



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 23rd January 2022

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

SUNDAY 23rd JANUARY 2022 SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD (C) *Octave of Christian Unity*

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm St Michael *Patricia Bamford*

SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *Holy Souls*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Thanksgiving for God's Blessings*

11.30 am St Michael *Vincent Keane RIP*

5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

6.00pm SS Peter & Paul *Pro populo*

Monday 24th January Memorial of St Francis de Sales, Doctor of the Church *Octave of Christian Unity*

6.30 pm St Michael *Fr Bob Douglas RIP*

Tuesday 25th January Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, the Apostle

9.30 am SS Peter & Paul *Holy Souls*

Wednesday 26th January Memorial of SS Timothy and Titus, Bishops

12.00 noon St Bernadette *Holy Souls*

12.00 noon SS Peter & Paul *Margaret Jordan RIP*

Thursday 27th January Feria

10.00 am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

10.30am SS Peter & Paul *Requiem Mass-Margaret Mary Jordon*

12.00 noon St Michael *Moira & Danny O'Hara RIP*

Friday 28th January Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church

9.30am SB Mass & Confessions *Holy Souls*

12.00noon SS Peter & Paul *Holy Souls*

12.30pm SS Peter & Paul-Divine Mercy Devotion

Saturday 29th January Feria

10.30 St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

11.00am St Michael *Confessions*

SUNDAY 30th JANUARY 2022 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm St Michael *Bernadette Davey RIP*

SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *Mary Ann Beare RIP & Family*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Salvatore Finazzo RIP*

11.30 am St Michael *Shirley Deffis-Whittaker*

5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

6.00pm SS Peter & Paul *pro populo*

Parish News and Activities

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD Every year on the third Sunday of the year we celebrate the gift of the Word of God in our lives. It is a chance to remember where we have put our bible and to open it and read some of it. Today there are also wonderful apps for smart phones and computers. UNIVESALIS is a great app to give you the readings for every day as well as the Divine Office. Another great app if you wish to look at the scriptures in their original languages is an app called ACCORDANCE. If you are able to read the scriptures at home before you come to Mass, it really helps with an understanding of what is happening at Mass.

WE ARE IN CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK Each year in the octave leading up to the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul (January 25th) the Church invites us to pray for unity among all Christians. The theme this year is 'We Saw His Star in the East' and the materials have been prepared by the churches of the Middle East. With Covid restrictions it is still difficult to arrange joint services this year, but we can still pray in each of our churches for unity and we can pray at home and at other parish activities that happen during the week. For prayer resources you can download the booklet from <https://ctbi.org.uk/resources-for-week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-2022>

Prayer for Christian Unity:

Creator of light, illumine our path by the light of Christ who moves before us and leads us.

May he be a beacon for our pilgrimage. Enlighten us and dwell within us.

Guide us to discover a manger in our hearts where a great light still shines.

We thank you for the gift of that unfading Star, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Heal our divisions and draw us closer to the Light that we may find our unity in him.

Amen.

Rosary on Zoom for all. Thursday 27th January at 7.30pm. Please join the Catholic Women's League as we meet online for our monthly rosary. Meeting ID 83793443537 Passcode 885305 Details from Sarah 07948 963325 sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

Service of prayer and reflection on the FEAST DAY OF ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA (Patron saint of human trafficking)

Six years ago, the Archdiocese joined forces with the Medaille Trust to work together to combat modern slavery in our communities. As part of this call to action Garry Smith, CEO of the Medaille Trust, and Archbishop Bernard Longley, signed a pledge to work together for the benefit of those suffering from modern slavery. You are invited to the online relaunch of this project on the feast day of St Josephine Bakhita, Patron Saint of Victims of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking. The online event takes place on Tuesday 8 February from 6pm to 7pm. Online via Zoom. Meeting ID 86753628807 Passcode 068572

Details from Sarah 07948 963325 sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

BAPTISM CLASS Tuesday February 15th at 7.00pm in St Michael's Sacristy Meeting Room This is for any parents who are seeking baptism for their children in the next couple of months.

MONTHLY MASS OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS We will soon be starting a monthly devotion to Blessed Carlo in the parish. Next to his image in each church, there will be a box for prayer intentions. Each month, these intentions will then be placed on the altar at a special Mass with his relic. This Mass will be move around our three churches, so that each church will have a Mass every three months.

KSC YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITIONS Our Order is running two new photography competitions for young people. Details can be found on the *Online Mass and Activities* page of the [Parish website](#). If you have any questions, please contact David Spinks on 07544960402.

200 CLUB: The 200 Club is running for several years at SS Peter & Paul's for the maintenance of the parish. Now we wish to run it at St Michael's too in order to support the maintenance of the parish. The Annual subscription £12.00. If you would like to become a member, please contact Sr Lydwin. We appreciate your support. Thank you.

LITTLE ANGELS STAY & PLAY GROUP (0-5 YEARS) *Friday* mornings 09.15-11.00am in St Michael's Church Hall. Just £1.50. Free tea & coffee for grown-ups and refreshments for your little ones. **Helpers needed, please.** If you love babies (we have several) and seeing kids having fun, do volunteer with us. Info from Sarah & Jim: 07948963325/24. sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

Walking together – the Synodal Path

As the Archdiocese has now informed us to send in our feedback by the end of February, we have had to move our third meeting from March to February.

So, the next two meetings will be:

Saturday 5th February when we will look at **Participation**, 3.00pm - 4.30pm at all three churches.

and **Saturday 19th February** when we will look at **Mission**. 3.00pm - 4.30pm at all three churches.

Here are the areas of discussion for each meeting:

Saturday 5th February Participation

6. How do you believe your presence at Mass makes a difference?

7. Explain what difference does it make in your life to receive the sacraments?

8. What part does prayer play in your life and your relationship with God/The church?

9. How do you currently participate, personally, in the life of the Church? How do families and young people participate in the life of the Church? How much responsibility do you have as an individual?

10. How can we better enable full participation and co-responsibility in the life of the Church at the parish and diocesan levels?

11. If you could describe your local parish fulfilling your dreams and concerns for the whole world and the local community, what would it be like?

Saturday 19th February Mission

12. How does your experience of parish life allow you to reflect, develop, action, and speak about your faith?

13. In what ways is the call of Jesus to serve the poor a priority in the Church and especially in our parishes?

14. What more can we do in our parishes to address the needs of the poor (homeless, lonely, the bereaved, prisoner, the sick, people with addictions, refugees, people with disabilities, those suffer in developing countries)?

If you are unable to attend these meetings you can also respond via our website www.carloacutis.co.uk/synod

We may also provide a zoom meeting for an open discussion. There will be more information next week.

Prayer for the Synodal Path

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life

and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,

in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen

If you have Netflix There is a great mini-series called ***“Stories of a Generation – with Pope Francis”***. If you can watch this, it gives you an insight into what Pope Francis is asking of us in the Synodal Path.

Mission and Outreach

LIFE CHARITY SHOP 12 Lichfield Street WV1 1DG (Tel 01902 420656) continues to welcome donations of clothes and bric-a-brac; **NO BOOKS** until further notice though, as at the moment we have large stocks of them. For more information contact the shop, or ring Rosalie (330553).

Life Caring Outreach continues to welcome donations of cots, pushchairs, and other baby items. We are often asked to help needy families and your generosity makes a real difference to the care of babies and toddlers. Anyone who needs such help can contact us via the free Life National Helpline 0808 802 5433. This Helpline also offers a confidential listening ear to anyone who is worried about any pregnancy related issue, or who has experienced loss of a pregnancy.

THE FOOD COLLECTION continues at the three churches and outside St Michael's on Tuesdays 1-2 and Saturdays 10-11. As demand for help seems to be increasing we would welcome any donations of the following: FOOD e.g. UHT milk/cereal/ tins of meat, vegetables, fish, fruit, soup, custard, rice pudding/ pasta and sauce/ rice/ tea/biscuits; ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS e.g. washing up liquid/ washing powder/ toilet and kitchen rolls/spray cleaners and TOILETRIES e.g. soap/ toothpaste and brushes/ shampoo/shower gel/deodorants.

This week's donations have been distributed by Warstones Primary School. £100 of supermarket vouchers have been gratefully received by our 19th city primary school. Thank you so much.

Period Poverty. The Catholic Women's League (CWL) entreat you to support Period Poverty by donating ladies' sanitary items and toiletries. There is a basket in the entrance of St Michael's Church for these donations which will be collected each week. All donations received will support families through the Food Collection service in our parish. The CWL thank you for your continuing support.

Crisp-Packet Recycling. This scheme suggested by our young people at St Michael's has returned: notices will remind you to sanitise if you touch the bin with your hands, as you do with other items at church. Most people bring packets which have had a few days' "rest" at home to help mitigate any risk attached to them of spreading disease: thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for December 2021: Parish of Blessed Carlo Acutis £ 3313.37

Offertory Collection for Sunday 16th January 2022

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	99.00	200.85	48.66	55.00		403.51
Gift Aid	290.00	30.00	121.00	75.00		516.00
Second Collection						

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Richard Rogers, Shirley, Andy Hyatt, Mary Hill, Antony Thompson, Johny Burke, Charles Halldron, Marjorie Halldron, Ben McKearney, Philomena Labdy, Teresa Taylor, 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 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: Michael Egan, Margaret Jordan, Frank Sowinski, Fr Bob Douglas, Sharon Stephenson, Ros Ward. May they rest in peace.

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