



# THE PARISH OF SAINT CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



## ST MICHAEL

## SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE



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### 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael Roy Bayley RIP

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul Nicola & Gigiola lafigliola RIP

9.00 am St Bernadette John & Mary Abbiss RIP

11.30 am St Michael Private Intention

4.00pm St Michael Syro Malabar Service

### 2<sup>nd</sup> March Monday Feast of St. Chad

5.45pm St Michael Adoration

6.30pm St Michael John Wallace RIP

### 3<sup>rd</sup> March Tuesday Lent Feria

6.30 pm SS Peter & Paul Lady Chapel John Murphy RIP

### 4<sup>th</sup> March Wednesday Lent Feria

10.00am SB with school *Pro populo*

### 5<sup>th</sup> March Thursday Lent Feria

12.00pm St Michael Maureen – 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

4.30pm St Bernadette Vigil Reception John Abbiss RIP

### 6<sup>th</sup> March Friday Lent Feria

12.00pm St Bernadette Requiem John Abbiss RIP

12.30pm SS Peter & Paul Patrick Jim O'Sullivan RIP

12.00pm SS Peter & Paul Stations of the Cross

6.30pm St Michael Stations of the Cross

### 7<sup>th</sup> March Saturday Lent Feria

10.30am St Michael Adoration

11.00am St Michael Confessions

### 8<sup>th</sup> MARCH THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm St Michael Canon Anthony Allport  
RIP

10.15am SS Peter & Paul Henry & Judith Soronnadi

11.30 am St Michael Paolo Ianniello RIP

9.00 am St Bernadette John Abbiss RIP

4.00pm St Michael Syro Malabar Service

**Parish Priest:** Mgr. Canon Mark Crisp, **Assistant Priest:** Rev. Fr. Gerry Bowen.

**Deacons:** Rev. Mr. Michael McKearney and Rev. Mr. Jonathan Henry.

**Pastoral Assistants:** Sr. Sophia and Sr. Ancita, Sisters of St Ann of Providence.

**Parish Administrator:** Marie Yeo [pfc.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:pfc.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk)

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**For Online Masses, go to** [www.carloacutis.co.uk](http://www.carloacutis.co.uk) **Parish Facebook page:** @carloacutisparish

**Mass at Carmelite Monastery 9.00am every morning**

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, Alison Banyard and Marie Yeo.

They can be contacted at: [sg.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto: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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# News and Activities

**LENT** For all Masses in Lent we will use the Short Penitential Rite and sing the Mass Common (Holy Holy etc) in Latin. We will also use the Apostles' Creed after the Homily.

**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.

**CATHOSOC AND YOUNG ADULTS GROUP** each week we will follow the "*WE DARE TO ASK*" course from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. This comprises five sessions which reflect on the Baptismal promises we make or renew at Easter. We meet every Tuesday at Giffard House from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. (Entrance through the church side door). For more information contact [mgr.mark.crisp@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:mgr.mark.crisp@rcaob.org.uk)

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOMBOURNE:** Lent Reflections 2026: 12 till 12:30pm. Lunch served afterwards, along with drinks. Theme: 'Matthew's Gospel'. Wed 4th March, URC; Tues 10th March, St. Bernadette's; Tues 17th March, Methodist; Tues 24th March, Venerable Bede.

**Walk of Witness** Friday 3rd April, starting from Methodist Church at 11:30am.

**CITY CENTRE ECUMENICAL LENT TALKS** The theme this year is "*FAITH THROUGH ART*". Each Monday of Lent, different speakers will reflect on a piece of art that speaks to them of faith in God. All talks will take place in St Peter's Coffee Shop, 4, Exchange Street WV1 1TS. Soup and rolls will be available from 12.00 noon. The talk will begin at 12.30 pm promptly and finish by 1.00pm, including time for discussion. All welcome.

**CAFOD Family Fast Day was last Friday and the Second collection today is for your donation.** It will help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. You can also donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10. Thank You.

**CAFOD's Big Lent Walk 2026:** Petula has signed up for CAFOD's Big Lent Walk 2026! "This Lent, I'm walking 200km over 40 days in solidarity with those who walk miles each day just to access safe water. Your sponsorship will help bring clean, safe water to communities around the world. This Lenten challenge is really important to me, and your support would mean so much. Will you support my walk? You can leave your donation at your church in an envelope with my name on (Petula Nurse: CAFOD Lent walk) or donate online on my JustGiving page using this link: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/petulas-fundraising-page2026>. Thank you."

**"I WILL SING TO THE LORD!" LENT MORNING OF RECOLLECTION:** Saturday 7th March at 10.00am at St Michael's Hall, Deacon Jonathan will be presenting on the role of music in Christian spirituality and worship, concluding with a 'Bring and Share' lunch at 1pm. All welcome.

**SPONSORED RUN FOR OUR YOUTH GROUP:** On Saturday 28th March, Deacon Jonathan will be running a half marathon from Saints Peter and Paul Church to Saint Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham, raising funds to subsidise our Youth Group's trip to the KYT Summer Camp at Alton Castle. Over the course of Lent, he is hoping to raise £2,200, covering the cost of ten spaces for our young people on this faith-forming experience. Donations will be gratefully received from this weekend.

**THE REQUIEM MASS FOR JOHN ABBISS** The vigil reception for John Abbiss will take place on Thursday 5th March at 4.30pm at St Bernadette's Church. The funeral will be held at St Bernadette's church at 12 noon on Friday 6th March, followed by burial at Sytch Lane Cemetery (family only). The Wake will be held at Wombourne Civic Centre. Gravel Hill. WV5 9HA. Donations for The Good Shepherd. Wolverhampton via donation box in church.

**THE ARCHDIOCESE** is looking for a part time **Safeguarding Administration Support Officer**. The closing date for applications is Monday 3rd March so if you are interested you need to pally this weekend. See the link on the website for information on the role: [Jobs & Volunteering Opportunities | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](#)

**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](mailto:lizyeo@btinternet.com) or Teresa at [teresascragg9@gmail.com](mailto:teresascragg9@gmail.com) or text Teresa on 07979697068.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** This year the local services will be at 2pm St Bart's Church Penn or 2pm at St Benedict Biscop Church Wombourne. The service has been prepared by the women of Nigeria. We would appreciate any help from parishioners from Nigeria. Please contact Margaret Pennington (St Michael's) 01902 620909 / 07531227761. or Marese O'Dwyer (St Bernadette's) 01384833548 / 07903496810. We look forward to seeing you at one of the services.

**SVP TEA/COFFEE SESSION** will take place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 1.00pm at St Michael's church hall. It's wonderful 'get-together' to make friends, for a chat and socialising. Plenty of cups of tea/coffee with lovely food. All are welcome.

**KYT SUMMER CAMP (16TH-20TH AUGUST 2026).** For young people aged 12-18. Deadline for Registration is **10th March 2026**. Please complete this registration form to sign up to go with St. Carlo Acutis Parish Youth Group. [St. Carlo Acutis Parish Youth Summer Camp Registration – Fill out form](#)



**DAY OF RECOLLECTION – BELMONT ABBEY** Belmont Abbey, Ruckhall Lane, Hereford HR2 9RZ Saturday, 7th March 2026. Led by V. Rev Dom Alexander Kenyon, the Prior of Belmont. 10.30-3.30pm. For further information: [andrewgrant2026@btinternet.com](mailto:andrewgrant2026@btinternet.com)

**NEW DRAFT CONSITUTION OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL.** To read this new draft, please go to the [Parish News Page of our Website](#). If you have any comments, please send them to [mgr.mark.crisp@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:mgr.mark.crisp@rcaob.org.uk) I have received a couple of helpful emails already and if anyone else wishes to comment, please do so. We will be having a parish meeting for all parishioners on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 3.00pm in St Michael's Hall where we can address this new way forward. All Welcome!

**FILMING AND PHOTOGRAPHS DURING MASS.** Following guidance from the Diocese filming and photographs are not permitted during Mass. You are welcome to take photographs/film after the mass has finished as long as the persons included have given their permission.

## Mission and Outreach

**FOOD COLLECTION** Donations of FOOD (tinned/dried/cereal/biscuits/squash/tea/coffee), TOILETRIES (shampoo/toothpaste/toothbrushes/sanitary products/soap/deodorant) and ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS (kitchen and toilet roll/washing up liquid/washing powder) are greatly needed by our FSM families. Last week's donations and Aldi Orange gift cards were distributed by Field View School in Bilston. Thank you for your continued support.

**DONATIONS FOR LIFE CHARITY SHOP** - Please use the Bank (which is in the rear car park at St Michael's) for your donations of clothes, bric-a-brac etc. Please pack any breakable items carefully before posting them in the box. Thanks for your support and any queries please contact Marie @ [pfc.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:pfc.stcarlo.wolves@rcaob.org.uk)

**LIFE CARING OUTREACH** welcomes your donations of baby clothes and of items such as cots, pushchairs, etc. We hand these on to local needy mothers and babies. If you can help please ring Rosalie on 01902 330553 or email [rosalie.watkins@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:rosalie.watkins@blueyonder.co.uk) to arrange collection

**TUB2PUB IS BACK:** Thank you to everyone who recycled their sweet tubs and raised money for Macmillan Cancer Support. The scheme has now closed until next Christmas. 60+ were recycled via the Bradmore Arms, Trysull Rd. Thanks.

**NATIONAL MEN'S PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE** Calling men of all ages and states of life: book your place at 'Commissioned', the National Men's Pro-life Conference, on April 18th at Birmingham Christian College. Through compelling talks on fatherhood, marriage, spiritual warfare and sexual responsibility, learn to live out your vocation with humility, courage and integrity. For more info including speakers or to book your place go to <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/commissioned-pro-life-mens-conference/> or contact [info@marchforlife.co.uk](mailto:info@marchforlife.co.uk)

**PAX CHRISTI** is inviting you to a meeting on Saturday 14 March 2026 to explore the potential of Nonviolence – a radically different response to our violent world. The guest speaker is **Professor Nicolas Paz**, Director of the Catholic Nonviolence Initiative, and Associate Professor and Mediator at the Pontifical University of Salamanca. Professor Paz will be in the UK, speaking about the Catholic Nonviolence Initiative, and the growing evidence from empirical research that nonviolence strategies work – and often work better than armed responses. Neither passive nor impractical, there are numerous examples of this happening worldwide. *Where and when?* Saturday 14 March, 10.30 for 11am start, at the London Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH. The day will finish by 4pm. Tea and Coffee provided. Bring your own lunch. If you'd like to come to this event, please reserve your place here: <https://tinyurl.com/paxnonviolence> or email: [info@paxchristi.org.uk](mailto:info@paxchristi.org.uk)

**LOUDFence** This is an opportunity where people are encouraged to tie brightly coloured ribbons, tokens and messages to fences in solidarity with all who have been harmed or abused in anyway or any context. LOUDfence will be at St Joseph's Catholic Church Stowheath lane WV1 2QN from Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March. You can either visit LOUDfence yourself, or if you wish you can place your ribbons and messages in the box in the porch of each of our churches. These will then be taken to LOUDfence. If you would like to know more, contact the St Newman Parish Office 01902 452841 [stnewmanparish.wmids@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stnewmanparish.wmids@rcaob.org.uk)

# Looking ahead

**ANNUAL EVESHAM PILGRIMAGE to site of first Marian apparition in England. All welcome.** Tuesday 5th May. Coach from St Michael's Church at 9.30am. Free time until Rosary at 2pm followed by Holy Mass then Bring & Share afternoon tea. Celebrant: Fr Alex Taylor (Branch Chaplain of Catholic Women's League CIO Birmingham). Cost £25. Further details from Sarah. Email: sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk. Book early to avoid disappointment. £10 nonrefundable deposit by bank transfer, cash or cheque.

**EVENING AT THE MUSICALS CONCERT** Wolverhampton Community Brass Band present an "Evening at the Musicals" concert in the **St Michaels Church Hall** on **Saturday June 20th at 7.30 pm**. Doors open at 7.00. **Tickets are £10 adults. Under 16's £5. Under 5's free.** The programme will include music from your favourite musicals such as "Phantom of the Opera", "Mama Mia", "Chess" and many more.


# Finance

**THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND** is for **CAFOD** Family Fast Day.

**SCA 300 club Winners of February 2026 Draw:** **No.81A** –Veronica Mulvehill- £ 75.00  
**No.33B** – Charles Beare - £ 10.00

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2026						
	SS PP	St M	SB	Card Readers	Website	Total
Gift Aid				23.00	85.00	108.00
Non-Gift Aid	174.88	514.60	119.46	145.00	9.00	962.94
Attendance	216	107,252	82			657
<b>Standing Order: January 2026 £ 5319.50</b>						

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



# Regular Prayer

**FEBRUARY MONTH OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS** This month we are asked to pray especially for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, Consecrated and Religious life.

**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 Tuesday 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 at 10.00am in the Sacristy Meeting Room at St Michael's. All Welcome!

**LAY ASSOCIATES OF SISTERS OF ST ANN KNOWN AS THE LASA PRAYER GROUP** will gather every Tuesday at 5.00pm in the Lady Chapel for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join in for prayer.

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH:** Karen Moreton, Andrew Fallon, Mary Brennan, Margaret Baratt, Kate Duffy, Teresa Fisher, Donald Firth, Patricia Hill, Sue Spears, Leanne Tolley, Liz Swinnerton, James Hunt, Jacqueline Cosgrove, Sandra Clowes, Ann Bayley, Julie Lee, Yassir, Catherine Andrews, Carol Hyatt, Pat Grady, Graham Cole, Mary Robs, Harry Murphy, Dennis Oparaji, Janusz Rogowski, Patricia Jones, Patricia Dufficy, Mick Gallagher, John Chell, Jan Taylor, Morris Young, Elaine Howell, Mary Ware, Antonia Colabella, Valerie Hinton, Rodney McKinney, Elizabeth Firth, 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, 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:** Myles Muldowney, Shirley Deffis-Whittaker, Roy Bayley, John Abbiss, John Murphy, Desmond Hales, Sharon Bates, Molly Mason, Fr Simon Bishop SJ, Ed Benedict, Wesam Hermiz, Fr David Keniry, Mary Carty. **May they rest in peace.**

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