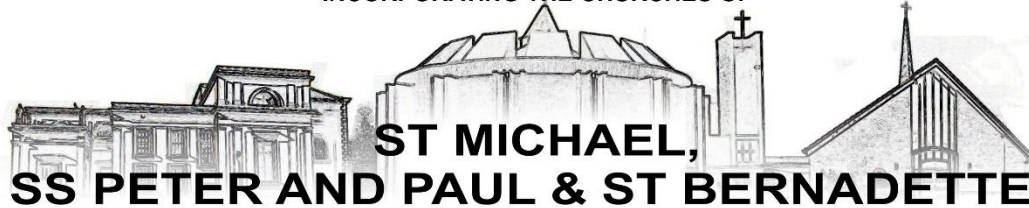




THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



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Timetable of Online Masses and Services 5th September

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

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (year B) 5th September

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30 pm St Michael *Peggy Kenny RIP*
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *Jane Morgan RIP*
10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *Mary Doherty RIP*
11.30 am St Michael *Witold Kapustka RIP*
5.00 pm St Michael *Syro-Malabar Liturgy*
6.00 pm SS Peter & Paul *pro populo*

Monday 6th September Feria

6.30 pm St Michael *Joe Leonard Bate RIP*

Tuesday 7th September Feria

10.30 am SS Peter & Paul and online Requiem Mass *Richard Anthony Finnerty RIP*

Wednesday 8th September Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8.00 am SS Peter & Paul *Peter & Margaret Holmes 65th Wedding Anniversary*
12.00 noon St Bernadette *Ben Sherry*

Thursday 9th September Feria

10.00 am St Bernadette *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
12.00 noon St Michael *Ian Duff-Cole*

Friday 10th September Feria

9.30 am St Bernadette *Thanksgiving*
12.00 noon SS Peter and Paul & Online *Carmela & Benedetto Longo*
12.30 pm *Adoration and Confessions*

Saturday 11th September Feria

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

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (year B) 12th September

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.30 pm St Michael *Maureen Dyke RIP*
SUNDAY 9.00 am St Bernadette *Anthony (from Cork)*
10.15 am SS Peter & Paul & Online *pro populo*
11.30 am St Michael *Edward Dajczak RIP*
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!

New Deacon for the Parish We welcome Rev. Mr. Michael McKearney to our parish team. Michael is in full time work as the Ongoing Formation Coordinator of the diocese, but he will be able to help out in the parish at weekends and some evenings. Michael will be joining us at Mass this weekend at the 5.30pm vigil Mass and the 10.15 Sunday Mass. He will then be joining the 9.00am and 11.30am Mass the following week. We wish him every blessing as he joins our parish community!

National Altar Servers Mass at SS Mary & John Wolverhampton Saturday 25th September at 12.00 noon. Please bring your cassock or alb and it would make sense if we all meet at **SS Peter & Paul at 11.15am** and walk across the city centre so that we can all sit together as one parish group. ***Please let Sr Lydwyn know if you are attending.***

Climate Action Meeting: 16th September 7-9pm (online) Join us in combatting climate change. We have great strength and passion in our network, and we want to ask you to help us find ways to address the climate emergency together and to respond to Pope Francis' call for an ecological conversion. The Archdiocese is increasing its conversion to green energy and has committed to ethical investment. Parishes and schools have taken part in CAFOD Live Simply Awards. We are proud of this work, but we want to do more and to reach more people. You are invited to join our initial open meeting, via Zoom, in which we will talk about the work we have done and what we wish to do, and where we will invite you to feedback, share your stories or simply add your support.

[Climate Action Meeting | Birmingham Diocesan Trust \(birminghamdiocese.org.uk\)](https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/ClimateActionMeeting)

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 \(birminghamdiocese.org.uk\)](https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Proximity2021)

The Lady Chapel at St Michael's The building work to open up the Lady Chapel into the church will begin this Thursday. Behind the statue of Our Lady is a large chapel that at present can only be accessed from outside the church. The building work may not be immediately noticeable but eventually a plywood screen will cover the entrance in order to stop dust coming into the church. The Statue of Our Lady will be moved to one of the other side chapels during this period. Plans of the work will be available in the porch at St Michael's and on the website. When it is finished, you will be able to enter the Lady Chapel from the church and it will become an area for Private Prayer, Adoration and Devotions.

Course for those interested in becoming Catholics This course starts on Monday October 4th 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 5th 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 and put SYCAMORE in the subject box.

The annual diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage will take place on Saturday 9th October, 12noon at St Chad's Cathedral. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary during 2021 (from your 1st up to 60th (every 5 years), and every year over 60) please email Lianne Pap (Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator) 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 Closing date to register for the Mass is 1st October.

St Michael's Feast Day Mass 6.30 pm 29th September. Further to the article in the weekly bulletin some few weeks ago. We are now hopeful, pandemic permitting, to holding rehearsals each Monday at 7.30pm at St Michael's church starting on Monday 6th September where we will learn items of music in preparation for the Festival of St Michael and All Angel's on Wednesday 29th September. I am looking for singers in from across the three churches who have some practical knowledge in reading music and singing covering the range of S.A.T.B. and are willing to learn new and exciting music. On this occasion, we have just four weeks to put a programme of music together which requires regular attendance to the Monday rehearsals. I look forward to seeing everyone who can participate in this venture. Thank you for your Support. Hugh Smith FGMS.

Fr Patrick Daly (previous parish Priest of SS Peter & Paul) This year Fr Patrick celebrates thirty years of priestly ordination. To mark this special occasion there will be a sung Mass at Our Lady & St Anne Caversham on Tuesday 14th September at 7pm followed by a canape reception in the Cenacle. To help with catering, if you are planning to stay to the reception please book on [Eventbrite](https://bit.ly/3DD30KQ). <https://bit.ly/3DD30KQ>

Bible Time Line Course The diocese is providing a fantastic opportunity for parishes in this Year of the Word - *The God Who Speaks*. Mauro Iannicelli will deliver the Bible Timeline Course again, completely **free of charge**, via Live-Streaming, **from Wed 29 Sept 2021 to Wed 17 Nov 2021**. For any further information, parishes can contact Mauro Iannicelli | Come & See Catholic Evangelisation Ministries at: **Email:** info@comeandsee.org

Mobile: 07868 055593 (also WhatsApp) **Web:** www.comeandsee.org This course could be followed by a parish group. If anyone is interested in co-ordinating such a group, please contact Fr Mark before September 9th. Many thanks.

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.

Mission and Outreach

Welcome Home: You are invited to join Alpha UK and Divine Renovation UK on Tuesday Sept 7th 7-8pm, for an on-line consideration of how to draw people back to Jesus and the Church at this stage of the pandemic. As we begin to survey the new terrain, there will be new opportunities to outreach to those around us. Register at: <https://www.tfaforms.com/4917263>

Housing for Afghan Refugees. The council are looking for rental properties to be able to house Afghan nationals who are being located into Wolverhampton as part of the commitment to take in refugees. There is a specific scheme available that offers terms that are based on Local Housing Allowance rates but with some additional incentives thrown in as well. It is specifically for properties that are available immediately or at the very latest within the next four weeks. They are looking for single lets, family homes and HMOs with ensuite, so quite a variety of properties. If anyone is aware of such properties available, please email bca.wolves@rcaob.org and put Afghan Refugees in the subject box.

A Decade A Day? * Can you join the parish Section of the CWL in presenting a Spiritual Bouquet to the Holy Father for his intentions in relation to the November COP26 Climate Conference? We are sending this traditional gift of prayer to arrive for the Vatican Conference "Faith and Science: Towards COP26" (October 4th) - a greeting in advance of his proposed visit to Glasgow. Please contact us up to September 20th to offer any pledges you can contribute to this witness to our Catholic commitment to care for God's Creation. Contact: Margaret Richards 07837660789 or margierichards@sky.com *Equivalent to one set of mysteries a week; Communion intentions and all other gifts of prayer such as the Angelus most welcome.

The Food Collection: 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 via a 'pop up' shop at SS Peter & Paul 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 Please pray for Nuala Scarisbrick, co-founder of the LIFE, who died on 31st August. This National Charity, which has since 1969 helped very many pregnant women and continues today to help still more. only came into being and grew through the dedication and hard work of Nuala and her husband Jack.

LIFE Charity Shop at 12 Lichfield Street WV1 1DG Tel 01902 420656. Could you help sort donated items, and steam clothes ready for display? Volunteers are needed to work 10.00am-2.00pm on Wednesdays and/or Fridays, or 12noon-4.00pm on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. You'd join a friendly team and would receive all necessary training. If you're interested, phone the shop and ask to speak to Catherine or Jane. If you are taking donated items to the shop and have more than 2 bags, please remember to ring the shop first and book a delivery slot. Alternatively, items can now be placed in the new DONATIONS BOX in the foyer at St Michael's church. You can also ring Rosalie (01902 330553) and arrange to drop items at her house or to have them collected from you.

Life Caring Outreach: continues to welcome donations of baby clothes and equipment, which are handed on to needy local mums and their families. Any one in need of such help can ring the Free National Helpline 0808 802 5433

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!

Sr Jean's Breakfast Club A massive thank you to everyone at St Michael's who continue to support the Breakfast Club through a monthly standing order. £300 is sent every month to Sudan. If you too would like to support the work of Sr Angelina, please collect a standing order form from St Michael's this weekend and return it to your bank. At St Michael's there will be a letter from Sr Angelina available with this bulletin.

Update on Celebrations for the new Parish Feast Day

The preparations for our celebrations in October are now beginning to take shape. *The aim is to base activities 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 4th, SS Peter & Paul on Tuesday October 5th and St Bernadette on Wednesday October 6th. These will be conducted in conjunction with the Primary Academies.
- 7.30 pm Thursday 7th October: A Pilgrimage to St Bernadette's to pray the Rosary with Blessed Carlo.
- 7.30 pm Friday 8th October Healing Mass *
- **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 some refreshments, depending on the Covid regulations in October.)*
 - **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 refreshments, depending on the Covid regulations in October.)*
- There will also be special Masses on the Feast Day itself, Tuesday October 12th
- As blessed Carlo had a special regard for the poor of his city, there will be a second collection for local charities that weekend and a possible fundraising event.

* The Concert that was to be on October 8th has been postponed till later in the year.

Finances

Many thanks to all who have started using Standing Orders for their offerings to the parish. The total of Standing orders for July 2021: St Michael's £ 1696.25 St. Bernadette's £700.18 and SS Peter & Paul £ 293.00
There will be a second collection next Sunday 12th September for Catholic Education Service.

Offertory Collection for Sunday 29th August 2021

	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Second Collection:
Non-Gift Aid	116.85	251.35	106.44	
Gift Aid	95.00	150.00	48.50	

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Christine McHale, Simon Swanwick, George Butterfield, 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: Brian McFarlane, John Norton, Josephine Wright. **May they rest in peace.**

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

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