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

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### Timetable of Online Masses and Services 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023

For Online Masses, go to [www.carloacutis.co.uk](http://www.carloacutis.co.uk)

#### 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Saturday Vigil** 5.30pm St Michael *Bernadette Davey RIP*  
**SUNDAY** 9.00 am St Bernadette *Alan Willetts 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday*  
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Pat Clarke RIP*  
 11.30 am St Michael *Phyllis & Michael Hawley – 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary*  
 5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January Feria  
 5.45pm St Michael-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 6.30pm St Michael *Pro populo*

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest  
 9.30am SS Peter & Paul *Sean Leer RIP*

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February Feria  
 9.30am St Bernadette *Hilary Elsdon RIP*

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February Feast of the Presentation of the Lord  
 10.00 am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
 6.30pm St Michael *Mary Sweeney RIP*

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February Feria  
**NO MASS AT SS PETER & PAUL TODAY**  
**Deanery Vocations Holy Hour at SS Mary & John at 11.00am**  
**Deanery Vocations Mass at SS Mary & John at 12.00pm**

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February Feria  
*No Adoration this Saturday*  
 11.00am St Michael *Confessions*

#### 5<sup>th</sup> February 2023 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Saturday Vigil** 5.30pm St Michael *Carolina Dins Juliao*  
**SUNDAY** 9.00 am St Bernadette *Pro populo*  
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Ray O'Gorman*  
 11.30 am St Michael *William, Dominic, Patrick & Mary McGrath, Fr Woodward & John Corbett*  
 5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

THE CARMELITE MONASTERY Daily Mass at 9.00 am

**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.

## News and Activities

**ROSARY on ZOOM.** All welcome at 7.30pm on Wednesday 1st February to join together on the vigil of the Feast of the Presentation or Candlemas. Code- Meeting ID: 823 3168 3577

Passcode: 30ggcw Continuation code (for friendly chat)- Meeting ID: 896 8458 1283, Passcode: L69k19

**THE FEAST OF PRESENTATION or CANDLEMAS 6.30pm at St Michael's Thursday February 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Mass is for all the parish. Please bring any candles that you use for prayer, so that they can be blessed at this special feast. Mass begins with the blessing of candles and then proceeds with a candlelit procession into church. It is also the **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE.** We give thanks for the Religious and members of Consecrated Life who serve in our parish, not forgetting the sisters in the Carmelite Monastery who pray for us daily.

**FEBRUARY - DEANERY VOCATIONS PROMOTION MONTH** The Feast of the Presentation is a great way for us to begin our month of prayer for vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. We are marking this with a **Celebration for Vocations at SS Mary & John's on Friday February 3<sup>rd</sup>.** This starts with a **Holy Hour from 11.00am.** followed by **Mass at Noon** and there will be a social event afterwards in the hall. All the religious of the deanery will be invited to this event and at the end of the social, we would like to launch a Vocation Promotion Group. This would consist of a couple of parishioners from each parish who would join the group. This group would primarily pray for vocations, but would also organise events. If you would like to volunteer to be one of our parish reps, please contact Fr Mark. Many thanks.

**SAVE OUR FUTURE** On Saturday February 4th, in St Michael's Hall, at 3.30pm there will be a showing of the new film: **'THE LETTER'**, fronted by Pope Francis, with leaders of marginalised groups throughout the world, illustrating the dangers from climate change and guiding us as to what we can do about it as Catholics. The film lasts just over an hour and will be followed by refreshments and an opportunity to discuss the film.

**FLAME 2023 Catholic Youth Festival** – Saturday 4th March – Ages 14-22 - A Day filled with fun as well as faith along with thousands of young Catholics from all across the UK at Wembley Stadium in London. If you would like to go, please let Fr Sean Gough know as soon as possible, 6th Feb at the latest (fr.sean.gough@rcaob.org.uk). Find out more on the flame website (cymfed.org.uk/flame). Cost inc. transport is £35 & bursaries are available if you need help financially. If you're over 18 and have a DBS check and would be willing to help as volunteer, please let Fr Sean know.

**PARISH EVENTS 2023 please** put the following important events in your diary:

- **11th February** at 3pm in St Michael's Church Hall. **RNLI Talk** All welcome. Free entry. Raffle and refreshments. Do join us with friends. Details from Margaret: 01902 620909 \*
- **25th March** Saturday 6.30pm for 7pm start. **Family charity skittles night!** (bowling optional) bring your own supper/snacks and drink. Raffle and refreshments.\*
- **7th April** at 1pm Good Friday in St Michael's Church Hall. **Soup lunch for Cafod** Homemade soup donations welcome. Please let Sarah know in advance.\*
- **29th April** Saturday 2pm-4.30pm in St Michael's Church Hall **Spring Charity Craft Fayre.\***
- **13th May** in St Michael's Church Hall at 2.30pm. **Charity Coronation Concert & Afternoon Tea** with the West Midlands Concert Band. \*
- **14th May** at 3.00pm. **Pilgrimage to our shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes** at St Bernadette's, Wombourne.
- **June** (dates to be confirmed) **Holy Shroud Exhibition** in SS Peter & Paul Church.
- **25th June** at 1.00pm **Parish Barbecue** in the grounds of St Michael's Church.
- **25th/ 26th/ 27th July Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham**
- **9th September** at 12.00 noon at St Michael's, **Mass for Anointing of the Sick.**
- **16th September** St Michael's Hall, **Craft Fayre.**
- **15th October** at 1.00pm at St Michael's Hall. **'Bring and Share'** to celebrate the **Feast of Blessed Carlo.** His relic will visit each Church that weekend.
- **5th November** at 12.00 noon at St Michael's, **Mass for deceased members of the parish in the past year.**
- **November 11th Autumn Fayre** in Wombourne.
- **November 11th** in the evening, performance of **Rachmaninov's Vespers** at SS Peter & Paul Church
- **November 25th Christmas Fayre** in St Michael's Hall with the draw of the parish Christmas Raffle.

\* Denotes Catholic Women's League event. Details from Sarah 07948 963325

**HELP NEEDED PLEASE AT ST MICHAEL'S** We need help to set up and serve after-Mass teas & coffees for charity after 11.30am mass on Sundays. Rota system in place covering 2-3 Sundays per month. Contact Sarah: 07948 963325 [sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk)

**LITTLE ANGELS STAY & PLAY GROUP** every Friday 9.15-1.00am. (Ages 0-5) Only £1.50. A warm welcome awaits. Contact Sarah: 07948 963325 for information.

**ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY** is seeking to appoint to the post of **Curriculum Leader of Religious Education**. For more information or to access application forms, please visit their website [www.stedmunds.org](http://www.stedmunds.org) or please telephone the St Francis and St Clare Catholic MAC recruitment line 01902 558709.

### **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY'S SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM 25th/ 26th/ 27th July 2023**

A wonderful opportunity for our three churches to join together for a Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham with Father Mark as our Spiritual Leader. We will travel by coach which will remain with us throughout our stay to assist with transportation for those a little less able. Accommodation will be at the Pilgrim Bureau in Little Walsingham and rooms available will be a mix of single, double and triple rooms, so some sharing may be necessary.

The cost is £250.00 per person and includes travel, accommodation and dinner and bed & breakfast for 2 nights.

If you would like to join us, please put your name and contact details on the form at the back of each church or call Steve Callow 01902 340775

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## *Mission and Outreach*

**SECRETARY NEEDED BY THE SVP** The St Vincent De Paul Society District Council in Wolverhampton meet every two months to oversee and support the work of the conferences and need someone to take and distribute minutes for these meetings. This would be the only commitment so they would become an 'auxiliary member' of the SVP. This role is voluntary and would suit someone who is computer literate and able to multitask. Could that be you? If you would like to be considered or for more information, please contact Eliz Hopkins, Wolverhampton District President on 0786 867 7863 or email [secretaryF021402@svp.org.uk](mailto:secretaryF021402@svp.org.uk)

**LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH** Please continue to leave your donations of adult and children's clothes, bric-a-brac etc in the boxes at St Michael's and St Bernadette's. If you are giving heavy or bulky items and can't take them to church or to the shop at 12 Lichfield St, we can arrange to collect them. Please ring Rosalie on 01902 330553. Donations of baby clothes and equipment such as pushchairs are always welcome. Some such items will be sold by our shop to boost funds, others will be given by our Caring Outreach service to the many local needy families who seek our help.

**NATIONAL RETHINK ABORTION TRAINING DAY** Organised by March 4 Life on Sat 4th Feb at St Mary's College, Oscott. This is an interactive event aimed at equipping people to talk about abortion in a meaningful and productive way in their everyday life. The day will include:

- A series of educational sessions aimed at equipping participants to deal with real life scenarios.
- Interactive role plays that will help you talk about abortion with those around you in a meaningful way.
- A variety of top speakers who will help you to clarify your own pro-life beliefs, so you become more articulate and effective in communication.

Full details can be found on our webpage <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/re-think-abortion-day>

There will be a hot lunch provided along with refreshments throughout the day. The day runs 10am - 5pm, although for those who are of the Catholic faith there will be a Mass at 9.00am before the day starts. All of this for only £25 per head. Attendees must be aged 16 or over. Under 18s must let us know their age when they book. Those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

**THE FOOD COLLECTION** Would you consider donating just a couple of tins/jars of food at one of our churches on a regular basis please? The schools and individuals who receive them are so appreciative. The demand for food parcels continues to outstrip the supply at our main food banks. This has been the case for many weeks. This week's donations have been shared between vulnerable families whom 'The Well' was unfortunately unable to help. Thank you so much.

**200 CLUB** Subscriptions were due in January. Thanks to all those who have paid in. If you have not paid yet, could you please bring in your annual subscription of £12 along with your card and give to Sr Lydwyn at St Michael's and to W A Finnegan in SS Peter & Paul's church. Thank-you.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023**

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
<b>Non-Gift Aid</b>	343.61	35.50	74.19	78.00		531.30
<b>Gift Aid</b>		318.12	17.00	43.00		378.12
<b>Second Collection:</b>						
Standing Order for December 2022: £ 4121.25						

*Regular Prayer Opportunities*

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS** will be taking place after Sunday Masses at SS Peter & Paul after Easter.

**PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP** will meet once a month on a Thursday from 6.30pm -7.30pm at St Bernadette's Church, Wombourne. St Padre Pio bore the STIGMATA and his life was dedicated to the poor, the sick and the suffering. Through the sacrament of reconciliation, he brought many souls back to God. Through the Padre Pio Prayer Groups, which are now worldwide, render similar service through prayer and penance in winning souls for Christ. All are welcome. For more information, contact Tina Abbiss on 07970196224 or email [tina.abbiss59@hotmail.com](mailto:tina.abbiss59@hotmail.com)

**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.

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH:** Rodney McKinney, Elizabeth Firth, George Renkevic, Michael Foley, Ray O'Gorman, Pat Noad, Peter James Burke, Sheila Powell, Sheila Percy, Margaret Ambler, Rose Curtis, Margaret Gay, Maurice Gay, Audrey Pope, Eileen Whittall, Josephine Mann, Tony Wyer, Anna McGrath, Richard Rogers, Shirley Deffis Whitaker, Andy Hyatt, Mary Hill, Johny 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:** Jill Edwards, Marie Chestnut, Stephen Macari, Bernard Duggan, Francis McMahon, Sean Leer **May they rest in peace.**

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