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### *Timetable of Masses and Services*

#### **17<sup>th</sup> September 2023 TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael** *Husbands of Helen & Katalin Beke*

**9.00 am St Bernadette** *Jimmy Corcoran RIP*

**11.30 am St Michael** *Jenner Martin RIP*

**10.15 am SS Peter & Paul** *Antoinetta Moscata*

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

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Feria

5.45 pm St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm St Michael *Michael Reeve RIP*

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Feria

12.00pm SS Peter & Paul *Ian Ker*

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023 Memorial of St Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, Paul  
Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs.

9.30am St Bernadette *Alan Willetts RIP*

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023 Feast of St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

10.00am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

12.00pm St Michael *Antonina Allenza*

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023 Feria

9:30am St Bernadette *Seamus Burke RIP*

12.30pm SS Peter & Paul *Angela Collis RIP*

12.00 pm SS Peter & Paul Adoration

1.00pm SS Peter & Paul Confessions after Mass

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 Memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina

10.30am St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

11.00am St Michael Confessions

#### **24<sup>th</sup> September 2023 TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Saturday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael** *Elizabeth Crasta*

**9.00 am St Bernadette** *William Shorthouse*

**11.30 am St Michael** *Michael Akabueze RIP*

**10.15 am SS Peter & Paul** *Thanksgiving – Olowe Family*

**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

**TODAY IS 'EVANGELII GAUDIUM' SUNDAY** renamed from what used to be HOME MISSION SUNDAY and the Latin name comes from the Encyclical by Pope Francis encouraging us to share the 'Joy of the Gospel'. The second collection today is to support the work of the mission of the Church in England and Wales. A key focus of work for the next few years is responding to Pope Francis' calling of a Jubilee Year in 2025 with the theme Pilgrims of Hope. The Holy Father has invited the whole Church to prepare for the Jubilee in the two years prior through:

- Reflecting on the four Constitutions of the Second Vatican Council in 2023.
- Deepening our prayer life, with a special focus on the Lord's Prayer, in 2024.

**CONFIRMATION OF CANDIDATES FROM OUR PARISH** will take place on **Tuesday 21st November 2023**. If your child is in year 6 or older you can now apply for them to start attending classes in preparation for this Sacrament. If your child is not in a Catholic School, there will be classes on Saturday Mornings. If you would like your child to prepare for this sacrament, please come to the sacristy and pick up a Registration Form. Please read it and fill it in carefully. Please note, it is very important to give the full address of the place of baptism of your child. After your child has been confirmed, our parish secretary will need to write to the parish priest of that parish so that he can enter this information into your child's Baptism Register. The Programme of Preparation includes two meetings for parents at St Michael's Church after the 11:30 Sunday Masses. The first takes place immediately after the **Enrolment Mass on Sunday 24th September**. St Michael's, 173 Coalway Road, Penn, WV3 7ND. The second meeting takes place on **Sunday November 12th**. Please be aware that attendance of parents at these two meetings is necessary if you want your child to be confirmed this year. Once you have filled in your child's Registration Form, please hand it in to one of the priests or sisters well before the Enrolment Mass on **Sunday 24th September**.

**CLASSES FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLICS** begin on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm in the Sacristy Meeting Room at St Michael's Church, 173 Coalway Road WV3 7ND. If you are interested in joining the classes, please let one of the priests or sisters know. If you know someone who has expressed a desire to know more about the Catholic Faith, why not invite them along and bring them with you.

**ST BERNADETTE'S AUTUMN FAYRE NOVEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>** There will be a meeting after Mass this Sunday at St Bernadette's. If anyone from the other churches can help with preparations, please could you contact Fr Mark.

### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE PLANNING MEETING.**

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm in the sacristy meeting room at St Michael's. Co-ordination between our 3 churches will make this years' Fayre our best yet! Come along all who want to pitch in and work with fellow parishioners to bring joy to our community. It's great fun and so rewarding! The Fayre is on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm.

RSVP to Sarah 07948 963325 or [sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk)

**THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST BERNADETTE'S** We are pleased to announce that this will restart on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September. This is a great opportunity for us to welcome young families back to Sunday Mass. Please spread the word that it is restarting!

**YOUTH PRAISE AND WORSHIP BAND** The next meeting is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 5.00pm.

**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.

**MACMILLAN AFTERNOON TEA & CRAFT FAYRE** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2 pm in St Michael's Church Hall. FREE entry. Donations of cakes, bakes, sandwiches and scones very gratefully received. All tables taken. Further details: Sarah 07948 963325

**SKITTLES NIGHT for FRIENDS & FAMILY** (by popular demand)

All ages welcome on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm. 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

**CAFOD QUIZ for CAFOD** The revised date for the Quiz is Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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

**TEA & COFFEE AFTER 11.30am SUNDAY 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

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

# REPORT FROM THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

## SEPTEMBER 2023

**Many thanks** were recorded for the organisation of Fr Sean's leaving event, the parish pilgrimage to Walsingham and the support given to the young people on pilgrimage to World Youth Day.

**Safeguarding:** Although there are notices in each Church and a reminder on the bulletin, children of primary school age are still sometimes going to the toilets without being accompanied by their parents. Please be aware that children will be at risk as the toilets in each church are accessible to anyone from outside.

**Parish plan of activities:** A plan of all the parish activities of the last year will be produced soon so that we can reflect on what has been done and which activities fall within which areas of the diocesan vision: Evangelisation, Formation, Liturgy & Worship, and Social Outreach.

**Feast of Blessed Carlo Acutis:** There will be another "bring and share" at 1.00pm on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023 as part of activities to mark the feast of Blessed Carlo Acutis. It was decided that young parishioners will read and bring up the offertory collection at the Sunday Masses that weekend. We are also looking into further activities for the party that afternoon.

**Healing Service:** There will be Adoration and a Healing Service at 10.30am on Saturday, 14 October 2023 as part of the activities to mark the feast of our patron Saint.

**Christmas Raffle:** Last Autumn there were two parish raffles, one based at St Bernadette's and the other from SS Peter & Paul. It was decided that there should be just one Raffle across the parish this year.

**Defibrillators:** These will be fitted in each church in the next few weeks.

**Prayer Intention Books:** These were suggested at a previous meeting and had not yet been put into place. They will be inaugurated shortly.

**Mass Books:** A member asked if there could be the same Mass books that are used in SS Peter & Paul with all the readings and prayers available at St Bernadette's and St Michael's, rather than the printed sheets. Fr Mark explained that the readings for Mass in England and Wales are being changed to the Catholic English Standard Version in Advent 2024. For this reason, there is no point in spending a considerable cost on Mass books when they will be out of date by the end of next year. It would make sense to look at the cost for Mass books for all three churches when the new edition is published next year.

**Blessed Carlo Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi October 2024:** Fr Mark is meeting with a Catholic Pilgrimage Company this September to look at prices for a pilgrimage next year.

**Date of next meeting** - 17 November 2023 at 7.30pm

*If you have any issue that you would like to be raised at the council, please speak to one of your church representatives.*

## Mission and Outreach

**THE FOOD COLLECTION** This week's donations have been distributed by Highfields School. 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.

**FARESHARE** will be at St Michael's Church Hall on Wednesday 27th September 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 free food home.

**FREE PRELOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM** is available at St Columba's URC, Castlecroft Rd, Finchfield, Wolverhampton WV3 8BZ every Friday from 8th September -8th December from 3:15 to 6pm (except 27th October and 3rd November). Any donations of your child's outgrown branded uniform/ shoes/coats/ school bags would be greatly appreciated.

**SEASON OF CREATION: 1st September - 4th October** There are "Season of Creation Prayer Services" until Wednesday 4th October Join with the global Church community by connecting online through the opening and closing prayer services

<https://seasonofcreation.org/official-events>

**Prayer resources: CAFOD's Rosary for the Care of Creation** Use these joyful mysteries to reflect, pray and nourish your commitment to care for the earth. <https://cafod.org.uk/pray/pray-the-rosary/care-of-creation-rosary>

CAFOD's Novena to St Francis Nine brief reflections asking St Francis of Assisi to pray for us and our world, based on his beautiful Canticle of the Sun. <https://cafod.org.uk/pray/prayer-resources/novena-to-st-francis>

**LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH** On 10th & 17th September attractive pin badges will be on sale at St Michael's after 11.30am Mass. Please buy one! Each £1 raised will fund a pregnancy test for someone in need.

We help needy families with baby clothes and equipment and need **more helpers** so we can respond to all the requests we receive. If you might be able to spare an hour or so weekly to help with delivering items to local mums, please ring Rosalie on 01902 330553 to discuss what is involved.

Please also ring Rosalie if you have baby items you'd like to donate for our Outreach Care Service, or if you have heavy or bulky items to donate to our charity shop and would like them collected from you.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** Calvin Robinson will be speaking on 'The importance of Praying in Public' on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept, 4pm to help launch the autumn 40 Days for Life campaign – All welcome! This will be held in St Jospeh & St Helen's RC Church Hall, 84, Northfield Road, Kings Norton, B'ham B30 1JG. For more info, contact Isabel: 07773501721 [izzyvs@gmail.com](mailto:izzyvs@gmail.com)

## Finance

200 Club Draw August: St Michael-Winner - No. 31 Mandy Cox

<b>OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> September 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>	260.56	300.22	94.34	38.00		693.12
<b>Gift Aid</b>		33.00	22.00	55.00		110.00
<b>Mass Attendance</b>	237	237	61			535
<b>Standing Order: August 2023: £4338.00</b>						

The Second Collection this weekend 16<sup>th</sup>/ 17<sup>th</sup> September is for the Home Mission – see note at the top of the bulletin.  
Next weekend 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> September Fr Hudson's Society

## Regular Prayer Opportunities

**NEW PRAYER INITIATIVE** Starting next weekend, there will be a special book for you to write any prayer intentions that you would like to share with the parish community. This special 'prayer intention' book will be situated either in the porch or just inside the church, depending on the church. More details next weekend.

**SILENT ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Monday 6.45 pm – 7.20 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:** 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, Johny 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:** James, Brennan, Gina Silba, Matthew Eustace Joseph, Margot Kenny, Michael Reeve, Patrick McGuckin, Margaret Flanagan, Tommy McCamphill, Eileen Farmer. **May they rest in peace.**

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