



# 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 26<sup>th</sup> September

For Online Masses, go to [www.carloacutis.co.uk](http://www.carloacutis.co.uk)

### TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B 26<sup>th</sup> September

**Saturday Vigil Mass** 5.30 pm St Michael *Pro populo*  
**SUNDAY** 9.00 am St Bernadette *Holy Souls*  
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Thanksgiving for God's Mercy*  
 11.30 am St Michael *Malachy & Rosheen McElmee Golden Wedding*  
 5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*  
 6.00 pm SS Peter & Paul *Holy Souls*

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September Memorial of St Vincent de Paul, Priest

7.00 pm St Michael *Confirmation Mass*

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September Feria

9.30 am SS Peter & Paul and online *Eileen Donnelly*

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael-Archangel

10.00am St Bernadette *Gerard Smyth*  
 1pm SS Peter & Paul *Requiem Mass for Michael Gibbons*  
 6.30pm St Michael's *Holy Souls*

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September Memorial of St Jerome, Doctor of the Church

10.00 am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
 12.00 noon St Michael *Michael Tucker*

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

9:30 am St Bernadette *Holy Souls*  
 12.00 noon SS Peter and Paul & Online *Sr Anne-Marie*  
 12.30 pm Adoration and Divine Mercy Devotions

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October Memorial of the Guardian Angels

10.30am St Michael *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
 11.00am St Michael *Confessions*

### TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B 3<sup>rd</sup> October

**Saturday Vigil Mass** 5.30 pm St Michael *Holy Souls*  
**SUNDAY** 9.00 am St Bernadette *Mary Abbiss RIP*  
 10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Carlo Ropos*  
 11.30 am St Michael *Pro populo*  
 5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*  
 6.00 pm SS Peter & Paul *Holy Souls*

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

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

**Proximity at St Mary's College, Oscott, on Saturday 2 October.** A new, annual event for altar servers of all ages. The aim is to form servers in faith as those who come close to Jesus at the altar, so that they may grow closer to him in their lives. This year, the day is based around the life and witness of recently-beatified teenager Blessed Carlo Acutis. [Proximity 2021 | Birmingham Diocesan Trust \(birminghamdiocese.org.uk\)](#)

**Course for those interested in becoming Catholics** This course starts on Monday October 4<sup>th</sup> and will run weekly (apart from holiday breaks) until Easter 2022 when hopefully you will be received into the Catholic Church. We will be meeting in the Sacristy Meeting Room at St Michael's Church. If you are interested in joining us, please contact one of the priests.

**Interested in deepening your knowledge of Your Faith through Zoom meetings?** Then the online Sycamore Course is just for you! It will run on **Tuesday evenings** from October 5<sup>th</sup> and is being hosted by a group of parishioners from the St Newman Cluster Parish along with Fr Criag Fullard. Fr Mark attended this course last year and was very impressed. If you are interested in joining this course from the comfort of your home, email [bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk) and put SYCAMORE in the subject box.

**The annual diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage** will take place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 12noon at St Chad's Cathedral. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary during 2021 (from your 1<sup>st</sup> up to 60<sup>th</sup> (every 5 years), and every year over 60) please email Lianne Pap (Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator) [marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk) for your names to be listed in the Mass booklet. You can also send in 'then & now' photos to be part of the video compilation. We are looking to find the longest married couple in the diocese, so if you think you, your parents or grandparents could be it then let Lianne know! The Mass is open to all married couples, as well as those preparing to marry in 2021 but you will need to register a place via email – [marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk) Closing date to register for the Mass is 1<sup>st</sup> October.

**St Michael's Feast Day Mass 6.30 pm 29<sup>th</sup> September** The Joint Parish Choir have been working very hard to make this a great celebration for the whole parish. We are now very blessed to have four patrons in our parish and it would be a good tradition to develop for us all to come along to each church on their feast day as part of our joint parish life. All are welcome then this Wednesday!

**Volunteers needed at St Bernadette's** After the Service of blessing and veneration of the relic at 3.00pm, we need volunteers to organise tea and biscuits in the hall and also stewarding because the Covid Risk Assessment allows only 35 people in the hall. This means we will need help to keep people circulating and go back out into the car park after they have picked up their refreshments. Please contact Julie Collins if you can help out. She will be outside after Mass this Sunday. Julie can also be contacted on [julie.collins5@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:julie.collins5@tiscali.co.uk)

**Livestream Mass at SS Peter and Paul on 10th October** This is the Mass at which the new parish of Bl Carlo Acutis is to be blessed by Archbishop Bernard. We would like to include in the Bidding Prayers some of the various native languages of members of our parish. If you would like to make an intention for prayer in your own language, would you please get in touch: [simonjswanwick@gmail.com](mailto:simonjswanwick@gmail.com)

**Church flowers:** Due to the ever-increasing cost of fresh flowers for St Michael's church, it is deemed necessary to ask you for your financial support in this matter. Could you please leave any donation at the back of the church in the designated slot in the wall in the foyer. We would also welcome some assistance in preparation of flower arrangements one or two hours every two weeks. For more information, please contact Maria Robbins 01902 763220 or Ann Lewis 01902 677270.

**A big "Thank you!"** from the Catholic Women's League for attending and giving so generously at the lovely MacMillan Afternoon tea Friday 24<sup>th</sup>. We raised an incredible £420.47.

**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](mailto:sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk)

## *Mission and Outreach*

**This Weekend 25-26 September, the second collection will be for Father Hudson's Care** to support their mission of supporting vulnerable people across the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Father Hudson's reaches out to people of all ages who need support at times of adversity. Please Call 01675 434000 if you would like to donate outside of Mass this year. Please give generously to this worthy cause.

**SVP Coffee/Tea afternoon** will resume on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021. For the convenience of many who can't make it in the morning we have changed the time to 2.30pm. It is an opportunity for all who wish to come and socialise and have a friendly chat over a cup of tea/coffee. All are welcome.

**An Exhibition for Recovery Month** is being held at the Light House. Art groups facilitated by The Good Shepherd and artists from the University have been working with people affected by various forms of addiction, experience of the criminal justice system and homelessness. It's a wonderful exhibition and well worth visiting to support the Good Shepherd Ministry.

**Fair Trade Wolverhampton** Fair Trade is emerging from the pandemic! It will be holding a Fairtrade Market Place this Saturday (2nd October) from 10.30am - 12.30pm at Beckminster Methodist Church, Birches Barn Road. Crafts, groceries and Christmas cards will be on sale.

**The Food Collection**: continues at its usual times: St Bernadette at Sunday Mass; SS Peter & Paul at 10.15 Sunday Mass; St Michael at all Masses and Tuesday 1-2 AND Saturday 10-11. Donations of tinned and dried food; milk and cereal; fruit and vegetables are gratefully received. This week's donations will be distributed to local families via St Teresa's Catholic Primary Academy. Thank you!

**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.

**Good Shepherd Ministry Cycling Sponsorship** If you were kind enough to sponsor the team would you please put your money and name in an envelope marked 'Bro Charles' and leave it with Sr in St Michael's Hall when you next attend a weekend Mass or leave it at the presbytery. Thank you so much for supporting the GSM, late sponsors welcome!

**Crisp Packet Recycling**: The empty packets collected at St Michael's in the initiative from Youth Group are taken to Wombourne SPAR (sometimes by parishioners from St Bernadette's) as part of the Terracycle scheme. Crisp packets, like other waste, can be a valuable resource and the managers at SPAR donate the income to good causes: a double win.

**St Bartholomew's Flower Festival**: celebrate God's gift of nature Sept 25-27 (Sat, Mon: 10- 4.30; Sun: noon -5). Come and walk amid bright displays; refreshments in the Oak Room.

## Celebrations for our Parish Feast Day

*All the activities of the celebrations are based around the Eucharist, prayer to Our Lady, outreach to the poor, a celebration of joy and an emphasis on involving young people.*

- Novena prayer after Mass in the 9 days leading up to the feast on October 12th
- 30-minute Vigils at 6.00 pm at St Michael's on Monday Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, SS Peter & Paul on Tuesday October 5<sup>th</sup> and St Bernadette on Wednesday October 6<sup>th</sup>. These will be conducted in conjunction with the Primary Academies.
- 7.30 pm Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October: All gather at St Bernadette's to pray the Rosary with Blessed Carlo.
- 7.30 pm Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October Healing Mass at St Michael's church.
- **October 10th Sunday Visit of Archbishop Bernard Longley to bless the new parish.**
  - **10.15 am** Archbishop will celebrate Mass at SS Peter & Paul and will be live-streamed. The Mass will conclude with the proclamation of the new parish and blessing of an image of Blessed Carlo for that church. This will be followed with veneration of the relic of Blessed Carlo.
  - **12.30 pm** Archbishop then travels to St Michael's to join those who have been at the 11.30am Mass for a blessing of an image of Blessed Carlo for that church. This will be followed with veneration of the relic of Blessed Carlo. *(This will be followed by tea and biscuits.)*
  - **3.00 pm** Archbishop then travels to St Bernadette's for a service of blessing of an image of Blessed Carlo for that church. This will be followed with veneration of the relic of Blessed Carlo. *(This will be followed by some tea and biscuits.)*

*As blessed Carlo had a special regard for the poor of his city, there will be a second collection for local charities that weekend.*

## Finances

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for August 2021: St Michael's £ 1696.25 St. Bernadette's £700.18 and SS Peter & Paul £ 293.00

There will be a second collection this weekend 25<sup>th</sup> / 26<sup>th</sup> September Father Hudson society. 3<sup>rd</sup> October CAFOD (Harvest Fast)

**Counters Needed:** We are in need of counters to count the weekend Mass collections. If you wish to volunteer to be included in the Counters Rota, please contact one of the sisters. The counting will take place every Monday between 10.00 and 11.00am. Thank you.

### Offertory Collection for Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Second Collection:
<b>Non-Gift Aid</b>	£87.05	£221.25	£62.00	101.93 CASE
<b>Gift Aid</b>	£90.00	£105.00	£518.00	

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** 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:** Peter Phillips, George Butterfield, Brian McFarlane, John Norton, Josephine Wright, Teresa Taylor. **May they rest in peace.**

**Safeguarding Representatives:** Steve & Chris Callow 01902 340775, Ann Shorthouse 01902 326334

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