



THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

Timetable of Masses and Services 14th May 2023

14th May 2023 SIXTH Sunday of Easter

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael <i>Sheila Convery RIP</i>	11.30 am St Michael <i>Pro Populo</i>
9.00 am St Bernadette <i>May Goodenough RIP</i>	3.00 pm Parish May Procession at St Bernadette's
10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online <i>Henry & Judith Soronnadi</i>	5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy

Monday 15th May Easter Feria

5.45pm St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	7.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Marian Devotions
6.30pm St Michael <i>Jennifer Mary Pugh</i>	

Tuesday 16th May Easter Feria

12.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Samantha Halliwell</i>	7.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Marian Devotions
1.00pm St Michael Good Shepherd Mass	

Wednesday 17th May Easter Feria

9.30am St Bernadette <i>Patricia Birmingham</i>	7.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Marian Devotions
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Thursday 18th May Solemnity of the Ascension

10.00am St Bernadette Holy Hour	12.30pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Kate Reynolds</i>
10.00am St Michael with SM & SSPP school <i>Philip Purcell</i>	7.00pm St Michael <i>Chris Starkey RIP</i>
12.00pm St Bernadette with School <i>Eileen Ellis</i>	7.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Marian Devotions

Friday 19th May Easter Feria and Pentecost Novena

12.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Patrick Guiton</i>	7.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Marian Devotions
12.30pm SS Peter & Paul Divine Mercy Devotion	

Saturday 20th May Easter Feria and Pentecost Novena

10.30-11.30am St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	3.00 pm SS Peter & Paul First Holy Communion
11.00am St Michael Confessions	7.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Marian Devotions

21st May 2023 SIXTH Sunday of Easter and Pentecost Novena

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael <i>Samuel Izedonmwem</i>	11.30 am St Michael First Holy Communion
9.00 am St Bernadette <i>Pro populo</i>	<i>Mary & Norman Lawley</i>
10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online <i>Mr Maximiano</i>	5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy

CARMELITE MONASTERY: Mass at 9.00am every day.

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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.

IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE HAS GONE INTO HOSPITAL AND NEEDS THE SACRAMENTS, PLEASE CONTACT THE HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY. IF NOT, THEY WILL NOT BE VISITED, BECAUSE THERE IS NO SYSTEM FOR THE CHAPLAINCY TO KNOW THAT THEY ARE IN HOSPITAL.

MAY DEVOTIONS

PARISH MAY PROCESSION THIS AFTERNOON at ST BERNADETTE'S at 3.00PM. We will gather in St Bernadette's Church for a short service and then, weather permitting, we will process out of the church and round the nearby streets as we sing hymns and pray the Rosary. We will then return to the Shrine outside the church where we will crown the statue of Our Lady. This will be followed by tea and cakes.

Please cook or bring along your favourites cakes to share!

TRANSPORT FROM SS PETER & PAUL TO ST BERNADETE'S FOR THE PROCESSION There are some places still available on the minibus. **This leaves SS Peter & Paul at 2.30pm.** Could others also bring their car to SS Peter & Paul's at the same time to help if any more lifts are needed? Many thanks.

DAILY MAY DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY at 7.00pm at SS Peter & Paul every evening in May. (Apart from May 14th when we will all be at St Bernadette's in the afternoon.) The prayers will be led by the Legion of Mary.

THE ROSARY BEFORE THE SATURDAY 5.30 PM MASS AT ST MICHAEL'S IN MAY will be led each week by members of the Knights of St Columba.

PLEASE PRAY for all the young people making their FIRST HOLY COMMUNION next weekend. There will be two Masses for the celebration of First Holy Communion; One at St Peter & Paul next Saturday at 3.00pm and the other will be the 11.30 am Mass at ST Michael's. **This means that the 11.30 am Mass next Sunday will be very busy**, as, thank God, we have many children making their First Holy Communion. *All the pews will be in use, so there will not be a social distance area available in Church next Sunday Morning.* If for health reasons you would prefer a quieter Mass, please consider coming to the Saturday Vigil Mass.

THIS THURSDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD It is a Holy Day of Obligation and there are four opportunities for Mass across the three churches. Please make every effort to come to Mass and celebrate this great Feast.

PENTECOST NOVENA From the feast of the Ascension to Pentecost is the Novena of prayer to the Holy Spirit. If the leaflets arrive provided by the THY KINGDOM COME initiative, then please do take one for personal prayer during the Novena. If the leaflets have not arrived by Ascension Thursday, you can follow their Novena on <https://bit.ly/42Nmyb2> Alternatively, a simple Novena prayer would be to pray the Third Glorious Mystery of the Rosary each day. We are praying as a parish that we may be more open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

ONLY 8 PLACES LEFT ON OUR PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE TO OUR LADY 25th/ 26th/ 27th July 2023 This three-day trip to Walsingham involves several prayer times together at the shrine, a candlelit Rosary procession, opportunities to relax in the local pubs and a trip to the seaside. It's a wonderful opportunity not to be missed! All the costs for travel, bed and breakfast and evening meals included in the price of £250.

For those of you who have already booked, please note that a deposit of £50 is required by 31st May.

If you would like to join us, please email bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk or call Steve Callow 01902 340775

The so called 'Slipper Chapel' here was built in 1325. People left their shoes here before walking the last mile on barefoot to the main shrine. The main shrine was destroyed by King Henry VIII at the Reformation. In 1897 the Slipper Chapel was restored to Catholic use and became the English National Shrine to Our Lady.

In 2015 Pope Francis gave the Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham in England a rare honour. The shrine – specifically the Slipper Chapel, the Chapel of Reconciliation and the Domain – has been granted minor basilica status.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS continue after the 10.15am Mass at SS Peter & Paul. The "Life in the Spirit" Seminars provide an opportunity to find out more about a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit and to take the first steps into a new relationship with Our Lord. The seminars last for seven weeks and will take you on a journey to deepen and rejuvenate your faith. All Welcome!

QUIET TIME FOR PRAYER BEFORE MASS It is wonderful to catch up with friends and acquaintances when you come to Mass, and indeed it is one of the ways we encounter Christ in the community of the Parish. Once you have entered church, however, please be respectful of those who have begun praying and try to keep the noise level down as much as possible. Many thanks.

ROSARY for ALL on ZOOM. Join the Catholic Women's League to pray the *Glorious Mysteries* on the eve of Feast of Ascension. WEDNESDAY 17th May at 7.30pm. Meeting ID: 819 5826 2663 Passcode: 4EYJhs Second code if we are online over 40 minutes: Meeting ID: 852 3892 3554 Passcode: R6kU8u. Thank you

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.

CALLING ALL LADIES. Do join the Catholic Women's League at our Annual Review on Thursday 18th May after 12 noon Mass in St Michael's Church Hall. Your **golden opportunity** to hear all about our wonderful work and see if *you* would like to be part of a worldwide women's organisation reaching out to those in need. (We meet once a month plus several events throughout the year. You give the time you can as there is no obligation to 'do everything'.) Contact Sarah for further details - 07948 963325

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

SVP COFFEE MORNING & AFTERNOON TEA: The next Coffee Morning at St Michael's on Wednesday 24th May at 11.00am. The Coffee morning at St Bernadette's will be on Thursday 25th May at 11.00am. All are invited to come along with your friends and have a wonderful socialising.

NEXT WEEK IS WORLD COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY The theme this year comes from Ephesians 4:15, *Speaking with the heart - 'The truth in love'*. In his message to mark the day, Pope Francis stresses the need to listen before speaking truth with a pure heart to "*see beyond appearances and overcome the vague din which, in the field of information, does not help us discern in the complicated world in which we live.*" The Holy Father, warning against indifference and indignation, hails the example of the great Doctor of the Church, St Francis de Sales, in particular his commitment to patient, heartfelt dialogue. A gifted theologian, his phrase *'Heart speaks to heart'* inspired many, none more so than Saint John Henry Newman, who chose this same phrase as his motto when he became cardinal. There will be a second collection next Sunday to support Catholic Outreach in the World Media.

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

Mission and Outreach

THE FOOD COLLECTION This week's donations have been distributed by St Patrick's Catholic Primary Academy. 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.

SUDAN BREAKFAST CLUB: There will be a sale of giant sunflowers at both weekend Masses (May 13/14) at St Michael's. Standing Order forms will be available should anyone wish to support the children monthly basis. Donations can also be made via the card readers at the 3 churches. The latest news from Sr Angelina is that the children are well but not in school; shops are becoming empty as no deliveries of food and medicine are getting through; the Internet and electricity supplies are intermittent. She sends her love and thanks to all!

LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH are very grateful for your donations of clothes, bric-a-brac and books for the shop. If you are donating heavy or bulky items and can't leave them in a collecting box at church, collection can be arranged, ring Rosalie on 01902 330553. We also appreciate recent donations of baby and toddler items for our Care team to give to needy local mums. At present we are in particular need of a pushchair for a new-born baby, and also one for a toddler. If you can help, please ring Rosalie.

CRAFT FAYRE 20TH MAY 1-4PM IN AID OF CANCER UNIT NEW CROSS. If anyone would like to help or donate cakes for refreshments, please contact Jackie on 07761684298. Thank you.

FOUNDATION GOVERNORS - the SFSC MAC that our Parish Primary Schools belong to have a number of vacancies for Foundation Governors. This is a great opportunity to become involved in a group of people who are dedicated to the provision of quality education to our children in a Catholic environment. Our aim is to maximize the potential of every child. To be a Foundation Governor you must be a practising Catholic and be prepared to commit time to meetings and school visits that will take up about 6 hrs of your time per month.

If you want to find out more, please call 01902 550051, speak to Fr Mark or any of the school principals.

HOMES FOR UKRAINE: Can you help? 500 Ukrainians seeking safety in the UK are in contact with The Saint John of God Hospitaller Services (SJOG). There are only about 70 potential hosts with spare room available for 6 months. Would you consider hosting an individual, or mother and child, or a small family for six months in your home, with support? Webinars in May, June. To find out more see our diocesan Newsletter or <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/renewed-appeal-to-host-ukrainian-guests> or <https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/about.php>

Finance

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT GIFT AID AND STANDING ORDERS The Diocesan Form is a bit confusing and does not explain that if you fill in the Gift Aid form, you still have to contact your own bank in order to set up the Standing Order. A number of parishioners have filled in the Diocesan Form and have assumed this will automatically set up their Standing Order but this does not happen. If this applies to you, please could you contact your own bank to set up the Standing Order. Those of you who had a GA envelope previously and still would like their offerings to be gift aided could you please contact Sr Lydwin or Val Walsh. Many thanks in advance!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 7th May 2023

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid		279.23	113.00	71.00		463.23
Gift Aid	196.20	181.00	27.00	30.00		434.20
Mass Attendance	221	110 180	72			583

Standing Order: Blessed Carlo Acutis, April 2023: £3799.25

There will be a Second Collection next weekend 20th/ 21st May for Catholic Communications.

200 Club Draw: Winners April-SSPP No. 92 Mr & Mrs Obukwia, SM No.53 Bernadette Walton

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 25th May. 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 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: Joe Eades, 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: Michael Akabueze, Deborah Lynn Perks, Krystyna Migocki, Audrey Pope, Philip Doherty. **May they rest in peace.**

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