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### JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

Jesus says; "Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."



Matthew 11:28–30

# Parish News

**TODAY IS THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI** After both the 10.15 am Mass at SS Peter & Paul and the 11.30 am Mass at St Michael's, we will be having Corpus Christi processions and those who have made their First Holy Communion recently are warmly invited to process at the front of these processions.

HOLY SHROUD EXHIBITION 20th June – 3rd July We are very blessed to be hosting this exhibition at SS Peter &



Paul's Church. The exhibition features a full-sized replica of the Shroud of Turin (the actual Shroud is housed in the Cathedral of the Italian city of Turin) and includes detailed information boards about aspects of the shroud, together with other exhibits, including a life-sized statue of the Roman centurion who pierced the side of Christ, and replicas of instruments used in His crucifixion. The exhibition aims to use the replica of the Shroud as a visual aid to tell the story of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ and to examine the mystery of the cloth. It takes the journey of Jesus from his trial through the events of Good Friday to the empty tomb, using passages from the four gospels. It tries to demonstrate what the flogging, the whip, the piercings, the nails and spear were really like, using the Shroud as a teaching aid. It has both a historical and a spiritual dimension. Visitors are given a chance to gain a deeper understanding of the great sacrifice Christ made for us for our own redemption.

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The Exhibition begins on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00 pm with Vespers\* led by the Choir of St Peter's Collegiate Church. The opening times of the Exhibition will be as follows:

		Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	12.30 pm – 1.30 pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	After 7.00 pm Vespers	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	12.30 pm – 1.30 pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	12.30 pm – 1.30 pm
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	After Mass
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	12.30 pm – 1.30 pm	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	12.30 pm – 1.30 pm
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	11.00 am – 12.00 noon	Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 11.00 am – 12.00 noc	
	2.00 pm – 4.00 pm		2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	After 10.15 am Mass	Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	After 10.15 Mass
	4.00 pm – 6.00pm		4.00 pm – 6.00pm

The exhibition can also be opened at other times by appointment. Please contact bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

An ideal time for parishioners to come to the Exhibition will be for Vespers\* at 7.00pm on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> because afterwards there will be a talk about the Shroud, giving a full explanation of the exhibition.

\*Vespers is an old English name for the service of Evening Prayer which is a simple service of psalms and canticles prayed by priest, convents and monasteries every day. It is now encouraged that all people have the opportunity to join in this important prayer of the church when possible.

<u>ALPHA 2023</u> Alpha is an opportunity to explore the basics of Christianity in a welcoming atmosphere. A typical Alpha evening involves a free meal, a video on one of life's big questions and an open discussion. Over the last two years our parish has held two successful Alpha courses, with some participants choosing to be baptised or received into the Church. This year we will hold Alpha at SS Peter and Pauls Church on Monday evenings in July and August (full details on flyers). Alpha is perfect for those with doubts or questions, those who've drifted from the Church, non-Christians, or Christians who want to go back to the basics. Get involved:

- Come to Alpha Why not do Alpha yourself?
- Spread the Word Inviting people to Alpha is an easy and effective way to share your faith. Flyers are
  available at the back of Church. Please take as many as you want, offering a personal invite to your family,
  friends, work colleges or neighbours.
- Help with Catering Perhaps you can help with catering for one Alpha session? If so, please let Fr Sean know.

PARISH BARBECUE 1.00PM SUNDAY JUNE 25th CELEBRATING THE FEAST OF SS PETER & PAUL AND THE CENTENARY OF ST MICHAEL'S FOUNDATION There has been an amazing response from parishioners to this great occasion so please continue to sign up. This week there are also sign-up sheets for the following. We need cakes / puddings; manpower to move tables and chairs onto the lawn and to return them to the hall; raffle prizes and help with organisation of the raffle; help with supervision of the bouncy castle. If you can assist with any of these tasks, please sign the sheets at the back of the church. Can you also pray for good weather on June 25th!

**SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE AFTER 11.30am MASS EVERY SUNDAY FOR CHARITY** at St Michael's. Do join us for a drink, a biscuit and the chance to make new friends knowing that your donation will be used to help the needy. If you are able to help a couple of times a year to set up, serve and clear then please see or call Sarah - 07948 963325

**ADVANCE NOTICE FOR DAY PILGRIMAGE TO HARVINGTON HALL** On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August we will be hiring a coach to travel the short journey to Harvington to visit the beautiful ancient hall where priests were hidden during the time of persecution of Catholics in this Country. As well as a guided tour there will be Mass and lunch. There will be more details in the coming weeks.

LITTLE ANGELS STAY & PLAY GROUP every Friday 9.15-11.00am. (Ages 0-5) Only £1.50. A warm welcome awaits. Contact Sarah: 07948 963325 for information.

SVP COFFEE AND TEA SOCIAL This Wednesday at 2.00pm in St Michael's. All Welcome!

LIST OF PARISH EVENTS 2023 can be found on our website on the Online Mass & Activities page.

**THE FOOD COLLECTION** This week's donations have been distributed by Warstones Primary School. Would you consider donating just a couple of essential household items such as washing powder/washing up liquid/toilet or kitchen roll OR tins/jars of food OR toiletries such as shampoo/toothbrushes and toothpaste/ sanitary products please? All donations are greatly appreciated.

<u>LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH</u> invite you to the LIFE BBQ on Sunday 2nd July, 5pm-9pm. Tickets at £7.50 each will be on sale soon after weekend Masses at St Michael's, or phone Rosalie on 01902 330553. As usual children under 10 years can attend free of charge. We are very grateful for parishioners' continuing generous donations of goods for our charity shop and of baby clothes and equipment for us to supply to the needy families who ask our help. If you are giving bulky items, collection can be arranged, just ring Rosalie.

**FINAL SEMINAR FROM FR HUDSONS** At Father Hudson's we know that so much already happens in parish communities, doing what they can to welcome the refugee, help the homeless, support those living with dementia, and valuing the contribution to parish liturgical and community life of those who experience disability. You can join in our final online evening meeting, on Monday 19th June, from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. The session is on "Homelessness'; there is no charge, simply email fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk to register and a link will be sent or use this QR code.



<u>CAFOD: BCA Parish Community Big Walk</u> - Saturday 1st July 2023: All 3 churches in the Blessed Carlo Acutis parish will get together on Saturday 1st July 2023 at 11:00am for a walk starting and finishing at St Bernadette's in solidarity with people working to overcome poverty. All parishioners including children (and clergy!) are invited to take part. Refreshments (tea/coffee) will be available after the walk and walkers are invited to bring food for a shared brunch to St Bernadette's from 10:30am on the day. All donations welcomed.

**<u>CAFOD Raffle - Saturday 1st July 2023</u>**: A raffle will be drawn at St Bernadette's after the CAFOD BCA Parish Community Big Walk on 1st July 2023. You can obtain your raffle tickets after mass at all churches from next week.

**CAFOD: update on the conflict in Sudan** Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Working as part of the Caritas network, your donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying for peace in Sudan. Find out more on the CAFOD website: <a href="https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies">https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies</a>.

<u>KEEPING GOING</u>. Biblical Reflections for Synodality and Journeying Together Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> 2pm to 4pm Selly Park Convent B29 7LL David McLoughlin (Theologian and formerly Newman University) and Fleur Dorrell (Bible Society and Bishops Conference of England and Wales) will be leading an afternoon reflection time using the scriptures to reflect on our journeying together in a synodal Church. Refreshments will be provided. **To register please email:** <u>actabhm@gmail.com</u>

<u>Next Sunday is the Day for Life</u> The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. In England and Wales, Day for Life is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. This year it falls on 18 June. For the first time, it will be celebrated in Scotland and Ireland on the same day. The theme is 'Listen to Her' and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also men and others. There is a novena of prayer that can be started this weekend leading up to the day. For more information go to <u>https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life</u>

## Finance

# 200 Club Draw Winner-May: No.38 Bernard Oakes-St Michael and No. 283 Maureen Jones- SSPP OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 4th June 2023

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	283.93	258.86	110.00	52.00		704.79
Gift Aid		103.00	12.00	85.00		200.00
Mass Attendance	184	93, 135	45			457

Next Second Collection: Weekend of 17<sup>th</sup> /18<sup>th</sup> June: Day for Life Standing Order: Blessed Carlo Acutis, May 2023: £4178.25

#### MARRIAGE BANNS

Name: IHEDIOHA CHIMA HARISON	Name: OBI CHISOM JULIET		
Present Address: I AKAI STR: MOSAFEJO, OJO LAGOS	Present Address: 51 North Street Wolverhampton		
Father: IHEDIOHA RAYMOND	Father: OBI STEPHEN		
Mother: FLORENCE IHEDIOHA	Mother LILIAN OBI		
Native of: IHITENANSA UMUDIABA, ORSU, IMO STATE	Native of: UMUOH, OKIJA-IHIALA-ANAMBRA STATE		

# Regular Prayer Opportunities

**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** will meet once a month on the fourth Thursday of each month at 3.00pm at St Bernadette's Church, Wombourne. Next Meeting on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. All are welcome. For more information, contact Tina Abbiss. **LEGION OF MARY** meets in the Guild Room every Sunday after the 10.15am Mass at SS Peter & Paul, All welcome! **LAY ASSOCIATES OF SISTERS OF ST ANN KNOWN AS THE LASA PRAYER GROUP** will gather at 5.00pm every Tuesday at St Michael's Lady chapel. 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**: Rosa Tse, Antonia Colabella, Valerie Hinton, Michael Hawley, Rodney McKinney, Elizabeth Firth, Michael Foley, Ray O'Gorman, Pat Noad, Peter James Burke, Sheila Powell, Sheila Percy, Margaret Ambler, Rose Curtis, Margaret Gay, Maurice Gay, Eileen Whittall, Josephine Mann, Anna McGrath, 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, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Helen Porter, Brendan Bleakley

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Joseph Eades, Angela McCaffrey (né Collis), Kerry Robinson. May they rest in peace.

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