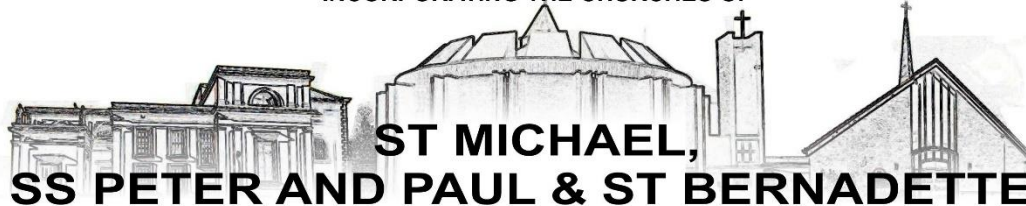




THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



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

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Timetable of Online Masses and Services 17th October 2021

For Online Masses, go to www.carloacutis.co.uk

Sunday 17th October Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Novena day 4

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30 pm St Michael Noreen Murphy RIP

SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *pro populo*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Sue Bach

11.30 am St Michael John Grady RIP

5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy

6.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Fabien Kayabwami RIP

Monday 18th October Feast of St Luke, Evangelist Novena day 5

1.30 pm SS Peter & Paul Funeral Service Patricia Ferretti RIP

6.30 pm St Michael Private Intention

Tuesday 19th October Feria Novena day 6

9.30 am SS Peter & Paul Josephine Carrier

Wednesday 20th October Feria Novena day 7

12.00 noon St Bernadette Private Intention

Thursday 21st October Feria Novena day 8

10.00 am St Bernadette Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

12.00 noon St Michael Patricia Bamford RIP

Friday 22nd October Memorial of Saint John Paul II Novena ends.

12.00 noon SS Peter and Paul & Online Obassy Family

12.30 pm Adoration and Divine Mercy Devotions

Saturday 23rd October Feria

10.30am St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

11.00am St Michael Confessions

Sunday 24th October Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30 pm St Michael Mae Miller RIP

SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *pro populo*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online Mary Buick RIP

11.30 am St Michael M & P Wedding Anniversary

5.00 pm St Michael Syro-Malabar Liturgy

6.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Private Intention

For the moment, Mass is celebrated in private at the Carmelite Monastery, but the sisters continue to pray for us, day and night.

Parish News and Activities

MANY THANKS to everyone who worked so hard to make our Parish Feast Day Celebrations such a success. I have received a lovely letter from the Archbishop thanking everyone and saying how much he enjoyed his visit! Many thanks to the stewards, the cleaners, the musicians, the florists, the altar servers, the readers, the photographers, and our artists and framers for making the weekend so special. Many thanks, as well for the special second collection for the Good Shepherd Ministry and supermarket vouchers for 'Free School Meal' families via our Parish Food Collection Team which raised £379.65. Let us continue to keep our prayers going to our new parish patron, Blessed Carlo Acutis and see what more blessings may be bestowed on our three church communities.

The Prayer and Life Workshops (PLW) help you learn and deepen in the art of prayer through participating in a weekly workshop. Through the PLW, this learning has a highly experimental character: by praying we learn to pray. In each PLW workshop we learn to enter into a personal relationship with the Lord through different prayer methods, from the very first steps using very simple prayer methods, to the heights of contemplative prayer by the end. This Sunday, 17th October, prayer guides from PLW will be speaking at the end of Mass to share their testimony and invite you to participate in this incredible ministry. The following Saturday (23rd October) there will be a taster session at St Michael's Church; allowing those of you who would like to deepen your life of prayer and your relationship with the Lord to see if the workshops are for you.

Pope Francis has formally opened the Synod on the Synodal Pathway in Rome (9/10 October) with dioceses across the world following this weekend (16/17 October). A Mass to mark the Opening of the Synodal Pathway in the Archdiocese of Birmingham will take place at St Chad's Cathedral on Sunday 17 October, celebrated by Archbishop Bernard Longley. All are welcome to join via the Cathedral live stream. This weekend at all our Masses we will listen to a Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop to mark the occasion, which will call upon us all to play our part in the Synod. The overall theme is 'For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission'. For more information, go to the link on the diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/News/the-synodal-pathway-begins

Course for those interested in becoming Catholics This course started on October 4th and will run weekly (apart from holiday breaks) until Easter 2022 when hopefully you will be received into the Catholic Church. We meet in the Sacristy Meeting Room at St Michael's Church immediately after the 6.30pm Mass on Mondays. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Fr Mark.

SVP Coffee/Tea afternoon- these are on the second Wednesday of each month, next one will be November 10th. The one in October was well received by everyone who came to it. Please join us for fun and friendship. All are welcome, please bring a friend.

SS Peter & Paul 6.00pm Sunday Mass. The Student Mass continued throughout the summer this year as an extra Mass because of the booking system for the Sunday Morning Mass. As the booking system is no longer required, this Mass will revert to ONLY being celebrated in Term Time. This means that the ***last Sunday Evening Mass of this Term will be Sunday 12th December.*** The First Mass of the new term will be ***Sunday 16th January 2022.***

Little Angels Stay & Play Group (0-5 years) Friday mornings 09.15-11.00am in St Michael's Church Hall. Just £1.50. Free tea & coffee for grown-ups and refreshments for your little ones. **Helpers needed, please.** If you love babies (we have several) and seeing kids having fun, do volunteer with us. Info from Sarah & Jim: 07948963325/24. sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

Wolverhampton Chamber Choir will present Handel's Messiah with The Salomon Ensemble and soloists Elizabeth Adams, Elizabeth Humphries, Ed Harrison and Stuart Orme. Directed by Geoffrey Weaver on 6th November 2021 7.30 pm at St John's in the Square Wolverhampton WV2 4BZ Tickets available at the door: £12, free for under 18s. <http://www.wolverhamptonchamberchoir.org.uk>

Don't forget to regularly check the Online Activities available on our Website!

Mission and Outreach

Many thanks from the SVP. The recent second collection for our Blessed Carlo Acutis Conference brought in over £450 in donations. We are so blessed to have such generous Parishioners in our Parish and this money will enable us to continue to help those people who are in need of our support. God bless you all.

The Food Collection: continues at the usual times: St Bernadette at all Masses; SS Peter & Paul at the 10.15 Sunday Mass; St Michael at all Masses AND Tuesday 1-2 and Saturday 10-11. > We would be extremely grateful for additional donations of HOT WATER BOTTLES, HOT WATER BOTTLE COVERS (This is a very simple knitting pattern, but any will do! Using 5mm needles and Chunky or 2 balls of DK wool together: cast on 40 stitches, knit 28cm using any stitch, cast off 10 stitches at the beginning of the next 2 rows, rib 7cm on the remaining 20 stitches, cast off loosely, knit 2 pieces and sew together leaving a gap at the opening of the bottle) and MICROWAVABLE HEAT PADS as winter approaches. *This week's donations have been distributed to local families via a free 'pop up' shop at SS Mary & John Catholic Primary Academy.* Thank you for your continued support.

Quiz for CAFOD Next weekend you will be offered a quiz sheet for a small donation (£2 +) to complete at your leisure and to return to us a couple of weeks later with the prospect of winning a prize! All donations will go to further the work of The **Catholic Agency For Overseas Development**.

Addressing Local Need Much-welcomed supplies can be dropped off at any time for the Good Shepherd Ministry via 2, Richmond Rd WV3 9HY Thank you for your kindness.

Life Charity Shop 12 Lichfield Street WV1 1DG (Tel 01902 420656). Many thanks for all the donations of clothes, books, bric-a-brac etc, which are helping towards the continued success of our shop. More donations are always welcome; small amounts can be handed in at the shop at any time, but if you are giving more than 2 bags, please ring the shop first to book a delivery slot. For those attending St Michael's, there is now a large donations box in the foyer. You can also ring Rosalie (01902 330553) and arrange to drop items at her house or have them collected from you. **Life Caring Outreach** continues to welcome donations of cots, pushchairs and other baby items. We are frequently asked to help needy families and your generosity makes a real difference to the care of babies and toddlers. Any one in need of such practical help can contact us via the free Life National Helpline 0808 802 5433. This Helpline also offers a confidential listening ear to anyone who is worried about a pregnancy related issue, or who has experienced loss of a pregnancy.

Used Postage Stamps: 1kg of used postage stamps (far too many to count!) have been sent to the RNIB (Royal National Institute of Blind People). Stamps can be put in the container at the back of the porch at St Michael's. PLEASE trim the stamps with at least one centimetre of paper around the edge wherever possible. Thank you!

Sr Jean's Breakfast Club: On behalf of Sr Angelina from the El Obeid Diocese in Sudan THANK YOU to everyone who responded to her latest update by donating via a cheque or completing a monthly standing order. We are their only outside source of support, sending on average £320 a month to help provide their students with breakfast (their only meal of the day), school uniform and equipment. They are currently facing a shortage of fuel and drinking water. If you require further information, please phone 01902 340479.

Crisp Packet Recycling at St Michael's: Crisp packet recycling: the Risk Assessment for the collection of crisp packets is being up-dated; please save your packets until it has been completed.

Finances

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for September 2021: Parish of Blessed Carlo Acutis £2645.41

Next Second Collection: Mission Sunday 23rd /24th October

Offertory Collection for Sunday 10th October 2021

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Second Collection:
Non-Gift Aid	582.80	219.65	55.00	379.65 Bl. Carlo Acutis
Gift Aid	130.00	152.00	18.50	

Novena to St John Paul II 14th-22nd October The Second Reading in parliament of the **Assisted Dying Bill** will take place on Friday 22nd October, which is the Feast Day of St John Paul II. There will be a national novena seeking the intercession of St John Paul II. You can access digital resources via this link: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/life-issues/> Bishop John Sherrington (the Bishop responsible for the Day for Life) has said of the Novena:

'Jesus told his disciples to pray at all times and not lose heart. Providentially the discussion of Baroness Meacher's Bill in the House of Lords falls on the feast of St John Paul II on 22nd October. The novena, asking the intercession of St. John Paul II, who spoke courageously about the infinite worth of each human person and witnessed to the cross in his final illness, calls upon Catholics and all who share our view that assisted suicide is wrong, to pray with perseverance that this Bill will be defeated. St. John Paul II, pray for us.'

Novena Prayer

Merciful God, we pray with thanks and gratitude
for the great spiritual gift of Saint John Paul II's apostolic life and mission.
Through his heavenly intercession we ask that the 'Assisted Dying' Bill be
defeated and that the infinite worth of each human person is upheld
through proper investment in palliative care.

Grant also that we may grow in love for You
and proclaim boldly the love of Jesus Christ to all people.
Through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be....

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Ben McKearney, Michael Egan, Philomena Labdy, Teresa Taylor, Steve Kavanagh, Christine McHale, Fr John Lungley, Maura Andrews, Teresa Rickards, Antony Cosgrove, Sheila Botwood, Pritpal Dhanjal, Paul Green, R. J, Ben Sherry, Holly Burke, Peter Holmes, Chris Starkey, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Stephen Briggs, Hilary Elsdon, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Ann Bayley, Peggy McHale, Patrick Quinn, Celia Norton, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Leah Nixon, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Pat Eades, Helen Porter, Mary Kirby, Brendan Bleakley.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Denis Moore, Ron Ward, Margaret Evans, Peter Phillips, George Butterfield, Brian McFarlane, John Norton, Josephine Wright, Michael Gibbons. **May they rest in peace.**

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