



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

1st October 2023 TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael *Family of Helen & Katalin Burke*

9.00 am St Bernadette *Helen Evans RIP*

11.30 am St Michael *Fr. Paul Devaney RIP*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Mick Curtis RIP*

5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*

Monday 2nd October 2023 Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

12.30pm Requiem Mass *Sharon McTeigue RIP*

6.30pm St Michael *pro populo*

5.45 pm St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

Tuesday 3rd October 2023 Feria

12.00pm SS Peter & Paul *Fred Edwards*

Wednesday 4th October 2023 Memorial of St Francis of Assisi

9.30am St Bernadette *Mary Henry RIP*

Thursday 5th October 2023 Feria

10.00am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

12.00pm St Michael *Jenner Martin RIP*

Friday 6th October 2023 Feria

12.00 pm SS Peter & Paul *Adoration*

1.00pm SS Peter & Paul *Confessions after Mass*

12.30pm SS Peter & Paul *Brendan McLoughlin*

Saturday 7th October 2023 Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

10.30am St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

12.00 noon *Wedding Service Akoto- Abada*

11.00am St Michael *Confessions*

8th October 2023 TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael *Alan Crasta*

9.00 am St Bernadette *Maud Kelly Intentions*

11.30 am St Michael *Thomas Callahan*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Joan Fagan RIP*

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

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 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 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.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY (FFD) ON FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2023: Parishioners are invited to join in FFD on Friday 6th October. The FFD collection envelopes will be available at Masses on 30th Sept / 1st October and 7th/8th October. You can use the CAFOD envelope to donate in church or donate online so that together, we can support doctors and other local experts to help families like Meera's in Pakistan when they need it most. For more information visit: <https://cafod.org.uk/fastday>

2023 ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE GUILD OF ST. STEPHEN All our altar servers are invited to attend this special Mass next Saturday 7th October at St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham at 12.00 noon. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop David Evans. If any servers would like to come, *it is important that they are accompanied by their parents*. The easiest way to get to St Chad's is to park at SS Peter & Paul and take the tram. Fr Alex is leaving to walk to the tram at 10.15am and any families are welcome to join him.

PARISH CELEBRATIONS FOR OUR PATRONAL FEAST OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS 14/15th OCTOBER

- We begin our festivities with a **Healing Service with Blessed Carlo on Saturday 14th at 10.30am in St Michael's Church.**
- **There will be a special blessing with the Relic of Blessed Carlo after each of the Saturday and Sunday Masses.**
- Please place your prayer intentions into his prayer box below his image over the next two weeks and these will be placed on the altar at the Feast Day Masses.
- The festivities will finish with a **Parish Party on Sunday afternoon at 1.00pm** This is a 'bring and share' as in previous celebrations.

BLESSED CARLO FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE POOR Blessed Carlo had a special care for the poor, he once said: **As long as we are upon this planet, we can increase our level of Charity. The greater it is, the more we shall enjoy the eternal beatitude of God.**

So, as part of his celebrations, we suggest that as well as the "bring and share" we also bring non-perishable food items, such as tins etc and leave them under his image in each of the churches over the next two weeks. These will then be collected and taken to the food bank after his feast day.



SKITTLES NIGHT for FRIENDS & FAMILY (by popular demand)

All ages welcome on Saturday 7th October at 7.00pm. Bring Your Own nibbles and drinks. Tea, coffee and squash available plus raffle. Bowling not obligatory. Proceeds to CWL charities for disaster relief. Further details from Sarah: 07948 963325

CLASSES FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLICS Meet every Monday at 7.00pm in the Sacristy Meeting Room at St Michael's Church, 173 Coalway Road WV3 7ND. You are also welcome to come along to an evening on particular subjects that interest you. The sessions for the weeks leading up to Christmas are as follows:

2nd October: Catholics and the Bible	13th November: Eucharist
9th October: Creation	20th November: Sacrament of Reconciliation
16th October: The Fall and God's Response: Jesus the Saviour	27th November: The Sacrament of the Sick
23rd October: Baptism	4th December: Advent and Social Teachings of the Church
6th November: The Holy Spirit and Confirmation	11th December: Old Testament Preparation for Christ
	18th December: The Blessed Virgin Mary

A NOTE ABOUT CHILDREN'S LITURGY at ST MICHAEL'S AND ST BERNADETTE'S. It is great to see the children again for the Children's Liturgy, and all children are welcome. The readings and activities are designed for primary age children, but younger children can also participate. To ensure they can be supervised safely, we ask that children aged 4 and under be accompanied by a parent or appropriate adult.

CATHSOC+ If you are a student at the university or a young adult in the parish (18+) you are welcome to join us on Tuesday evenings at Giffard House from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. **Cathsoc+** is an informal gathering for social activities and prayer, and a chance to meet other young people in the parish. To enter Giffard house please come to the side door of the Church of SS Peter & Paul. The door is marked "Main Entrance 51 North Street" and please ring the intercom on the left of the door.



Carlo's Coffee Club

has been meeting since February 2021: It is a chance to catch up with others whilst sharing a coffee in the comfort of your own home. We have a guest speaker at each meeting.

It is open to anyone 60+ in the parish of Blessed Carlo Acutis.

We meet online (but meet in person at the end of each season)

On Tuesday mornings **fortnightly** from 10.30am to 11.30am

If you would like to join but are uncertain of the technicalities of using the internet, practical help is available to guide you through the process. All you need is either a mobile phone, tablet, computer or laptop and we can help sort the rest.

Interested? Email Judith at wolvesdy@gmail.com for more details on how to join in.

First meeting of Autumn 2023 this Tuesday 3.10.23

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/Tea will be on Monday 9th October at 1.00pm at St Michael's Church Hall. It is an opportunity to get together and socialise with lovely company. All are welcome.

CAFOD QUIZ for CAFOD The revised date for the Quiz is Friday 3rd November. It will be in St Michael's Hall at 7.30pm. Please make a note. More details nearer the time.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE BI-ANNUAL BRANCH MEETING & SOCIAL. Saturday 11th November 10.30 - 15.30 in St Michael's Church Hall. National President, Siobhan, is joining us! Bring & Share lunch.
RSVP and details: Sarah 07948 963325

LITTLE ANGELS STAY & PLAY GROUP Fridays in term time, 9-11. Ages 0-5 years. Only £1.50 with unlimited drinks, fruit buffet and biscuits. No need to book. Details from Sarah: 07948 963325

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 from next weekend 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. 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 Thank you for supporting this popular date in our parish diary.

THE SIGN OF PEACE AT MASS It is now permitted to shake hands once again if you so wish. Please, however, respect anyone who prefers to bow as a sign of peace.

Mission and Outreach

YOUR CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE are thrilled to announce that the MacMillan Afternoon Tea & Craft Fayre last Saturday raised a whopping £870.36! Thank you for your support.

THE FOOD COLLECTION This week's donations have been distributed by St Teresa's Catholic Primary 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 please? All donations are greatly appreciated and will be a lifeline to many 'Free School Meals' families.

LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH Sadly our shop is unable to open for the next week or so **please do not leave your donations of clothes etc at St Michael's or St Bernadette's** for the time being. We will be very glad to receive them when the shop gets back to normal. Our outreach service continues as usual, so donations of baby and toddler clothes and equipment are still very welcome. If you would like bulky baby equipment collected from your house please ring Rosalie on 330553

MOROCCO AND LIBYA Following the earthquake and the terrible floods in these countries, CAFOD has sent £30,000 to Caritas Rabat, a local partner in Morocco, and has launched a Libya Floods Appeal. If you would like to donate, go to cafod.org.uk.

CHARITY ORGANISATION TO HELP THE HARD OF HEARING There is a Charitable Trust that helps Christian Activities in the local area providing grants for aids such as loop systems, and signers for services and weddings etc. We need new trustees to look after this trust. Is this something you might be keen to support? If so, please contact Fr Mark at bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk

Finance

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 24th September 2023						
	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Non-Gift Aid	<i>To be counted next week</i>	419.66	84.84	43.00		-----
Gift Aid		83.00	110.00	53.00		-----
Mass Attendance		108, 276	72			
Standing Order: August 2023: £4338.00						
Second collection: Father Hudson's Care 282.53						

Second Collection: The weekend 7th/8th October CAFOD Harvest Fast

Regular Prayer Opportunities

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 Bernadette'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 will meet once a month on the fourth Thursday of each month at 3.00pm at St Bernadette's Church, Wombourne. 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: Peter Alexsanrowicz, Magdalena de Rosario, Mary Ware, Algis Jaunkwaski, Anne Pearce, Sean O'Malley, Rosa Tse, Antonia Colabella, Valerie Hinton, 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, 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: Mary Dolan, Peter Burt, June Norton, Sharon McTeigue, James, Brennan, Gina Silba, Matthew Eustace Joseph, Margot Kenny. **May they rest in peace.**

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