



# THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



## ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

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### Timetable of Masses and Services

#### 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael** *Anthony Thompson*

**9.00 am St Bernadette** *Kevin Higgins*

**11.30 am St Michael** *Mary Theresa Hedgecox*

**10.15 am SS Peter & Paul** *Mary Buick RIP*

**5.00 pm St Michael** *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

#### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023 FERIA

**12.00pm St Michael** *Algis Jankowski RIP*

**6.30pm St Michael** *Pro populo*

**5.45pm St Michael** *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

#### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023 FERIA

**12.00pm Mass for the Deceased Clergy of Wolverhampton at St Christopher's Codsall – All Welcome! (no Mass in parish)**

**7.00pm SS Peter & Paul: Service of Light for all Confirmation Candidates.**

#### Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023 FERIA

**9.30am St Bernadette** *Holy Souls*

**11.20 am St Bernadette** *Funeral Service Eileen Whittall*

#### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 FERIA

**10.00am St Bernadette** *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**12.00 noon St Michael** *Holy Souls*

#### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023 FERIA

**Special Welcome Mass at St Chad's Cathedral for Bishop Stephen Wright 12.00 noon. All welcome!**

**No Mass in the parish today.**

#### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023 FERIA

**10.30am St Michael** *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**11.00-11.30am St Michael** *Confessions*

#### 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023 THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael** *Family of David & Monica Blee*

**9.00 am St Bernadette** *Pro populo*

**11.30 am St Michael** *John & Peter Mulvehill*

**10.15 am SS Peter & Paul** *Coleman & Katherine Faherty*

**5.00 pm St Michael** *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

**Mass is livestreamed from SS Peter & Paul at 10.15am each Sunday** [www.carloacutis.co.uk/onlineservices.html](http://www.carloacutis.co.uk/onlineservices.html)

**CARMELITE MONASTERY:** Mass at 9.00am every day.

**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](mailto:sg.blessed.carloacutis.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 concern.

**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. 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.

**BAPTISMS** We are introducing a new system for registration for children's baptisms. If you would like your child to be baptised, please contact one of the priests after Sunday Mass and he will give you a code so that you can access the **Digital Registration Form**. You will then be contacted about attending the Parents' Baptism Class. At the end of the class, you will be able to organise the date for the baptism. Baptisms normally take place on the first and third Sundays of the month.

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES** There is a meeting for parents this Sunday in St Michael's Hall immediately after the 11.30am Mass. Please remember it is essential for parents to attend this meeting if your child is to be confirmed on November 21<sup>st</sup>.

**MASSES THIS WEEK** On Tuesday there is a special Mass at St Christopher's for the deceased Clergy of Wolverhampton. ***This replaces Mass in the parish that day.*** Please attend St Christophers if you are able. Again, this Friday there is ***no Mass in the parish*** as we have all been invited by the Archbishop to join him at St Chad's Cathedral for a special Mass of welcome to Bishop Stephen who used to be our area bishop but is now the bishop of Hexham and Newcastle. It will be an opportunity to congratulate him and thank him for his service to our parish when he was our area bishop.

**MONTH OF NOVEMBER DEDICATED TO THE HOLY SOULS.** It is an ancient and venerable tradition for us to remember our loved ones who have died and offer Masses for them during November. There are special envelopes available in the back of each church to enable you to do this. Could you please ensure that you take one with you this weekend? Please write the names of your deceased loved ones and friends and place them in the envelopes along with your Mass offering and give it to one of the priests or sisters. The lists of names will then be placed on the altar of each church throughout the month of November.

### **NOVEMBER BLESSING OF GRAVES**

November 18<sup>th</sup> Bushbury Cemetery at 2.00 pm.

November 19<sup>th</sup> Sytch Lane cemetery at 12.00 noon.

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE 25th NOVEMBER 2023.** Donations welcome from you and yours for this great event. Collections of saleable goods at each of our 3 churches at all masses until 19th November. We need: soft toys, toys, games, children's books, gift sets, Christmas themed items, raffle prizes. Tombola: bottles (soft & alcoholic), chocolate (individual bars and boxes) Cakes for the Cafe dropped to the hall on Friday 24/11 between 9-2 or on the day 12-2. Urgent appeal for donations for our tri-church festive event. Ask friends and family to help with provision of tombola items: bottles, chocolates, soft toys (for Teddy Tombola), games, children's books, cakes and bakes for the cafe, gift sets, Christmas themed goodies, raffle prizes, jams, pickles, and chutneys. If anyone would like to volunteer to help in any capacity, from collecting, wrapping Santa's gifts, sorting in the week before the Fayre, setting up, manning a stall, etc, please get in touch with Sarah - 07948 963325, email [sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk) Thank you for supporting this popular date in our parish diary.

**Blessed Carlo Acutis Grand Christmas Raffle** tickets are out on sale. A Book is £2.50 and a single ticket 50p. The Draw will take place on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2023 after the 10.15am Mass at SS Peter & Paul's Church. There are number of exciting prizes for you to win! If you wish to sponsor any of the prizes, please contact Mrs Eileen Gallier at St Michael and Mr Bill Finnegan at SS Peter & Paul and Mr Charles Beare at St Bernadette. All proceeds are for Church Heating.

**PARISH YOUTH MASS** For ***National Youth Sunday on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November***, St Edmund's Catholic Academy will be joining us to provide music and youth involvement at the 11.30am Mass at St Michael's. It would be good if families with teenagers at St Edmunds could attend this Mass that Sunday to make it a real celebration of youth from across our parish.

**SVP TEA /COFFEE AFTERNOON** This month's get together is on Monday 13th November at 1.00pm in St. Michael's Hall. All are welcome, we look forward to seeing you.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE Meeting.** Thursday 16th November, St Michael's Church Hall. 12.30pm BYO lunch, meeting from 1.15pm - open to all ladies of all faiths. Raffle available. Further details from Sarah - 07948 963325 Email: [sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk)

**THE SVP FISH AND CHIP LUNCH** will take place on Wednesday 13th December at St Michael's Hall at 12:30. Cost is £8 including Fish and Chip meal, bread and butter, hot drink, dessert. Sign-up sheets in the church porches. Money by 3rd December. Contact your local SVP rep or text Nick on 07950 060238. Tell us if you need a lift.

The **SVP** The collection for the St Vincent de Paul Society at the masses on 2-3 September raised a massive £580.46. Many thanks to all parishioners who contributed. **The SVP Christmas Catalogue** - is now available to view at the entrance to each of the Churches in our Parish. There is a wide range of advent calendars, eco friendly and Fairtrade gifts as well as Christmas cards. Every purchase helps raise funds for the work of the SVP, please consider ordering some of your requirements from us.

**THE WOLVERHAMPTON COMMUNITY BRASS BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT** on Saturday Dec 2nd in St Michael's church Hall. Tickets are £10 adults and £5 children.

**FREE EPIPHANY CONCERT - Saturday 6th January at 2.00pm** in St Michael's Church. Back by popular demand: Wulfruna Ladies Choir. All welcome. Refreshments and raffle available. All proceeds to UNICEF and The Well food bank. Further details from Sarah - 07948 963325 Email: [sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk)

## *Mission and Outreach*

**FIX THE FOOD SYSTEM** Do you remember signing a large letter calling on the World Bank to protect farmers' rights to freely access their traditional seeds? Well, over 70,000 people from 762 parishes have done so, and CAFOD supporters have just returned from the World Bank's Annual Meeting in Morocco where they delivered the letters directly into the hands of the Director of Global Food Practice. You will be pleased to hear that the World Bank has agreed to meet CAFOD representative to discuss the issue.

**Quiz for CAFOD** Many thanks to everyone who took part in the Quiz on 3rd November. It was a great success and £245.09 was raised for CAFOD.

**CAFOD ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CRISIS APPEAL:** Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at [cafod.org.uk/ipc](http://cafod.org.uk/ipc) or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

**THE FOOD COLLECTION** This week's donations have been distributed by St Edmunds Catholic Academy. Would you consider donating some essential household items such as washing powder/washing up liquid/toilet or kitchen roll OR tins/jars of food OR toiletries such as shampoo/soap/toothbrushes/toothpaste/sanitary products AND selection boxes please!

**FARESHARE** is next at St Michael's Church Hall on Wednesday 29th November at 1.45 pm. FareShare is a UK charity that redistributes good quality, surplus food to community groups. If you, or your neighbour, could do with a little support during these difficult times, please bring a bag and take some food home.

**Life Charity Shop and Life Caring Outreach** Because the shop can't yet re-open, please do not leave goods intended for the shop at church for the time being. We'll be very glad of your donations once the shop opens again. Our **Outreach Service** continues as usual, so donations of baby and toddler clothes and equipment are very welcome, please ring Rosalie on 01902 330553 if you would like such items collected from your house.

**Blessed Carlo Acutis Parish 200 Club Annual Subscriptions are now DUE.** Kindly pay Sr Lydwin at St Michael Church, Mr Bill Finnegan at SS Peter & Paul and Mr Charles Beare at St Bernadette. We encourage new members to join the 200 Club. The Annual Subscription is £12.00 which entitles the members to one chance in the Monthly Draw. All proceeds are for the Heating in three churches of our parish.

## Finance

200 Club October Draw winners St Michael No: 58 Liam Gauden; SS Peter & Paul No. 118 Valerie Walsh

<b>OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023</b>						
	<b>SS Peter &amp; Paul</b>	<b>St Michael</b>	<b>St Bernadette</b>	<b>Card Readers</b>	<b>Website</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Non-Gift Aid</b>	196.65	395.78	141.83	28.00		£762.26
<b>Gift Aid</b>		29.00	22.00	175.00		£226.00
<b>Mass Attendance</b>	194	108, 193	93			588
<b>Standing Order: October 2023: £ 4012.21</b>						
Second collection -Johnson Association £430.20						

The next Second Collection on 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> November for Catholic Youth Service

## Prayer

### PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE HOLY LAND

*God of mercy and compassion,  
of grace and reconciliation,  
pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East:  
Jews, Muslims and Christians,  
Palestinians and Israelis.  
Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope,  
oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation,  
that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces,  
and peace and justice could be experienced by all.  
Amen*

### **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 Bernadete's.

**Friday at 12.00 noon- 12.30pm** at SS Peter & Paul.

**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** No Padre Pio meeting in November. Next meeting will be on December 7th at 3.00pm at St Bernadette's. 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 most welcome to join in for prayers.

**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:** Rodney Young, Morris Young, Elaine Howell, Magdalena de Rosario, Mary Ware, , Anne Pearce, Sean O'Malley, 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, Fr John Lungley, 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:** Brenda Aston, Martin Kearney, Eileen Whittall, Margaret Ambler, Algis Jankauskas, Peter Alexsanrowicz, Mary Dolan. **May they rest in peace.**

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