



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 3rd April 2022

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

SUNDAY 3rd APRIL FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT. PASSIONTIDE begins today

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm St Michael *Pro populo*
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *John Crake RIP*
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Trudy Gallagher RIP*
 11.30 am St Michael *Harry Bayley RIP*
 5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy
 6.00pm SS Peter & Paul *Private Intention (last Student Mass until after Easter)*

Monday 4th April Feria in Passiontide

5.45 pm St Michael Adoration in the Lady Chapel
 6.30 pm St Michael Sally Bayliss

Tuesday 5th April Feria in Passiontide

9.30 am SS Peter & Paul online *David Blee*

Wednesday 6th April Feria in Passiontide

11.30 am St Bernadette *Stations of Cross*
 12.00 noon St Bernadette *Mary Kirby RIP*

Thursday 7th April Feria in Passiontide

10.00 am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
 12.00 noon St Michael *Austin & Jessie Bayley RIP*

Friday 8th April Feria in Passiontide

9.30am St Bernadette *Mass & Confessions Private Intention*
 11.30 am SS Peter & Paul *Stations of the Cross*
 12.00 noon SS Peter & Paul *Private Intention*
 12.30 *Divine Mercy Devotion*
 6.30 pm St Michael *Stations of the Cross*
 7.00 pm St Michael *Private Intention*

Saturday 9th April Feria in Passiontide

10.30am-11.30am St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
 10.30 am St Michael *Confessions*

SUNDAY 10th April PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm St Michael *Private Intention*
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *Mary Kirby RIP*
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Ellen Finnegan*
 11.30 am St Michael *Private Intention*
 5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy

Parish News and Activities

SUNDAY EVENING STUDENT MASS Please remember that this does not continue in the holiday periods. There is NO SUNDAY EVENING MASS NEXT SUNDAY. The next Sunday Evening Mass will be two weeks after Easter on Sunday 1st May.

LEGION OF MARY One of our new parishioners, Chidi Oliseowe, is very keen to start a Legion of Mary group within the parish. *The First Meeting will be after the 10.15am Mass on April 3rd in the Guild Room.* If you would be interested in joining, please contact him on gabbychidi@gmail.com All are welcome.

OPTIONAL LENT GATHERING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Wednesday 6th April 7.00pm - 9.00pm St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Willenhall Road, Wolverhampton. WV1 2QN Led by Rev. Deacon Michael McKearney. The programme is as follows: 7.00pm - Adoration & Benediction. 7.45pm – Refreshments. 8.00pm – Reflection. 8.30pm - Blessed Carlo Acutis Devotions. If you would like to attend, let Fr Mark know and he will register you with Fr Craig at the St Newman Cluster.

CARMELITE EASTER CARDS will be available at £2.50 for a pack of 5 of the same design. At St Michael's they will be in the Church Hall across Sunday Masses. Please have plenty of change with you! Thank you for supporting the work of the Carmelites.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD DURING MASS Where possible, we would like to reintroduce the children's liturgy at Sunday Masses. It may not be possible every week, and it may not be possible in all three churches. Some of our volunteers that used to do this before the pandemic are no longer able to volunteer. If you would like to volunteer, we will be setting up a training session. If you are interested, please email bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk or speak to one of the priests.

CLEANERS FOR SS PETER & PAUL Our little team of cleaners is dwindling for various reasons. Are you able to come along and help us on Thursday mornings? If there were enough volunteers it would mean that it would not be every week. If you are interested, please email bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk or speak to one of the priests.

ROADWORKS OUTSIDE SS PETER & PAUL Paternoster Row will be closed next weekend, Palm Sunday 10th April. THIS WILL NOT AFFECT ENTRY INTO THE BOTTOM CAR PARK. It will not be possible, however, to enter the top car park. Please leave parking places at the top end of the bottom car park for people who have difficulty walking long distances.

SYNODAL PATH AND THE PARISH At the most recent meeting of the Pastoral Council we discussed the success of the Synodal path meetings and decided that as well as feeding back to the diocese it would be important for the parish to continue the discussions of the synodal path. We plan to have an OPEN MEETING FOR ALL THREE CHURCHES in St Michael's Hall on **Saturday May 7th** from 3.00pm. till 4.30pm. Please put this in your diaries.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM MAY 14th This is a wonderful opportunity to go on pilgrimage and pray with parishes across the diocese. If you are interested in going or taking a group, please contact Fr Philip Griffin on 01384 395308 or email olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN IN NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

We will be starting preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for children in Year 3 or older on Saturday 23rd April at 10.00am at St Michael's. The programme will last until end of June, and children who are ready will be able to make their First Holy Communion at the beginning of July. If you would like your child to be part of the programme, please email bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk or speak to one of the priests. **We will be starting a programme of preparation for Confirmation in October**, so please keep an eye on the Bulletin for more information later in the year.

GREAT FIGURES OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH Every Monday Lunchtime during Lent in St Peter's Collegiate Church for Soup and rolls at 12.00 noon and then there is a short talk at 12.30pm followed by Q&A and it's all finished by 1.00pm. For more details see the poster in the porch or look online <http://www.carloacutis.co.uk/parishnews/prayer-05032022>

ST BERNADETTE CHURCH: We are having coffee after Mass again in the church hall next Sunday 10th April.

SERVERS PRACTICE FOR EASTER VIGIL Servers from all three churches are invited to serve at the Easter Vigil as this is the most important Mass of the year in the parish. If you are able to serve, please attend the rehearsal which is on Holy Saturday 16th April. This is the same day as the Easter Vigil which is at 8.30pm that night.

Mission and Outreach

Walk Against Hunger: CAFOD 2022 Petula is challenging herself to walk 200Km during Lent - 5Km a day, in solidarity with the 200 million children whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. She would like to appeal for sponsorship to raise funds to help stamp out hunger one step at a time and help transform someone else's life this Lent. If you would like to sponsor Petula, you can place your donation in an envelope for 'Petula: Walk against Hunger' and leave at church or via the following link:

<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/petulas-lent-walk-against-hunger>

DONATIONS FOR UKRAINE: The Ukrainian Catholic Church in Wolverhampton greatly appreciated the donations received from our three churches, St Michael's and St Teresa's schools. We shall be appealing for further donations of painkillers/ Cold and Flu remedies/ antiseptic cream/ Vicks VapoRub/ bandages and plasters/ wound kits/ Calpol/ antiseptic wipes/ hand gel/toothpaste and brushes/ sanitary products/ nappies/ peanut butter/ Cupasoups/ noodles and coffee sachets on their behalf as soon as they are able to process more. Please do not bring any donations to church until the date is confirmed in the bulletin. Thank you so much.

IT STARTS WITH A MEAL Thursday 7th April – Sunday 10th April GOOD SHEPHERD MINISTRY are very excited to announce they have been chosen to be ambassadors for the British Art Show 9 (BAS9). This is the largest touring exhibition of contemporary art in the UK, and the theme is 'how we give voice to difference'. They will therefore be opening their doors to the public for the first time, where you will be able to experience a day in the life of our service users, volunteers and staff. To book yourself a ticket go to <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/itstartswithameal-an-immersive-art-exhibition-tour-of-the-good-shepherd-tickets-265815961697>

THANK YOU PUMP BAG MAKERS 200+ pump bags (to store items in, supplied by the charity Periods Matter for local year 6 girls) have been made. The basket containing kits is in the porch at St Michael's. Please take one for you to complete and another for a friend!

THE FOOD COLLECTION continues after Masses at the three churches and outside St Michael's on Tuesday 1-2 and Saturday 10-11. We would welcome any donations of the following: FOOD eg UHT milk/cereal/ tins of meat, vegetables, fish, fruit, soup, custard, rice pudding/ pasta and sauce/ rice/ tea/biscuits; ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS eg washing up liquid/ washing powder/ toilet and kitchen rolls/spray cleaners; TOILETRIES eg soap/ toothpaste and brushes/ shampoo/shower gel/deodorants and EASTER EGGS! This week's donations have been distributed to local Penn families. Thank you very much.

LIFE CHARITY SHOP 12 Lichfield Street WV1 1DG (tel 01902 420656) continues to flourish, thanks to your donations of clothes and bric-a-brac. Books can now be accepted as well. For more information, contact the shop or ring Rosalie (330553).

LIFE CARING OUTREACH If you can help by giving a cot, any kind of pushchair including especially a travel system, or other baby items including stairgates, please ring Rosalie. We are often asked to support needy families with babies and toddlers, and your generosity makes a big difference. Anyone who needs such help can contact us via Life's free National Helpline, 0808 802 5433. The Helpline also offers a listening ear to anyone who is worried about any pregnancy related issue, or who is troubled after experiencing loss of a pregnancy.

Holy Week Activities

Maundy Thursday	7.00pm St Bernadette Mass of the Lord's Supper with watching until 9.00pm.
	8.30pm SS Peter & Paul Mass of the Lord's Supper with watching until Midnight (compline at 11.45pm)
Good Friday	10.00am SS Peter & Paul Matins
	12.00 noon St Michael Children's Stations of the Cross
	1.00 pm City Centre Walk of Witness (meet outside Marks and Spencer in Dudley Street)
	3.00 pm St Michael Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
	3.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
	6.30 pm St Bernadette Stations of the Cross
	6.30 pm SS Peter & Paul Stations of the Cross
Holy Saturday	10.00 am SS Peter & Paul Matins
	8.30 pm St Michael EASTER VIGIL MASS OF THE RESURECTION
EASTER SUNDAY	9.00 am St Bernadette MASS OF THE RESURECTION
	10.15 am SS Peter & Paul MASS OF THE RESURECTION
	11.30 am St Michael MASS OF THE RESURECTION
<i>All services from SS Peter & Paul will be online.</i>	

RECONCILIATION TO PREPARE FOR EASTER ON TUESDAY 12th APRIL FROM 6.30PM - 8.00PM all across our deanery the following churches will be open for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and priests will be available for confession. You have the choice of going anywhere in the deanery: St. Anthony, Fordhouses; St. Chad and All Saints, Sedgley; St. Joseph, Wolverhampton; St. Mary and St. John, Wolverhampton; St. Michael, Penn; Our Lady and All Saints, Stourbridge; Our Lady of Lourdes, Kingswinford; St Patrick, Wolverhampton; The Sacred Heart and Holy Souls, Tipton.

RECOMMISSIONING OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION ON MAUNDY THURSDAY Whether you help distribute Holy Communion during Mass, or whether you take Holy Communion to the sick and housebound, you will need to be recommissioned at the Maundy Thursday Mass. This will be a particularly important moment as many of you have not been able to exercise this ministry during the pandemic and this will be an opportunity for a new beginning. If you are away from Wolverhampton on the night of Maundy Thursday, please let Fr Mark know so that you can be recommissioned at another Mass during Eastertide.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS – 12.00 GOOD FRIDAY. We are looking for 14 pairs of readers from across all three churches in our Parish - either a parent and child, two siblings or two young people – to take part in this *special Stations of the Cross for children of primary school age* at St Michael's on Good Friday. If you would like to be involved, please contact Liz at lizeyo@btinternet.com or Teresa at teresascragg9@gmail.com

GOOD FRIDAY SOUP LUNCH after Stations of the cross, 15th April. Join us for homemade soup and crusty bread in aid of CAFOD (cash donations on the day). The Catholic Women's League are thrilled to serve you once more and hope to see lots of you. All welcome! Information: Margaret 07531 227761

GOOD FRIDAY ACT OF WITNESS at 1.00 pm On Good Friday there will be an ecumenical walk of witness in the city centre, beginning outside M&S, using a crucifix made by the young people of the parish during Lent. Please make every effort to support our young people and to take this opportunity to witness in gratitude to Jesus on the day he died for us. *Clearly it will not be possible to attend the children's Stations of the Cross and the Walk of Witness, but we are a big enough parish to be able to support both initiatives for Good Friday.*

EASTER TREE: Come & help create a meditation on Our Lord's Passion and Resurrection. If you're in year 6 or above please join us for crafts & pizza at St Michael's Church Hall, 6.30 on Saturday April 9th (after the Vigil mass for Palm Sunday). Permission slips needed - find on the board at St Michael's, contact mibeyg@hotmail.co.uk or complete on the night!

Finance

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 27TH MARCH 2022

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	199.67	237.59	67.00	69.00		573.26
Gift Aid		55.00	80.00	25.00		160.00
Second Collection						
Standing Order Blessed Carlo Acutis parish for the month of February 2022 is £3513.25						

The next Special Collections will be on Maundy Thursday for the Poor, Good Friday for the Holy Places and on Easter Sunday for the priests of the parish.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Terry Carey, Joseph McCamphill, Richard Rogers, Shirley Deffis Whitaker, Andy Hyatt, Mary Hill, , Johny Burke, Charles Halldron, Marjorie Halldron, Ben McKearney, Philomena Labdy, Steve Kavanagh, Christine McHale, Fr John Lungley, Maura Andrews, Teresa Rickards, Antony Cosgrove, Sheila Botwood, Pritpal Dhanjal, Paul Green, R. J, Ben Sherry, Holly Burke, Peter and Margaret Holmes, Chris Starkey, M Mary, Stephen Briggs, Hilary Elsdon, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Ann Bayley, Peggy McHale, Patrick Quinn, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Leah Nixon, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Pat Eades, Helen Porter, Brendan Bleakley.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Teresa Taylor, Mary Kirby, Celia Norton, Thomas Mackin, Patrick McIlvenna. Fr Gabriel Maguire, Mgr John Heslin, Fr David Lloyd, Maria Allport. May they rest in peace.

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