



THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

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SUNDAY 10th MARCH LAETARE SUNDAY (4th OF LENT)

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael *Pat Clarke RIP*
9.00 am St Bernadette *Margaret McCahy*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Mario & Nicolina Margillo*
11.30 am St Michael *Lily Bennett*
4.00pm St Michael *Syro Malabar Service*

Monday 11th March Lent Feria

5.45 pm St Michael Adoration

6.30 pm St Michael *Pro populo*

Tuesday 12th March Lent Feria

9.00am SS Peter & Paul *Joan Obowaiti*

Wednesday 13th March Lent Feria

9.15 am St Michael School Mass *Sean O'Malley*

9.30am St Bernadette *Service of Word & Communion*
10.00am St Bernadette *Stations of the Cross*

Thursday 14th March Lent Feria

10.00am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

12.00 pm St Michael *Brendan McLoughlin RIP*

Friday 15th March Lent Feria

9.30am St Bernadette *Pat Ford*
12.00 pm SS Peter & Paul *Stations of the Cross*
12.30 pm SS Peter & Paul *Patrick Guiton RIP*

1.00 pm SS Peter & Paul *Confessions*
6.30pm St Michael *Stations of the Cross*

Saturday 16th March Lent Feria

10.00am St Michael Mass *Barney Doherty RIP*
10.30am St Michael Adoration

11.00am St Michael *Confessions*

SUNDAY 17th MARCH FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael *Richard Hall RIP*
9.00 am St Bernadette *Charles Family Deceased*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Henry & Judith Soronnadi*
11.30 am St Michael *David Blee*
4.00pm St Michael *Syro Malabar Service*

Parish Priest: Mgr. Canon Mark Crisp, **Assistant:** Fr. Alex Taylor, **Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Michael McKearney

Pastoral Assistants: Sr. Lydwin and Sr. Anna Maria, Sisters of St Ann of Providence.

Parish Office: 173 Coalway Road WV3 7ND. **Parish House,** 51 North Street, 01902 423005

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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](https://www.facebook.com/carloacutisparish)

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: sq.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 concern.

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.

THE MAIN CAR PARK AT SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH is now a **Public Car Park** whereby you pay with an App on your phone. On Sunday Mornings the System is turned off until 2.00pm. If you intend to leave your car after 2.00pm you would need to enter your car registration into monitor at the back of Church,

REMEMBER, ON SUNDAY MORNINGS THERE IS NO CHANGE FROM HOW YOU PARK AT MASS.

If you attend Mass, or a meeting or whatever in the church during the week, you can park there for free, as long as when you enter the church you enter your car registration number into the monitor at the back of church.

THE NEXT PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING IS THIS FRIDAY MARCH 15th If you have any matters, you wish the council to discuss, suggestion forms are available in each porch, or contact one of the your representatives: **Denise Creswell, Jaquie Newton, Katie Obassy, Catherine Arthurs, Steve Callow, Chantale Tomlins, Mathew Ojo, Percy Nduka, Chidi Oliseowe.** We also have **Clair Christine** who represents students at Wolverhampton University. Many thanks to **Sarah Andrews** from St Michael's and **Roberto Ciraulo** from SS Peter & Paul who have agreed to be nominated as reps.

LENT LUNCH: SAT MARCH 23RD AT NOON: a brief service followed by soup lunch, St Michael's church hall. We are inviting local churches after a gap of some years so do come and welcome visitors. Contact: 336534

EASTER TREE PREPARATION: Saturday March 23rd. Young people (Yr. 6 and up) are invited to come and reflect on Holy Week, creating symbols for the Easter Tree. Youth Leaders welcome you at 6.15 in St Michael's Church Hall after the Vigil Mass. Parental permission needed. Contact: 01902 336534 (let us know if you want pizza at 7.30).

CITY CENTRE ECUMENICAL LENT TALKS Following the Holy Father's Call for us to focus on the Lord's Prayer this year in preparing for the Holy Year in 2025, the City Centre Lent Talks will all focus on different phrases in the Lord's Prayer. All the talks will be at St Peter's Collegiate Church every Monday in Lent. Soup and rolls will be served from 12.00 noon and the talks will be from 12.30pm to 1.00pm. See the notice board in the porches for more information.

THE CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOMBOURNE 'S LENT REFLECTION will be on:

Tuesday 12th March at the Methodist Church, at 12pm, Tuesday 19th March at the Venerable Bede, at 12pm. The Good Friday Walk of Witness will start at the Methodist Church at 11.30 am and conclude with a service on Windmill Bank at 12.30 pm (Friday 29th March).

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS – 12.00 Good Friday at St Michael's Church. We are looking for 14 pairs of readers from across all three churches in our Parish - either a parent and child, two siblings or two young people – to take part in this special Stations of the Cross at St Michael's on Good Friday. If you would like to be involved, please contact Liz at lizyeo@btinternet.com or Teresa at teresascragg9@gmail.com

TRIDUUM RETREAT We are restarting the tradition that stopped during Lockdown of offering a retreat over the days of the Triduum (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday). This involves coming to a talk at 10.00am on Maundy Thursday and then taking away some reading for reflection and then attending the Services of Matins on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, as well as attending the main Solemn Services of those three days. *If you would like to participate, please sign up on the notice in the porch of each church.*

CALLING ALL LADIES. Join us (Catholic Women's League) at 12.30pm on Thursday 21st March in St Michael's Church Hall. We start with discourse, an hot drink and a Shared Buffet Lunch, then say prayers and sing a hymn, followed by our convivial meeting. We discuss events for charity fundraising and reflect on a particular saint, amongst other things. A special way to help the world around us and make lovely friends. Non-Catholics can join, too. Further details from Sarah: 07948 963325. Email: sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

PARISH YOUTH GROUP every Friday 7.00-8.30pm in the Guild Room at SS Peter & Paul. All young people of the parish from **year 9 upwards** are welcome. If you would like your child to attend this club, you must fill in a **PARENTAL CONSENT FORM** and it is **your responsibility** for their travel to and from the Club. The Consent Forms are available in the porch of each church this weekend. *They must be filled in before you attend.*

MUSIC AT 11.30 AM MASS AT ST MICHAEL'S Many thanks to our Young People's Music group who have agreed to start playing at this Mass once a month after Easter. If others who play an instrument wish to join them, you are most welcome!

SVP TEA/COFFEE SESSION will be on Monday 11th March at 1.00pm at St Michael's Church Hall. It's a great opportunity for socialising and meeting friends and parishioners. All are welcome.

SAFEGUARDING CONCERN AT SS PETER & PAUL Please ensure that your children are supervised at all times on a Sunday Morning. Young children have been lighting and playing with the votive candles and running round the church. ***It is important that we keep each other safe. Many thanks.***

PREPARING FOR HOLY WEEK, A POETRY WORKSHOP WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON. Wednesday 20 March 1430 followed by poetry reading at 4pm -St. Peter's Wolverhampton. Join poet, R. M. Francis, Course Leader for Creative and Professional Writing, University of Wolverhampton, for this poetry workshop inspired by the imagery and themes of Holy Week. All are welcome - those new to poetry as well as experienced writers, and the workshop is designed for all interested in the ideas of Holy Week - all faiths and none, all viewpoints, all voices.

GOD INVITES YOU TO RELATIONSHIP –a short course introducing ways of praying in the ways of St Ignatius. For people who want to deepen/expand their prayer-life and make it more personal between them and God. Four Friday evenings in a row, starting after Easter (12/4/2024) each at 7.30pm to 9.00pm in St Michael's Hall. No need to book, just turn up - to all sessions or to what you can manage. Each evening will be a standalone. The evenings will be presented by members of *Manresa Link*. Week one will introduce one way of Stilling (placing ourselves into God's presence BEFORE we pray) and then Lectio Divina – a Scripture based way of listening to God speaking to us as individuals.

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE to EVESHAM. Site of first Marian Shrine in England 706AD. All welcome. **Tuesday 7th May.** Coach from St Michael's at 9.30am. Free time, Rosary, and Mass at 2.00pm then shared Afternoon Tea. Depart 5.00pm. £25. (£10 deposit) Sign-up sheet at the back of church or contact Sarah 07948963325 Email sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI **Monday 4th November to Sunday 10th November.**

There is now a dedicated Website for our trip <https://www.icijourneys.com/carlosacutis> where you can download the booking form.

If you do not use the internet, booking forms are available from Fr Mark.

For any other enquiries contact our Travel Agent *JCTours* on 01886 812 862

Mission and Outreach

APPEAL FOR SUDAN: Many congratulations to Diane who completed the Brighton Half Marathon last Sunday in 2 hours 45minutes, running the last 3 miles against gale force winds! Your sponsorship money will be used to reconnect the electricity supply in the school. A massive thank you from both Diane and Sr Angelina for your generosity and support.

FOOD BANK: This week's donations have been distributed by The Grove Primary School. Would you consider donating some essential household items such as washing powder/washing up liquid/ kitchen or toilet roll OR toiletries such as shampoo/ soap/ toothbrushes and toothpaste/sanitary products OR dried/tinned/jars of food AND DURING LENT Easter Eggs for our Ukrainian Refugee children. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH Many thanks for recent donations of goods for our charity shop. If you have goods to donate and can't take them to the shop at 12 Lichfield Street WV1 1DG please leave them in the boxes provided at St Michael's or St Bernadette's. We're also grateful for the baby clothes and equipment given; we hand them on to needy local families who ask for our help. If you know anyone who needs such help, please advise them to email wolverhampton@lifecharity.org.uk

LIFE CHARITY MOTHERING SUNDAY CAKE, PLANT AND GIFT SALE We are holding our annual cake, plant, and gift sale in St Michael's Hall after 11.30am Mass, this Sunday, March 10th. Please come and join us for a cup of tea and cake after Mass or take away some lovely treats for tea. All proceeds will go to helping children in the Wolverhampton area.

THE BIG LENT WALK - CAFOD 2024: Petula will be taking on the Big Lent Walk! 200km in 40 days throughout Lent, to raise funds to help fight and overcome global poverty. If you wish to sponsor Petula, please place your donation in an envelope marked 'Petula: Big Lent Walk' and leave at your church or you can donate via the following online link: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/the-big-lent-walk-20242024> Every step we take is a step closer to a fairer world. Let's tell poverty to jog on! Thank you.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND would like to thank all parishioners for the crib collection of £715.17 for Christians in the Holy Land. Your donation will help us to support the most vulnerable at this very challenging time. Please continue to pray for the Holy Land and a peaceful resolution.

CAFOD Easter Raffle Tickets for this year's Raffle will be on sale after Masses this weekend. The draw for a Fairtrade Hamper and two smaller prizes will take place on 28th March, and the winners announced at Easter.

CAFOD's Lent Family Fast Day: Thank you for giving to the CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal this Lent. Your generous donations, given in love, will support families around the world and help them with the resources to feed their families for good. If you want, you can still give online at: [Family Fast Day](#)

Finance

200 Club February Draw Winners: No: 47A Stacy McHale £50.00 No: 11A Valerie Rayney £10.00

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 3rd March 2024						
	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	271.33	340.60	88.05	53.00		752.98
Gift Aid		56.00	15.00	33.00		104.00
Mass Attendance	309	95, 202	122			728
Standing Order: February 2024: £4508.75						
Second Collection : Cathedral Maintenance £167.53						

Prayer

SHORT PENITENTIAL RITE FOR LENT

Have mercy on us, O Lord. **For we have sinned against you.**

Show us, O Lord, your mercy. **And grant us your salvation.**

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Kyrie, eléison. **Kyrie, eléison.** Christe, eléison. **Christe, eléison.** Kyrie, eléison. **Kyrie, eléison.**

ADORATION AT THE CARMELITE MONASTERY IN LENT Every Sunday afternoon, from 2.00pm until after 5.00 pm Vespers. All are welcome!

ONLINE PRAYER RESOURCES FOR LENT On our diocesan website there are many new resources available:

[Lent and Easter 2024 | Birmingham Diocesan Trust \(birminghamdiocese.org.uk\)](#)

You can also follow monthly prayer sessions with our own Fr Toby Duckworth on:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/News/pause-for-prayer-monthly-reflections-launched>

There is also a great resource if you would like to set up a faith sharing group to look at the Lords Prayer. <https://shorturl.at/bixzA>

SILENT ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Monday **5.45 pm – 6.20 pm** in Lady Chapel at St Michael's. **Thursday 10.00am to 11.00am** at St Bernadette's. **Saturday 10.30am- 11.30am** in Lady Chapel at St Michael's

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 will resume to 4th Thursday of the month from January 2024. 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 meet in the Lady Chapel at St. Michael's every Tuesday at 5.00pm for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join in for prayer.

SHEKINAH PRAYER GROUP will meet in the Lady Chapel at St Michael's every Friday for the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5.00pm to 6.00pm during Lent. We look forward to many families joining us.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH: Simon Hawley, John Chell, Jan Taylor, Rodney Young, Morris Young, Elaine Howell, Magdalena de Rosario, Mary Ware, Rosa Tse, Antonia Colabella, Valerie Hinton, Rodney McKinney, Elizabeth Firth, Michael Foley, Ray O'Gorman, Pat Noad, Sheila Powell, Sheila Percy, Rose Curtis, Margaret Gay, Maurice Gay, Josephine Mann, Anna McGrath, Andy Hyatt, Mary Hill, Johny Burke, Charles Halldron, Marjorie Halldron, Ben McKearney, Philomena Labdy, Steve Kavanagh, Antony Cosgrove, Sheila Botwood, R. J, Holly Burke, Peter and Margaret Holmes, M Mary, Katherine Poole, Ann Bayley, Patrick Quinn, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Helen Porter, Brendan Bleakley, Mary Ware

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Trevor Stockton, Mary McKensie, Riccardo Massacano, Brendan McLaughlin, **May they rest in peace.**

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