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26TH JANUARY SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

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Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael *Pro populo*
9.00 am St Bernadette *Joe Eades RIP*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Alex - Birthday*
11.30 am St Michael *Bernadette Davey RIP*
4.00pm St Michael *Syro Malabar Liturgy*

Monday 27th January Feria

5.45pm St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

6.30pm St Michael *Rosalie's 80th Birthday*

Tuesday 28th January Saint Thomas Aquinas

12.00pm St Michael *Holy Souls*

6.30 pm SS Peter & Paul *Holy Souls*

Wednesday 29th January Feria

Mass at Carmelite Monastery at 9.00 am

Thursday 30th January Feria

10.00am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
12..00pm St Michael *Intentions of Lynn and Roy*

1.00 pm SS Peter & Paul: *Funeral Service Terrence Warr RIP*
4.00 pm St Michael: *Vigil Reception Nancy Davies RIP*

Friday 31st January Saint John Bosco

9.30 am St Bernadette *Holy Souls*
12.00 pm SS Peter & Paul *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
12.30 pm SS Peter & Paul *Beryl Hilda Pratt*
Followed by Confessions

1.00 pm St Michael: *Funeral Service Nancy Davies RIP*

Saturday 1st February

10.30am St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
11.00am St Michael *Confessions*

12.00 pm St Bernadette *SVP Intensions*

2nd FEBRUARY THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (Candlemas)

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael *Holy Souls*
9.00 am St Bernadette *Pro populo*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Peter Tuohy RIP*
11.30 am St Michael *Holy Souls*
4.00pm St Michael *Syro Malabar Liturgy*

Parish Priest: Mgr. Canon Mark Crisp, **Assistant:** Fr. Alex Taylor, **Deacons:** Rev. Mr. Michael McKearney, Rev. Mr Gerry Bowen.
Pastoral Assistant: Sr. Lydwyn, Sisters of St Ann of Providence.

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Catholic Education from 3-19: sfscmac.co.uk

For Online Masses, go to www.carloacutis.co.uk **Parish Facebook page:** @carloacutisparish

Mass at Carmelite Monastery, every day at 9.00am.

SAFEGUARDING *The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Steve & Chris Callow. They can be contacted at: sg.blessed.carloacutis.wolves@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.*

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. Also, please do not let children of this age go near the votive candle stands unaccompanied, and do not let them run round the car park. It is important that we do everything to ensure that accidents do not happen. Thank you for your help in keeping our children safe.*

News and Activities

TODAY IS THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD Pope Francis has chosen as the theme the words of the Psalmist, *"I hope in your Word"* (Ps. 119:74). It is a cry of hope: when we are in moments of anguish, tribulation, and confusion, we cry out to God and put all our hope in him. The Sunday of the Word of God once again allows Christians to reinvigorate Jesus' tenacious invitation to listen to and cherish his Word to offer the world a witness of hope that allows one to move beyond the difficulties of the present moment.

THIS SUNDAY, after the homily we will invite **all our readers** to come and stand before the altar to receive a special blessing to support them in their essential ministry of proclaiming God's Word. **Everyone is also invited to bring their bibles** from home (also, if applicable, their new Sunday Missals) to be blessed at the end of Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION 2025 The Enrolment Mass and First Parents' Meeting is **TODAY** either at **SS Peter & Paul** or **St Michael's Church**. If you have not already registered, it is still possible to register online until this Friday 31st January, either by scanning this QR code or by using this link:



<https://forms.office.com/e/9W0j6r2wJA>

If your child has not made their First Holy Communion and are in year 3 or older, **whether they are in a Catholic School or not**, you need to register them for preparation for these sacraments.

MANY THANKS to everyone who worked so hard leading up to last weekend's visit of the Archbishop as part of the Dudley and Wolverhampton Deanery Visitation. He has written to me to thank everyone and to say how pleased he was to spend the weekend with us. Eventually we will receive some formal feedback, but he thoroughly enjoyed the weekend.

NEXT SUNDAY IS CANDLEMASS please bring any candles you use for prayer at home to be blessed at the beginning of Mass.

DARLINGTON ROAD CLOSURE For the next 6 months, the only way to enter and exit SS Peter & Paul Church will be from Waterloo Road. This is easily accessed at the next junction on the Ringroad.

WOMBOURNE CHURCHES TOGETHER - WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2025: The final service is this Sunday 26th January URC Church at 7pm with an Evening Worship Service. All are welcome. For further resources: <https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2025/>



CARLO'S COFFEE CLUB has been meeting since February 2021: It is a chance to catch up with others whilst sharing a coffee in the comfort of your own home. We have a guest speaker at each meeting. **It is open to** anyone 60+ in the parish of Blessed Carlo Acutis.

We meet online (but meet in person at the end of each season)

On Tuesday mornings **fortnightly** from 10.30am to 11.30am

If you would like to join but are uncertain of the technicalities of using the internet, practical help is available to guide you through the process. All you need is either a mobile phone, tablet, computer or laptop and we can help sort the rest.

Interested? Email Judith at wolvesdy@gmail.com for more details on how to join in.

JOINT CHOIR PRACTICE Please could all singers and musicians from all three churches come to a Joint Practice on **Friday 21st February at 7.00pm at SS Peter & Paul**? We have some important events coming up: This year, as one parish, we are all celebrating Maundy Thursday and Good Friday together as well as the Easter Vigil. We then have the Canonisation Mass the Sunday after Easter, so we need to start planning as soon as possible. Many thanks, Fr Mark

JUBILEE PRAYER CARDS The Office for Mission of the Archdiocese of Birmingham have produced Jubilee prayer cards for everyone to help us pray and keep our focus on the Jubilee year. They are available at the back of each church and a supply of 500 has been provided for visitors to our Jubilee Shrine.

FREE WOLVERHAMPTON ART GALLERY EXHIBITION Blessed Carlo Acutis parishioner and local artist **Roy Pope** presents highlights from his 35-year career as a sculptor in glass, ceramics and wood at the Wolverhampton Art Gallery on Lichfield Street The exhibition celebrates Roy's work for churches and schools across our region. The exhibition is located on the ground floor of the art gallery and is open until the end of March 2025. Entry is free.

ROSARY for VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING for Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita.

All welcome on ZOOM, Friday 7th February at 7.30pm.

Meeting ID: 899 4100 7923 Passcode: VcD5CU Continuation Meeting ID: 823 2207 7223 Passcode: 9g7vF0

Further details from Sarah: 07948 963325

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER for all. Friday 7th March 2pm Wombourne United Reform Church, High Street. WV5 9DN
7pm Springdale Methodist Church, Warstones Road, Penn. WV4 4LF Theme '**I made you wonderful**' Psalm 139:14

LITTLE ANGELS STAY & PLAY GROUP (ages 0-5 years). We get together every Friday 9am-11am during term-time in St Michael's Church Hall. Bring your little ones along. Unlimited tea, coffee and squash plus fruit and toast. Further details from Sarah: 07948 963325

Mission and Outreach

LIFE CHARITY SHOP & LIFE CARING OUTREACH We look forward to your continued support for our shop during 2025. Please leave donations of clothes and bric-a-brac in our collecting boxes at St Michael's and St Bernadette's, or take them direct to the shop at 12 Lichfield Street in the city centre. We also welcome gifts of baby clothes and equipment, which we hand on to the local families who need our support. If you have baby items to donate and can't take them to church, please ring Rosalie on 01902330553 to arrange collection.

FOOD COLLECTION: Donations of food (tinned/dried/cereal/ biscuits etc), toiletries(shampoo/toothpaste and toothbrushes/ sanitary products/soap) AND essential household items(kitchen and toilet roll/washing up liquid/ washing powder) are greatly appreciated by our Free School Meal families. This week's donations and Aldi Orange gift cards have been distributed by SS Peter & Paul's Catholic Primary Academy. Thank you for continued support.

SVP WINTER CLOTHING APPEAL A huge thank you from the SVP for the outpouring of generosity from parishioners in providing winter clothes for the refugees that have been relocated to Wolverhampton. **At this moment in time, we are suspending our request for winter clothes. Thanks again.**

Finance

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS PARISH 300 CLUB: As the BCA Parish 200 club will have more than 200 members next year, it is now renamed as BCA Parish 300 Club. This means now that any ticket only has a 1 in 300 chance of winning each month.

The Annual Subscriptions are now due. Kindly pay Sr Lydwin at St Michael Church, Mr Bill Finnegan at SS Peter & Paul and Mr Brian Dyce at St Bernadette. We encourage new members to join the 300 Club. The Annual Subscription is £12.00. There is a Draw every month: First Prize £50 and second prize £10. All proceeds are for the Heating in three churches of our parish.

The New Cards will be issued in the second week of February.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 19th JANUARY 2025						
	SS PP	St M	SB	Card Readers	Website	Total
Gift Aid		110.00	9.50		5.00	124.50
Non-Gift Aid	188.50	445.84	132.81	116.00		889.15
Attendance	238	100, 226	85			649
Standing Order: December 2024: £4769.79						
Pax Christi £519.20						

You can donate through the



Regular Prayer

CHARISMATIC 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.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP Meetings are every 4th Thursday of the month, 3.00pm at St Bernadette's. All are welcome.

LEGION OF MARY meets in the Guild Room every Sunday after the 10.15am Mass at SS Peter & Paul, and after the 11.30am Mass in the Lady Chapel at St Michael's. All Welcome!

LAY ASSOCIATES OF SISTERS OF ST ANN KNOWN AS THE LASA PRAYER GROUP will break up for Christmas vacations from 10th December 2024 and will meet in the Lady Chapel at St. Michael's on Tuesday 14th January 2025 at 5.00pm for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join in for prayer.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT THE CARMEL MONASTERY: Every Sunday from 4.30pm until after vespers at 5.40pm. and every first Friday of the month from 2.00pm to 5.00pm. All are welcome.

CANONISATION OF SAINT CARLO ACUTIS This takes place on **Sunday 27th April 2025. This is the Sunday after Easter Sunday.** The parish Council have set up a working party and we are just beginning to put forward ideas for this very important moment in the life of our parish. There will only be **ONE MASS** in the parish that Sunday. That means there will be **NO 9.00 am** Mass at St Bernadette's and **NO 10.15 am** Mass at SS Peter & Paul. Please put this in your diaries now and tell everyone you know, so that no one turns up for Mass at those churches on that morning.

The Parish Mass for the Canonisation of St Carlo Acutis will be celebrated by Bishop Timothy Menezes at St Michael's, but we are not sure what time it will be yet. The plan is that we might be able to get large screens to watch together the first part of the canonisation in Rome and then celebrate Mass possibly around 10.30 am but this time will be established soon and then advertised. We are then looking into setting up a large Marquee on the large lawn in front of the church for a Grand Reception. If you have any other ideas about these celebrations, please contact the Parish Working Party by emailing bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH: Graham Cole, Shirley Deffis-Whittaker, Mary Robs, Harry Murphy, Zsofia Toth, Dennis Oparaji, Christine Ball, Janusz Rogowski, Patricia Jones, Patricia Dufficy, Mick Gallagher, John Chell, Jan Taylor, Rodney Young, Morris Young, Elaine Howell, Magdalena de Rosario, Mary Ware, Antonia Colabella, Valerie Hinton, Rodney McKinney, Elizabeth Firth, Michael Foley, Ray O'Gorman, Sheila Powell, Sheila Percy, Rose Curtis, Margaret Gay, Maurice Gay, Josephine Mann, Andy Hyatt, Johny Burke, Charles Halldron, Ben McKearney, Steve Kavanagh, Antony Cosgrove, R. J, Holly Burke, Peter and Margaret Holmes, M Mary, Katherine Poole, Ann Bayley, Patrick Quinn, Margaret Stokes, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Helen Porter, Brendan Bleakley, Freya Haynes.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Gilly Wallace, Terence Warr, Pat Poole, Annie Davies, Anne Palmer, Janet Scoular, Ronald Barnett, Anthony Woods. **May they rest in peace.**

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