



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 29th August

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

TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year B) 29th August

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30 pm St Michael Edison Christopher Pollard-Barney
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette John Goudie RIP
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Thanksgiving for God's Mercy.
 11.30 am St Michael Margaret Clitherow (Catholic Women's League)
 5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy
 6.00 pm SS Peter & Paul pro populo (Only top car park available)

Monday 30th August SS Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward.
 6.30 pm St Michael O'Toole RIP

Tuesday 31st August *Feria*
 9.30 am SS Peter & Paul and online Alan Reed RIP

Wednesday 1st September *World Day of Prayer for Creation*
 12.00 noon St Bernadette Michael Hunt

Thursday 2nd September *Feria*
 10.00 am St Bernadette Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 12.00 noon St Michael George Brown and Family

Friday 3rd September St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church
 9.30 am St Bernadette
 12.00 noon SS Peter and Paul & Online Gerard Smith RIP
 12.30 pm Divine Mercy Devotions

Saturday 4th September *Feria*
 10.30am St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 11.00am St Michael Confessions

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5th September

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30 pm St Michael Peggy Kenny RIP
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette Jane Morgan RIP
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Mary Doherty RIP
 11.30 am St Michael Witold Kapustka RIP
 5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy
 6.00 pm SS Peter & Paul pro populo

For the moment, Mass is celebrated in private at the Carmelite Monastery but the sisters continue to pray for us, day and night.

Parish News and Activities

Don't forget to regularly check the Online Activities available on our Website!

Annual SVP Mass for the Sick will take place **NEXT Saturday 4th September at Midday**. This Mass is an opportunity to gather those who are infirm and housebound to come together to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. ***If you know of anyone who would benefit from being brought to this Mass***, please inform any member of the SVP or the parish clergy. ***If you are able to offer transport to this Mass for someone***, please also inform the SVP or the parish clergy. All are welcome to this Mass. The Church teaches that the Sacrament of the Sick is intended for those who are seriously ill. This may be physical or mental illness. It is also recommended for those suffering from the frailty of old age. It is not intended for anybody who feels under the weather. There will, however, be a general blessing of healing to all present at the end of Mass. *Before the Mass begins, please inform the stewards if you wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.* Mass will be followed by a hot drink and biscuits in the hall.

March for Life Saturday 4th September Some of our parishioners are taking part in this event in London next Saturday. Please keep them in your prayers and pray for a new awareness of the sanctity of life in the womb across our society.

Possible Ward Boundary Changes in Penn There will be an open meeting in St Michael's Hall this Friday at 5.00pm. It will be chaired by Councillor Celia Hibbert. All those affected by the proposed changes are welcome to attend.

National Altar Servers Mass at SS Mary & John Wolverhampton We are very privileged to have this National Event celebrated by the Archbishop here in Wolverhampton this year! It will be on Saturday 25th September at 12.00 noon. I would like as many as possible of our altar servers to attend. Please let Fr Mark know if you can attend.

Proximity On Saturday 2nd October 2021, the diocese is holding a new event for Altar Servers called "Proximity" They intend this to be an annual event for altar servers of all ages. The aim is to form servers in faith as those who come close to Jesus at the altar, so that they may grow closer to him in their lives. This year, our day is based around the life and witness of recently-beatified teenager Blessed Carlo Acutis. Hosted in the inspirational setting of St. Mary's College, Oscott, our diocesan seminary, the day involves: an exploration of the life of Blessed Carlo, led by Mgr. Mark Crisp, Mass with the seminary community, testimonies from those for whom altar serving has been part of their vocational journey, age-appropriate workshops for junior, senior and adult servers, concluding with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The day is also a wonderful opportunity to meet other servers from across the Archdiocese of Birmingham and find out about other opportunities to grow in faith. They are asking for a donation of just £5.00 to attend (subsidised by the diocese). The day will be led by the Diocesan Vocations Office (which administers the Guild in the Archdiocese of Birmingham) and the Kenelm Youth Trust, with contributions from the Oscott seminary community. Information and a how to book: www.vocations.org.uk/proximity

The annual diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage will take place on Saturday 9th October, 12noon at St Chad's Cathedral. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary during 2021 (from your 1st up to 60th (every 5 years), and every year over 60) please email Lianne Pap (Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator) marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk for your names to be listed in the Mass booklet. You can also send in 'then & now' photos to be part of the video compilation. We are looking to find the longest married couple in the diocese, so if you think you, your parents or grandparents could be it then let Lianne know! The Mass is open to all married couples, as well as those preparing to marry in 2021 but you will need to register a place via email – marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk Closing date to register for the Mass is 1st October.

St Michael's Feast Day Mass 6.30 pm 29th September. Further to the article in the weekly bulletin some few weeks ago. We are now hopeful, pandemic permitting, to holding rehearsals each Monday at 7.30pm at St Michael's church starting on Monday 6th September where we will learn items of music in preparation for the Festival of St Michael and All Angel's on Wednesday 29th September. I am looking for singers in the parish as a whole who have some practical knowledge in reading music and singing covering the range of S.A.T.B. and are willing to learn new and exciting music. On this occasion, we have just four weeks to put a programme of music together which requires regular attendance to the Monday rehearsals. I look forward to seeing everyone who are able to participate in this venture. Thank you for your Support. Hugh Smith FGMS.

Mission and Outreach

Welcome Home: You are invited to join Alpha UK and Divine Renovation UK on Tuesday Sept 7th 7-8pm, for an on-line consideration of how to draw people back to Jesus and the Church at this stage of the pandemic. As we begin to survey the new terrain, there will be new opportunities to outreach to those around us. Register at: <https://www.tfaforms.com/4917263>

CAFOD responding to multiple emergencies across the world CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan and north-east Nigeria. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news> Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times.

A Decade A Day? * Can you join the parish Section of the CWL in presenting a Spiritual Bouquet to the Holy Father for his intentions in relation to the November COP26 Climate Conference? We are sending this traditional gift of prayer to arrive for the Vatican Conference "Faith and Science: Towards COP26" (October 4th) - a greeting in advance of his proposed visit to Glasgow. Please contact us up to September 20th to offer any pledges you can contribute to this witness to our Catholic commitment to care for God's Creation. Contact: Margaret Richards 07837660789 or margierichards@sky.com **Equivalent to one set of mysteries a week; Communion intentions and all other gifts of prayer such as the Angelus most welcome.*

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.

Sponsored Hair Cut One of the Altar Servers at St Michael's, Grace, is bravely going to cut her hair short and donate the hair (12inches) to the Little Princess Trust so it can be used to make a wig for children with cancer or other such illnesses which cause them to lose their hair. While donating her hair to the Little Princess Trust she would like to be sponsored and donate the money raised from this appeal to Ronald McDonald House charities. Ronald McDonald House charities provide free accommodation and support to families of critically ill children being treated in children's hospitals across England who travel long distances from their home. If you would like to donate, please go to: <https://bit.ly/3IVMoYh>

The Food Collection: The Well (Wolverhampton Food Bank) have sent a letter thanking you for the 958kg of food and toiletries donated between July and September 2020. As the schools return in September your donations will be generally distributed to local families via 'pop up' shops. Thank you for your continued support!

Life Charity Shop at 12 Lichfield Street WV1 1DG Tel 01902 420656 Could you help sort donated items, and steam clothes ready for display? Volunteers are needed to work 10.00am-2.00pm on Wednesday and/or Friday, or 12noon-4.00pm Wednesday, Friday or Saturday. You'd join a friendly team, and all necessary training will be given. If you might be interested, please phone and ask to speak to Catherine or Jane.

The shop is very grateful for all the clothes, bric-a-brac and books they receive. If you are donating items, please remember that you must ring the shop and book a slot if you have more than one or two bags to give. If you can't take items there yourself, please ring Rosalie (01902 330553) and make arrangements to drop them at her house or have them collected from you. **Life Caring Outreach:** We greatly appreciate recent donations of pushchairs, highchairs, baby clothes and other items. They are handed on to local families who are in real need of such items for their babies and toddlers. Anyone wanting such help, or who needs a listening ear for any pregnancy-related issue, is invited to ring the free Life National Helpline on 0808 802 5433.

Good Shepherd Ministry Cycling Sponsorship If you were kind enough to sponsor the team would you please put your money and name in an envelope marked 'Bro Charles' and leave it with Sr in St Michael's Hall when you next attend a weekend Mass or leave it at the presbytery. Thank you so much for supporting the GSM, late sponsors welcome!

Celebrations for the new Parish Feast Day

The preparations for our celebrations in October are now beginning to take shape. *The aim is to base activities around the Eucharist, prayer to Our Lady, outreach to the poor, a celebration of joy and an emphasis on involving young people.*

- Novena prayer after Mass in the 9 days leading up to the feast on October 12th
- Have three early evening vigils (time to be confirmed) at St Michael's on Monday Oct 4th, SS Peter & Paul on Tuesday October 5th and St Bernadette on Wednesday October 6th.
- 7.30pm Thursday 7th October: A Pilgrimage to St Bernadette's to pray the Rosary with Blessed Carlo.
- 7.30pm Friday 8th October: **Praising God with Blessed Carlo** A celebration in St Michael's Church of Religious Music representing the different cultures of our parish. The idea is that different groups would sing three songs each. *Please talk with your friends to see what songs you would be able to prepare for this event, and start practicing...*
- **October 10th Sunday Visit of Archbishop Bernard Longley to bless the new parish.**
 - **10.15 am** Archbishop will celebrate Mass at SS Peter & Paul and will be live-streamed. The Mass will conclude with the proclamation of the new parish and blessing of an image of Blessed Carlo for that church. This will be followed with veneration of the relic of Blessed Carlo.
 - **12.30 pm** Archbishop then travels to St Michael's to join those who have been at the 11.30am Mass for a blessing of an image of Blessed Carlo for that church. This will be followed with veneration of the relic of Blessed Carlo. *(This will be followed by some refreshments, depending on the Covid regulations in October.)*
 - **3.00 pm** Archbishop then travels to St Bernadette's for a service of blessing of an image of Blessed Carlo for that church. This will be followed with veneration of the relic of Blessed Carlo. *(This will be followed by some refreshments, depending on the Covid regulations in October.)*
- There will also be special Masses on the Feast Day itself, Tuesday October 12th
- As blessed Carlo had a special regard for the poor of his city, there will be a second collection for local charities that weekend and a possible fundraising event.

Finances

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for July 2021: St Michael's £ 1696.25 St. Bernadette's £700.18 and SS Peter & Paul £ 293.00

Offertory Collection for Sunday 22nd August 2021

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Second Collection:
Non-Gift Aid	£135.31	£201.74	122.00	
Gift Aid	£ 94.00	£100.00	18.00	
SS Peter & Paul 200 Club winner M Dolan				

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Christine McHale, Simon Swanwick, George Butterfield, Fr John Lungley, Maura Andrews, Teresa Rickards, Antony Cosgrove, Sheila Botwood, Pritpal Dhanjal, Paul Green, R. J, Ben Sherry, Holly Burke, Peter Holmes, 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, Brendan Bleakley.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: John Norton, Josephine Wright, Gerard Lashford, Kathleen Raby, Sr Genevieve Rosario (Sisters of Joseph of Tarbes), Mary Doherty, **May they rest in peace.**

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