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16th MARCH SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	
Parish Mass Book Page No.156	
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael <i>Liz Murphy RIP</i>	10.15 am SS Peter & Paul <i>The recently departed</i>
9.00 am St Bernadette <i>Patricia Kearney RIP</i>	11.30 am St Michael <i>Frances Courtney RIP</i>
	4.00pm St Michael <i>Syro Malabar Liturgy</i>
Monday 17 th March Lent Feria	
5.45pm St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	6.30pm St Michael <i>James Collins RIP</i>
Tuesday 18 th March Lent Feria	
12.00pm St Michael <i>Robert Robbins -Ann.</i>	6.30 pm SS Peter & Paul <i>pro populo</i>
Wednesday 19 th March Lent Feria	
9.30am St Bernadette <i>Holy Souls</i>	4.00pm St Michael <i>Vigil Reception Martha Morris RIP</i>
10.00am St Bernadette <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	
Thursday 20 th March Lent Feria	
10.00am St Bernadette Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	12.30pm St Michael <i>Requiem Martha Morris RIP</i>
Friday 21 st March Lent Feria	
9.30 am St Bernadette <i>Glancey RIP</i>	6.00pm St Michael <i>Holy Souls</i>
12.00 pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	6.30pm St Michael <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
12.30 pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Tony O'Connell RIP</i>	
<i>Followed by Confessions</i>	
Saturday 22 nd March Lent Feria	
10.00am St Michael <i>Holy Souls</i>	11.00am St Michael <i>Confessions</i>
10.30am St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
23rd MARCH THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael <i>David Blee</i>	10.15 am SS Peter & Paul <i>Chris Walsh RIP</i>
9.00 am St Bernadette <i>Pro populo</i>	11.30 am St Michael <i>Holy Souls</i>
	4.00pm St Michael <i>Syro Malabar Liturgy</i>
Parish Priest: Mgr. Canon Mark Crisp, Assistant: Rev Fr. Alex Taylor, Deacons: Rev. Mr. Michael McKearney, Rev. Mr Gerry Bowen. Pastoral Assistants: Sr. Lydwin and Sr. Ancita. Sisters of St Ann of Providence. Parish Office: 173 Coalway Road WV3 7ND, 01902 341343 Parish House, 51 North Street, 01902 423005 St Michael's Hall Bookings: bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk St. Bernadette's Hall: Alison Banyard, 07581 340921 Hospital Chaplaincy New Cross 01902 695098, Russell's Hall 01384 456111 ext. 2352 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.

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LENT

STATIONS OF THE CROSS SS Peter & Paul every Friday at 12.00 noon. St Michael Every Friday at 6.30pm and St Bernadette every Wednesday at 10.00am.

CITY CENTRE ECUMENICAL LENT TALKS The theme this year is **THE GOD WHO SPEAKS**: *Deepening our understanding of the Word of God in Lent*. Five different speakers will reflect on one of their favourite books of the Bible. All the talks will be at St Peter's Collegiate Church on the Mondays of Lent. Soup and rolls will be served from 12.00 noon, and the talks will be from 12.30pm to 1.00pm. All Welcome!

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOMBOURNE: Lent Reflections 2025 Lunch time reflections: 12 till 12:30 pm **Food:** Lunch served afterwards, along with drinks **Theme: 'Courage for the Journey'**

Kingsway, Wed 19th March, URC. Tues 25th March St. Bernadette's. Tues 1st April Methodist
Tues 8th April Venerable Bede

Walk of Witness = Friday 18th April, starting from Methodist Church @ 11:30 am

LENTEN EXPOSITION AT CARMEL During Lent, there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Carmel every Sunday, from 2.00pm until after Vespers, at 5.00pm. There will be no First Friday Exposition until after Easter.

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP During Lent, Ss Mary and John Parish will be hosting a **Lectio Divina Prayer Group** on Zoom on Tuesdays at 7.30pm. **Lectio Divina** is an ancient practice, developed by the Benedictine Order. It is a slow, contemplative praying of the Scriptures. The purpose is to listen to what God wishes to say to each one of us through his Holy Word. All are welcome to join us with your Bible on the following link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88026345114?pwd=Z282mDsPdYQr1D6dSvaHkflS0SHoSJ.1>

Meeting ID: 880 2634 5114 Passcode: fz19ZD

For more information, please contact Alexis at alexispottinger@gmail.com

News and Activities

WE WELCOME Sister **Ancita D'Souza** the first of our two new parish sisters who arrived this week. We also welcome her Provincial, Sister Cicily Mathew who has come on visitation to the parish. We wish Sister Ancita every blessing as she begins her new ministry with us.

CANONISATION OF SAINT CARLO ACUTIS Sunday 27th April 2025. This is the Sunday after Easter Sunday. THERE IS ONLY ONE MASS in the parish that Weekend. This will be at 9.30am at St Michael's Church and will be celebrated by Bishop Timothy Menezes. There will be a large screen set up in the church and at 9.30am we will watch the declaration of the canonisation in Rome. This lasts about half an hour and then we will start the Entrance Hymn of our Mass. Mass should be over by about 11.15am. There will then be a reception for everyone who has come to Mass at **St Edmund's Catholic Academy**.

WE HAVE BEGUN WORK ON THE SHRINE. We now have a reliquary to house the relic of Blessed Carlo in the Lady Chapel at St Michael's. It has been beautifully created by local craftsmen **Barry Owen** and **Peter Pennington**. It is inscribed on the front with the Tau of St Francis and one of the famous saying of Blessed Carlo: "**non io, ma Dio**". This means '**not me but God**' which sums up the focus on Blessed Carlo's life. The altar is not finished yet, as some more parishioners are making an altar frontal which will show more of the context of Blessed Carlo's devotion to St Francis and St Clare of Assisi.

FUND RAISING FOR THE CANONISATION We have set up a special fund to develop our shrine of St Carlo in the Lady Chapel in St Michael's and create an information and learning centre about St Carlo with a big screen for videos, and displays with photographs and information for pilgrims. On our Website there is now a special page dedicated to this fund where people can donate directly <https://www.carloacutis.co.uk/canonisation-fund.html>

We are also having **SPRING RAFFLE** which will be drawn during the party on the day of the Canonisation. Tickets will be on sale this weekend.

SVP TEA/COFFEE SESSION: Monday 17th March at 1.00pm at St Michael's Church Hall. All are welcome.

JOINT CHOIR PRACTICES FOR THE EASTER TRIDUUM The three days of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil, are the most important services in the Church's year. We would like as many people as possible to join the choir so that we can celebrate these days with great dignity. Please consider coming along to our practices on the following **Friday evenings at 7.00pm at St Michael's Church**: March 14th, March 28th, April 4th, and April 11th. Many thanks.

ARE ANY PARISHIONERS INTERESTED IN CREATIVE WRITING AND SPOKEN WORD? Janet Chand is looking to set up a small group to focus on Christ's Passion. If successful, an anthology will be produced. Eventually other religions will be approached to encourage community cohesion. Janet Chand 07494391961 or janet.chand@hotmail.co.uk

ST BERNADETTE'S CHURCH, we need more volunteers to join the cleaning team. Cleaners work in pairs on a rotating basis, so you would be cleaning the church approximately once a month; it takes roughly two hours. Obviously, the more cleaners we have the less often you would be needed. If you feel you could help out, please contact Judith Pitt who organises the rota; her telephone number is: 07904 819310 and her email is: judithpitt64@gmail.com Thank you.

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

DIOCESAN DAY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM SATURDAY 10TH MAY 2025: Year of Jubilee Please see the poster in the porch or check out the Diocesan website with more information.

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/join-the-diocesan-day-pilgrimage-to-walsingham-this-jubilee-year>

If you are interested in going on the coach from Stourbridge, contact bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM Thank you to everyone who has already registered. *We now have 160 who have completed the form. It is wonderful that we have so many volunteers!*

If anyone has not registered yet, please do so by clicking on this link

<https://forms.office.com/e/HEvsLU7QDR> or using this QR code.



ITALIAN MASS Every third Sunday of the month, Mass is celebrated in Italian at ST Patrick's Walsall at 12.00 pm. ST Patrick's Church, Blue Lane East, Walsall WS2 8HN

DIRECTORS FOR THE NEW ST GABRIEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST (CMAT) If you're passionate about making a difference in Catholic Education and want to be part of this historic initiative, please contact: Mr Mark O'Connell Senior Adviser for Academy Development academies@bdes.org.uk 07984 528321

Mission and Outreach

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection: Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection and be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities experiencing the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call us on 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.

This QR code to take supporters straight to CAFOD's virtual envelope where they make their donation.



CAFOD: Big Lent Walk 2025. Once again, Petula is taking part in The Big Lent Walk, **please sponsor me!** I will journey together with Catholics in England, Wales and Scotland as Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year - **walking 200km over 40 days** during Lent. Your donations can change lives. Every £1 raised through the Big Lent Walk will help fight poverty globally in countries like Afghanistan, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan and support communities like Lokho's in Kenya, experiencing the worst impact of the climate crisis, to rebuild their lives in hope. You can sponsor me by leaving your donation at your church in an envelope with my name on (Petula Nurse: CAFOD Lent walk) or online using the link: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/petulas-fundraising-page>

EASTER EGGS for our UKRAINIAN REFUGEE CHILDREN: If you wish to donate Easter Eggs for Ukrainian Refugee Children who live in Wolverhampton and the surrounding area please leave them at your church's Food Collection point. They will be gratefully received! Thank you.

LIFE CHARITY MOTHERING SUNDAY CAKE AND GIFT SALE We will be holding our annual cake and gift sale in St Michael's Hall after 11.30am Mass on Mothering Sunday, March 30th. We will be extremely grateful for any cake donations and would be delighted to see you on the day, where you can enjoy a cake and cup of tea after Mass or take a treat home for tea. All proceeds will go to helping local families and their children. For any queries, please contact Sue on 07484 875043.

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 St Edmund's Catholic Academy. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Finance

Winners of 300 Club February Draw: No 294 Philomena Grey £75.00

No. 58 Roberto £10.00

You can donate to the Sunday Offertory Collection through the website by using this QR code.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 9th March 2025						
	SS PP	St M	SB	Card Readers	Website	Total
Gift Aid		90.00	10.00			100.00
Non-Gift Aid	219.14	433.00	92.53	51.00	30.00	825.67
Attendance	238	104, 245	95			682
<i>Standing Order: February 2025 £ 4464.52</i>						
<i>Next Second Collection 16th March Lent CAFOD</i>						



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 meet in the Lady Chapel at St. Michael's on Tuesdays at 5.00pm for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join in for prayer.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH: Carol Hyatt, Pat Grady, 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, 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: Barbara Kocon, Bernard Hand, James Collins, Martha Morris, Margaret Gay, **May they rest in peace.**

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