



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 5th February 2023

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

5th February 2023 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael *Carolina Dias 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*

Monday 6th February Memorial of St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

5.45pm St Michael-Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm St Michael *Maureen Boyce*

Tuesday 7th February Feria

9.30am SS Peter & Paul *Salvatore Finazzo RIP*

Wednesday 8th February Feria

6.30 pm St Bernadette *H Schiermeier & Family*

Thursday 9th February Feria

10.00 am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

12.00 noon St Michael *Anne Catherine Shakelton RIP*

Friday 10th February Memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin

12.00 noon SS Peter & Paul *Patsy McGuckin*

12.30 pm SS Peter & Paul *Divine Mercy Adoration*

Saturday 11th February Feria

10.30am St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

11.00am St Michael *Confessions*

12th February 2023 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael *Mary Sweeney*

SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *H Schiermeier & Family*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Pro populo*

11.30 am St Michael *Dan Breen RIP*

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

FEBRUARY - DEANERY VOCATIONS PROMOTION MONTH

As part of this initiative please consider praying the Diocesan Prayer for Vocations every day this month.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR TRAFFICKED PEOPLE

on Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita.
Wednesday 8th February at 7.30pm on Zoom
Meeting ID: 838 1546 4794 Passcode: 5fRcig
Details from Sarah 07948 963325

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.

SVP GATHERINGS we have the usual social meetings planned for February. Wednesday February 8 at St Michael's Hall at 2.30pm; Wednesday February 22 at 11.00 in St Michael's Hall and Thursday February 23 at 11.00 in St Bernadette's Hall. Come along and enjoy good conversation with refreshments provided.

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

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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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 3RD MARCH: This used to be Women's World Day of Prayer, the name change was to emphasise everyone is welcome. The local services this year will be at 2.00pm in Wombourne Methodist Church, Common Rd WV5 0NE or 7.00pm at St Bartholomew's, Church Hill, WV4 5JB. More details Marese O'Dwyer 07903 496810 (Wombourne) or Sarah Andrews 07948 963325. (Penn)

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.

Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father,
we ask you to send labourers
into your harvest.

Inspire, in the hearts of your people,
vocations to the priesthood, diaconate
and religious life.

Bless our families with a spirit of
generosity,
so that those whom you call
have the courage to give themselves
to your Church in faith.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

UPDATED LIST OF 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.*
- **16th April** After 9.00am Mass **Patronal Feast of St Bernadette** celebrations.
- **29th April** Saturday 2pm-4.30pm in St Michael's Church Hall **Spring Charity Craft Fayre**.*
- **30th April – 11th June** each Sunday after Mass at SS Peter & Paul **Life in the Spirit Seminars**
- **2nd May. Pilgrimage to Evesham** Mass at 2.30pm with 'Bring and Share' Afternoon Tea *
- **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.
- **18th -27th May** Ecumenical Octave of prayer before Pentecost: **Thy Kingdom Come**
- **20th May** at 3.00pm **First Holy Communion** Mass at SS Peter & Paul
- **21st May** at 11.30am **First Holy Communion** Mass at St Michael
- **20th June- July 2nd.** **Holy Shroud Exhibition** in SS Peter & Paul Church.
- **25th June** at 1.00pm **Parish Barbecue** in the grounds of St Michael's Church.
- **25th - 27th July Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham**
- **19th August Parish Retreat Day** in St Michael's Hall
- **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

Mission and Outreach

IS THE LAW OUR ENEMY OR OUR FRIEND? *A lawyer's guidance for pro-lifers* - Come and listen to Jeremiah Igunnubole, legal counsel for ADF, explain the implications of buffer zones/PSPOs and how we can respond. Sun 19th Feb, 3.30pm at the parish hall of St Joseph and St Helen's RC Church, Station Rd, Kings Norton. For more details or to get involved in 40 Days for Life contact Isabel: 07773 501721

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

A GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITY: Are you 18-30, or do you know someone who is? Do you want to develop a wide range of skills including leadership while learning about global justice and inspiring others to use their faith in action? CAFOD, believes in equipping and inspiring young adults to contribute to a more just and peaceful world. Step into the Gap is a fully funded year of volunteering, with food, accommodation, stipend and training within a UK placement plus a Rome and Assisi pilgrimage. Visit the CAFOD website for more information: cafod.org.uk/gapyear

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.

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 distributed by SS Mary & John Catholic Primary Academy. Thank you so much.

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.

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 Lydwin at St Michael's and to W A Finnegan in SS Peter & Paul's church. Thank-you.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 29th January 2023

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	331.34	417.38	72.80	98.00		919.52
Gift Aid		116.00	47.00	43.00		206.00
Second Collection:						
Standing Order for January 2023 £4233.41						

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

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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