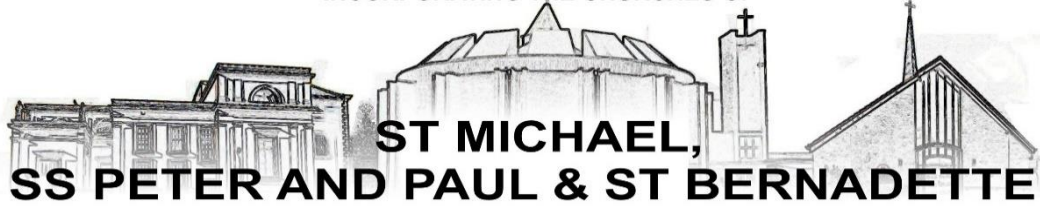




THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

Timetable of Masses and Services 19th March 2023

19th March 2023 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - Laetare Sunday

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael Gillian Fellows RIP
 9.00 am St Bernadette Father Mark
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Hugh Robinson RIP (Confessions after Mass)
 11.30 am St Michael Ben Sherry RIP
 5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy

Monday 20th March Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Bl Virgin Mary

1.00pm St Bernadette Funeral service Carmel Majella Walsh RIP
 5.45pm St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 6.30pm St Michael Pro populo

Tuesday 21st March Lent Feria

9.30am SS Peter & Paul Service of Word and Communion

Wednesday 22nd March Lent Feria

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

Thursday 23rd March Lent Feria

10.00 am St Bernadette Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 12.00pm St Michael Hazel Onions

Friday 24th March Lent Feria

11.30am SS Peter & Paul Stations of the Cross
 12.00 noon SS Peter & Paul Peter Jarai RIP
 12.30pm SS Peter & Paul Divine Mercy Devotion
 6.30pm St Michael Stations of the Cross

Saturday 25th March Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

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

26th March 2023 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael Wladyslaw Lukanski RIP
 9.00 am St Bernadette Pro populo
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Eugene Finnegan RIP (Confessions after Mass)
 11.30 am St Michael Jennifer Bressers RIP
 5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy

THE CARMELITE MONASTERY Daily Mass at 9.00 am

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SAFEGUARDING NOTICE In line with Diocesan safeguarding regulations, 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.

Thank you for your help in keeping our children safe.

News and Activities

PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE ARCHBISHOP As we had already planned for a Missionary Appeal over the last two weekends, it will not be possible for the Pastoral Letter to be read out at the 9.00am and 11.30am Masses on Sunday. There will be copies available for each family at the back of church at these two Masses. The letter will be read at the 5.30pm and 10.15am Masses and a copy of the letter is available on the 'News Page' of parish website.

MISSIONARY APPEAL this weekend again we will be welcoming priests from the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (used to be called the Holy Ghost Fathers). They will do missionary appeals this Sunday at 9.00am and 11.30am Masses. The second collections at these Masses will be for their missionary work. The second collections on Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 10.15am Masses will be for the Cathedral Maintenance Fund.

ARRIVAL OF A NEW PARISH SISTER: Providence did provide, Providence can provide, and Providence will provide. We are so pleased to inform you that Providence has willed to send us a sister to replace Sr Rita. Sr Anna Maria Saldanha will arrive in the parish on Wednesday 29th March 2023. We wish her a safe journey and a pleasant time among us. Sr Lydwyn sincerely thanks Fr Mark, Fr Sean, Fr Brendon, Deacon Mick and all our parishioners for your understanding, support, kindness and prayers during the past two months in the absence of Sr Rita.

ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS Beginning at 12 noon on Dudley St in Wolverhampton City Centre (Street evangelisation starting from 10am). Please make every effort to come to this wonderful opportunity to witness to our faith in the sacrificial love of Jesus. Last year's witness saw people coming back to faith! Feel free to just come along, or if you would like to volunteer to help read, steward or distribute leaflets email Fr Sean (fr.sean.gough@rcaob.org.uk).

LENTEN PENANCE EVENING will be on Tuesday in Holy Week, **4th April from 6.30-8.00pm**. This is a great opportunity that the Church offers for all the faithful for Confessions as a preparation for the celebration of Easter. You are free to go to any of the following churches: Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Cannock Road, Corpus Christi, Ashmore Park, St Michael's, Penn, St Mary and John, City Centre, St Patrick's, Heath Town, St Joseph's Wolverhampton.

THE BCA CHOIR WILL BE PRACTISING FOR THE EASTER SERVICES We are appealing for singers from **ALL THREE CHURCHES across the parish** as we are practicing for the Easter Vigil. New members are very welcome! The practices are on the following dates: Friday 24th & 31st March 7.00pm at St. Michael's Church. St Michael's Church also urgently needs a pianist /organist for Saturday evenings /Sunday mornings, to join our wonderful team. If you can help in any way that would be great, (not asking for a weekly commitment, but maybe once a month) please contact Margaret Pennington, 01902 620909 /07531 227761.

EXTRA PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES IN LENT Please note the extra times for confession that are being provided on Sundays and Stations of the Cross on Fridays.

LENTEN ECUMENICAL EVENTS Please refer to posters at the back of Church for full details. But the following ecumenical events will be taking place this Lent:

Wombourne: 12.00pm start time for a short reflection followed by a simple lunch.

21st March – Methodist Church, 28th March – St Benedict's CofE.

City Centre: A simple soup lunch on Mondays of Lent, followed by a short talk led by church minister and Q&A's on various themes relating to what all Christians share in common. 12 noon – 1.00 pm

March 20 - St Peter's CofE – Rev. Clare, March 27 - SSPP – Rev. Linda, April 3 - St Peter's CofE – Rev. Sarah.

DECORATE AN EASTER EGG COMPETITION Please ensure that all eggs are returned by no Later than Sunday the 26th March to ensure you don't miss your chance to win. Don't forget to include the participants name, age and a means of contact. Thanks!!

SAMOSA SALE Delicious Samosas will be on sale after all Masses on the 25th and 26th March, all the proceeds will be going to support the fundraising efforts of the young parishioners who are going to World Youth Day.

SVP COFFEE MORNINGS There are two coffee mornings next week-Wednesday 22nd March at 11.00am in St Michael's church hall and Thursday 23rd March at 11.00am in St Bernadette's church hall. Come along and enjoy good company and refreshments. If you need transport, please contact David Spinks at 07544960402.

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.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY'S SHRINE AT WALSINGHAM 25th/ 26th/ 27th July 2023

A wonderful opportunity for our three churches to join together for a Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham with Father Mark as our Spiritual Leader. We will travel by coach which will remain with us throughout our stay to assist with transportation for those a little less able. Accommodation will be at the Pilgrim Bureau in Little Walsingham and rooms available will be a mix of single, double and triple rooms, so some sharing may be necessary.

The cost is £250.00 per person and includes travel, accommodation and dinner and bed & breakfast for 2 nights.

If you would like to join us, please put your name and contact details on the form at the back of each church or call Steve Callow 01902 340775

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

AUGUST PARISH RETREAT DAY / HARVINGTON HALL PILGRIMAGE - we are hoping to organize a Pilgrimage on August 10th, but we need to see what the interest level is in the Parish. There will be sign-up sheets at the entrance to each of our three churches. Please sign up if you are interested, there is no commitment at this stage. Any questions you can call David Spinks on 07544960402.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES We are encouraged by the general revival of interest in the pilgrimage following COVID and particularly by the number of young people that we expect to attend. People can travel as a Diocesan Pilgrim or Affiliate. For more information - admin.lourdes@rcaob.org.uk / 0121 230 6288. To book now go to <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/birmingham-lde>

WOLVERHAMPTON CHAMBER CHOIR PRESENTS: The Way of The Cross - A journey through Holy Week in words and music including a rare performance of Joseph Hayden's - The Passion (the seven last words of our Saviour on the cross) Paul Trepte - Piano, Directed by Geoffrey Weaver 4.30 pm, Sunday 26 March 2023. St Michael and All Angels Church, Church Road, Tettenhall, WV6 9AJ. Admission free, with donations to choir expenses invited. Suggested donation for this event £10. Thank you.

MARSTON SINGERS' CONCERT at SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church, 51 North Street, Wolverhampton, WV1 1RJ on Saturday 29th April 2023 at 7.00pm. Tickets-£7.00(children under 12-free) All proceeds go to charity. Raffle tickets available on the night. For tickets, please contact Linda -07981233070 or any member of the Choir.

FAMILY SKITTLES NIGHT for FOOD BANK & WATER AID: Sat 25th March, 7pm in St Michael's Church Hall. BYO drinks and nibbles. Tea, coffee, squash and raffle available. ALL WELCOME. Playing skittles not compulsory. Bring friends & family. No booking required. Details from Sarah: 07948 963325

Mission and Outreach

FATHER HUDSON'S CARE on Monday evening 20th March, 7.30 -8.30 p.m. there is an online Zoom session for anyone interested in how parishes can support older people and those who experience dementia. It has been prepared by Father Hudson's Care working with a number of local parish groups. The session is free. Please sign up at <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/a-welcoming-church-1741579> .You will then be sent a reminder 2 days, 2 hours and 30 minutes before the start.

CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES Statements on Buffer Zones and Migrants

This week the Bishops of England and Wales have released important statements concerning Buffer Zones and Migrant Policy. To read the full statements, either go to the 'News Page' of the parish website or go direct to:

www.cbcew.org.uk/news/

A GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITY: Are you 18-30, or do you know someone who is? Do you want to develop a wide range of skills including leadership while learning about global justice and inspiring others to use their faith in action? CAFOD, believes in equipping and inspiring young adults to contribute to a more just and peaceful world. Step into the Gap is a fully funded year of volunteering, with food, accommodation, stipend and training within a UK placement plus a Rome and Assisi pilgrimage. Visit the CAFOD website for more information: cafod.org.uk/gapyear

THE BIG LENT WALK: CAFOD 2023 Petula will be taking on the Big Lent Walk! 200km in 40 days throughout Lent, 2023 to raise funds to help fight global poverty. If you would like to sponsor Petula, you can place your donation in an envelope for 'Petula: Big Lent Walk' and leave at church or via the following online link: <https://cafod.enthuse.com/pf/petula-nurse> Many thanks.

THE FOOD COLLECTION Would you consider donating just a couple of essential household items such as washing up liquid/washing powder/ toilet roll / kitchen roll or tins/jars of food AND EASTER EGGS at one of our churches during Lent please? The schools and individuals who receive them are so appreciative. The demand for food parcels continues to outstrip the supply at our main food banks. This has been the case for many months. This week's donations have been distributed by Warstones Primary School. Cash donations have bought supermarket vouchers for distribution by schools, recently St Anthony's RC and St Paul's C of E. Thank you so much..

FARESHARE is next at St Michael's Church Hall on Wednesday 22nd March and 12th April at 1.45pm. FareShare is a UK charity that aims to relieve food poverty and reduce food waste by redistributing in-date, good quality surplus food.

LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH Please support our Cake Sale after 11.30 Mass at St Michael's, on Mothering Sunday 19th March. We hope to have our usual good selection for you to choose from. Donations of cakes on the day will be very welcome, please help if you can. We are grateful for all the goods donated for our charity shop via the boxes at St Michael's and St Bernadette's. We also welcome baby and toddler clothes and equipment such as pushchairs which we give to needy families. If you have heavy or bulky items to give, we are able to collect them, please ring Rosalie on 01902330553.

Finance

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 12th March 2023

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	348.07	288.00	65.30	36.00		737.37
Gift Aid	20.00	104.00	17.00	18.00		159.00
Second Collection: Mission Appeal 359.14		Cathedral Maintenance 113.00				
Standing Order for February 2023 £4065.91						

Second Collection this weekend 18th/19th 5.30pm and 10.15am Cathedral Maintenance 9.00am and 11.30am Spiritan Mission Appeal

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.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS will be taking place after Sunday Masses at SS Peter & Paul after Easter.

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 March 23rd. All are welcome. For more information, contact Tina Abbiss on 07970196224 or email tina.abbiss59@hotmail.com

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 meets on **Tuesdays at 5.00pm** in the Lady Chapel at St Michael's Church. We welcome new members.

SHEKINAH PRAYER GROUP is not meeting at St Michael's during Lent because of **Stations of the Cross at 6.30pm.**

<p>FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH: 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, Johnny 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</p>
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<p>PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Philip Doherty, Deacon Hugh Robinson, Christian Atsu, Hugh Robbins, George Renkevic, Antony Wyer, May Goodenough, Richard Rogers. May they rest in peace.</p>
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