mass at St Michael's was well received and Fr Mark and our parishioners have asked if this can be a regular feature of our weekly worship. To make this happen we need volunteers to lead each Rosary so if you would like to do this please send me your name so we can put a rota in place. Either email me at David.spinks1949@gmmail.com or text me at 075960402.

PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR 2023 We would like to set out a calendar for next year so that everyone knows when parish events will be taking place, such as a parish barbecue or a pilgrimage or a fund-raising event. Please would all parish groups email bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk with their planned events for 2023, as soon as possible, so that we can avoid unnecessary clashes. Many thanks, Fr Mark

LITTLE ANGELS STAY & PLAY GROUP (0-5 years). Fridays 09-15-11.00 in St Michael's Church Hall. Run by parishioners for the parish and community families. Warm welcome awaits, with unlimited drinks, plenty of toys and craft table, fresh fruit - all for only £1.50. Further info from Sarah - 07948 963325

EPIPHANY CONCERT WITH WULFRUNA LADIES CHOIR. Saturday 7th January at 2.30pm at St Michael's. The Catholic Women's League warmly invite all ages to their traditional concert for charity. Free entry. Raffle and refreshments available. Details from Sarah - 07948 963325

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 27th March 2023. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Mission and Outreach

ECUMENICAL CHRISTMAS WALK OF WITNESS 3.00pm Saturday 17th December #Follow the Star Wolverhampton

A family friendly Walk of Witness beginning at St John's in the Square Church at 3pm and ending at St Peter's Church, stopping along the way to tell the story of Joseph and Mary and the birth of Jesus.

Everyone is invited - come and be part of it. Bring a lantern and join in the celebration of the Christmas Story.

(LED lights only please) There will be Alpacas joining us too! And look out for details of lantern making workshops...

Please can we have volunteers to do readings and volunteers for stewarding? Please let Fr Mark know as soon as possible.

CHRISTMAS POSTERS - the KSC are providing Keep Christ in Christmas posters for us all to display at our homes. These posters will be available in our three church entrances from Advent Sunday. Please take as many as you need to keep alive the true message of Christmas.

Life Charity Shop and Life Caring Outreach Many thanks for all the donations of clothes, bric-a-brac, books etc placed recently in the boxes at St Bernadette's and St Michael's. If your items are bulky and you can't get them to church or to the shop at **12 Lichfield Street**, please ring Rosalie on 330553 to arrange collection. Please also ring Rosalie if you have baby/toddler clothes or pushchairs etc for our outreach team to hand on to the mums who need our help.

CAFOD World Gifts: Give a gift of hope this Christmas :In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/> or pick up a [World Gifts](#) catalogue in church. World Gifts such as "super soup kitchens", "trees for life", or "water for a family" will help transform lives in a world filled with challenges.

THE FOOD COLLECTION continues at all three churches. We continue to welcome donations of FOOD (dried and tinned only please), TOILETRIES, ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS and HOT WATER BOTTLES. There is NOW a huge need to get supplies into local primary schools. Any of the listed items that you can spare are massively appreciated. This week's donations were distributed by SS Mary & John Catholic Primary Academy Thank you so much for your continued support. **Many thanks to Wolverhampton Rotary Club** for awarding us a grant of £500. Supermarket vouchers will be purchased and sent into five primary schools where they will be distributed to 'Free School Meal' families.

THE NEXT FARESHARE at St Michael's Church Hall is on Wednesday November 30th at 1.45pm. FareShare is a UK charity that redistributes good quality, surplus food to community groups. If you, or your neighbour, could do with a little support in these difficult times, please bring a bag and take some free food!

The Ukrainian Community Centre is very grateful for the nightwear you kindly donated in response to their appeal that has now closed. Thank you once again for your help.

A local Ukrainian family require the following items; 3 single beds, wardrobes, chest of drawers, bookshelves, duvets and pillows, kitchen pans and tableware. If you can help, please contact Liz 07875245165.

THE PARISH NEEDS NEW YOUTH LEADERS Training for volunteers in parish youth ministry begins in January. This course is for any volunteer who has been invited by or spoken with their parish priest about supporting youth provision. Please consider this opportunity and speak to Fr Mark. It is an excellent course led by experienced staff with a wealth of knowledge in ministry. It meets once a week on Wednesdays via zoom with one in-person Saturday session. The course starts Wednesday January 11th, 2023 7 pm - 9 pm. To read the course outline and list of dates and times please go to www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/bcysbethsaida.html

RECYCLED PRINT CARTRIDGES - thanks to your support we have raised over £300 during the last 2 years for SVP funds. Please bring your old cartridges and put in the special boxes in each church entrance. Ask your family and friends to give you any they have so we can raise more money to help those in need as well as helping the environment by recycling the old cartridges.

Finance

200 CLUB Subscriptions now due. Could you please bring in your annual subscription of £12 along with your card and give to one of the sisters at St Michael's and to W A Finnegan in SS Peter & Paul's church. Thank-you.

200 Club Draw Winner of October SS Peter & Paul No. 48 Margarita Finnegan

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS will be out on sale this weekend. £2.00 for a book. Could you ensure that you collect your books. All proceeds will be towards the heating in our three churches. Thank you for your support.

SECOND COLLECTION Weekend 3rd /4th December: Poor Parishes Fund

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 20th November 2022

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	329.50	316.15	77.22	61.00		783.87
Gift Aid	10.00	93.00	137.00	35.00		275.00
Second Collection	Catholic Youth Service £307.58					
Standing Order for October 2022: £ 4606.76						

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH: Jean Cooper, Krystyna Schlenker, Pat Noad, Peter James Burke, Sheila Powell, Sheila Percy, Margaret Ambler, Rose Curtis, Margaret Gay, Maurice Gay, Audrey Pope, Eileen Whittall, Josephine Mann, Tony Wyr, Anna McGrath, Richard Rogers, Shirley Deffis Whitaker, Andy Hyatt, Mary Hill, Johnny Burke, Charles Halldron, Marjorie Halldron, Ben McKearney, Philomena Labdy, Steve Kavanagh, Fr John Lungley, Antony Cosgrove, Sheila Botwood, Pritpal Dhanjal, Paul Green, R. J, Holly Burke, Peter and Margaret Holmes, M Mary, Stephen Briggs, Katherine Poole, Ann Bayley, Patrick Quinn, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Leah Nixon, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Helen Porter, Brendan Bleakley

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Terry Carey, Neville Pope, Vittorio Lombardi. **May they rest in peace.**

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