



THE PARISH OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

INCORPORATING THE CHURCHES OF



ST MICHAEL, SS PETER AND PAUL & ST BERNADETTE

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21st April FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER VOCATIONS SUNDAY

Saturday Vigil 5:30 St Michael *Michael Newton RIP*

11.30 am St Michael *Pro populo*

9.00 am St Bernadette *Agnes Abbiss RIP*

4.00pm St Michael *Syro Malabar Liturgy*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Tony Burdon RIP*

Monday 22nd April Easter Feria

5.45pm St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

6.30pm St Michael *Bennett & Pheobe Wedding Anniversary*

Tuesday 23rd April Solemnity of St George, Martyr, Patron of England

7:15 am SS Peter & Paul *Harry Hedgecox RIP*

Wednesday 24th April Easter Feria

9.30am St Bernadette Service of Word & Communion

6.00pm St Michael Vigil Reception *Tommy Connors RIP*

Thursday 25th April Feast of St Mark, Evangelist

10.15am St Bernadette Requiem *Patricia Kearney RIP*

12.00pm St Michael Requiem *Tommy Connors RIP*

Friday 26th April Easter Feria

9.30am St Bernadette *Nora Showell – 100th Birthday*

12.00 noon SS Peter & Paul Adoration

12.30pm SS Peter & Paul *Michael & Chikam Olowe*

Saturday 27th April Easter Feria

10.00am St Michael *Eigbert Shordon*

10.30am St Michael Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

11.00am St Michael Confessions

28th April FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday Vigil 5:30 St Michael *Wedding Anniversary*

11.30 am St Michael *Pat Kearney*

9.00 am St Bernadette *Maud Kelly – 92nd Birthday.*

4.00pm St Michael *Syro Malabar Liturgy*

10.15 am SS Peter & Paul *Margaret June Chitty*

Parish Priest: Mgr. Canon Mark Crisp, **Assistant:** Fr. Alex Taylor, **Deacon:** Rev. Mr. Michael McKearney

Pastoral Assistants: Sr. Lydwyn and Sr. Anna Maria, Sisters of St Ann of Providence.

Parish Office: 173 Coalway Road WV3 7ND. **Parish House,** 51 North Street, 01902 423005

St Michael's Hall Bookings: bca.wolves@rcaob.org.uk **St. Bernadette's Hall:** Alison Banyard, 07581 340921

Hospital Chaplaincy New Cross 01902 695098, Russell's Hall 01384 456111 ext. 2352

Catholic Education from 3-19: sfscmac.co.uk

For Online Masses, go to www.carloacutis.co.uk **Parish Facebook page:** @carloacutisparish

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.

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.

Today is Vocations Sunday when we pray particularly for vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate and consecrated life.

Heavenly Father,
we ask you to send labourers into your harvest.

Inspire, in the hearts of your people,
vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life.

Bless our families with a spirit of generosity,
so that those whom you call
have the courage to give themselves
to your Church in faith.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

News and Activities.

VOCATIONS VIDEOS This would be a good week have a look at our new Vocations YouTube channel for our deanery. The channel is called 'DW Deanery Vocations' and the correct link is www.youtube.com/channel/UCGNRF7MsgfkJ6RqK-YKjrwA

GOD INVITES YOU TO RELATIONSHIP –this short course introducing ways of praying in the ways of St Ignatius continues this Friday for the next three weeks from 7.30pm to 9.00pm in St Michael's Hall. The evenings will be presented by members of *Manresa Link*.

Week three will introduce another way of *Stilling before prayer, and then the daily Examen prayer, a review of our past day – what we are grateful for, and where, looking back, we see where God was reaching out to us.*

OUR PARISH MAY PROCESSION TO OUR SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES IN WOMBOURNE will be at **3.00pm on Sunday 5th May**. This year the procession will be longer as we are starting at St Benedict Biscop's Anglican Church and then processing through the village to our shrine at St Bernadette's.

The Legion of Mary will be leading the decades of the Rosary and we will be singing the same hymns as last year between each decade. All the children and families from the First Holy Communion programme are invited to join us.

Please can people bring cakes for the refreshments afterwards?

DAY PILGRIMAGE to EVESHAM. Site of first Marian Shrine in England 706AD. All welcome. **Tuesday 7th May**. Coach from St Michael's at 9.30am. Free time, Rosary, and Mass at 2.00pm then shared Afternoon Tea. Depart 5.00pm. £25. (£10 deposit) Sign-up sheet at the back of church or contact Sarah 07948963325 Email sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

CHARITY SPRING CRAFT FAYRE Saturday 27th April 2pm-4.30pm in St Michael's Church Hall. Raffle and refreshments available. Donations of cakes and bakes (fakes okay, too) for the Cafe gratefully received. Stalls available. Book with Sarah 07948 963325 Email sarahandrews1970@yahoo.co.uk

APPEAL FOR CHURCH CLEANERS AT ST MICHAEL'S: We have two teams who work to make sure our church is a lovely place to worship. One team meets at 9.00am every other Monday and the other at 11.00am. It takes about an hour but the more volunteers we have the shorter the session. Both teams are a bit light on numbers now so if you feel you can join this ministry of 'Cleanliness of the Church', please contact Di on 07763768376. Many thanks to all our volunteers for turning up to clean our place of worship.

SVP COFFEE MORNING at St Bernadette's church hall will be on Thursday 23rd May 2024 at 11.00am and at St Michael's Church Hall 216.20 on Monday 20th May 2024 at 1.00pm. All are welcome.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 4th May at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. Archbishop Bernard will be celebrating the Mass this year. Please visit www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass

THE MAIN CAR PARK AT SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH is now a Public Car Park whereby you pay with an App on your phone. On Sunday Mornings the System is turned off until 2.00pm. If you intend to leave your car after 2.00pm you would need to enter your car registration into monitor at the back of Church, If you attend Mass, or a meeting or whatever in the church during the week, when you enter the church you need to enter your car registration number into the monitor at the back of church.

LITTLE ANGELS STAY & PLAY GROUP (ages 0-5) Fridays during term time 9am-11am in St Michael's Church Hall. Just £1.50 includes fruit, biscuits, unlimited drinks, craft table, lots of toys and space, singing. Contact Sarah 07948 963325

A VERY BIG THANK YOU to Priests, Sisters, schoolchildren, students from St Edmunds, congregation, and Angela for making my 100th Birthday Mass so special! Deo Gratias! *Norah Showell.*

Mission and Outreach

A YEAR OF ENCOUNTER: With a UK general election due sometime this year, politicians will be looking for our votes. We have a responsibility as Catholics to make sure that parties commit to tackling issues such as poverty and injustice. Raising our voices and contacting parliamentary candidates as a parish community will send a strong signal to those standing for election in our local constituencies. *A Year of Encounter* is a joint initiative between CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at the key moments. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter for more information, including an online session on 4 May to learn more.

FARESHARE: The FareShare distribution organised through St Michael's Church has sadly come to an end with immediate effect. This means that SS Peter & Paul, Woodfield and St Anthony's schools and local Penn families will no longer be able to receive additional support via FareShare. A massive thank you to EAST AND WEST AID for organising, collecting and paying for this service that has helped so many of our families over the last 21 months.

FOOD COLLECTION through our Blessed Carlo Acutis Parish: This scheme which targets Free School Meals (FSM) families continues to deliver your donations into our local schools. Your generosity is now even more important due to the loss of FareShare. In some of the schools you support OVER HALF of the children receive FSM. This week's donations and Aldi vouchers were distributed by St Edmunds Catholic Academy. Donations can be left at each of our parish churches. Thank you for your continued support.

"DO YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO IS IN NEED?" They may have material needs like food, clothing or maybe just need someone to call them or visit them. The SVP is here to help you or them. Please don't hesitate to contact us if this applies to anyone you know. Text or call Nick Greenwood on 07950 060238"

LIFE CHARITY SHOP and LIFE CARING OUTREACH We're grateful for your continuing donations of clothes, books and bric-a-brac for our shop at 12 Lichfield Street, with your help it always has a good variety of items for sale. Thank you as well for recent donations of baby and toddler clothes. Each week we give these to needy expectant mothers and their young families. We also need cots, buggies, etc; ring Rosalie on 01902 330553 if you can help and would like baby equipment collected from you.

ST EDMUND'S CATHOLIC ACADEMY are seeking a Teacher of RE position, well-qualified individual to deliver high-quality lessons and excellent pastoral care across KS3 and KS4. It is an exciting time to join St Edmund's Catholic Academy as we continue our journey towards outstanding. For more information, please visit website www.stedmunds.org or please telephone the St Francis and St Clare Catholic MAC recruitment line 01902 558709. Further details are on the notice board.

Finance

Winners of the 200 club Draw March 2024 No.298 Fr Alex Taylor £50.00
No.20B Stephen Wignall £10.00

THE CARD READER AT ST MICHAEL'S IS BROKEN but if you use your phone, you can donate through the website by using this QR code.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY 14th April 2024						
	SS Peter & Paul	St Michael	St Bernadette	Card Readers	Website	Total
Gift Aid		80.00	111.20	25.00		216.20
Non-Gift Aid	249.50	352.38	94.66	21.00		717.54
Mass Attendance	358	93, 238	101			790
Standing Order: March 2024: £ 4177.75						
Second Collection this weekend: Clergy Training Fund						

Prayer

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. **Saturday 10.30am- 11.30am** in Lady Chapel at St Michael's

CHARISMATIC 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 Meeting will be every 4th Thursday of the month. 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 be back on Tuesday 9th April in the Lady Chapel at St. Michael's at 5.00pm for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to join in for prayer.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR PRAYERS FOR THEIR HEALTH: Mick Gallagher, John Chell, Jan Taylor, Rodney Young, Morris Young, Elaine Howell, Magdalena de Rosario, Mary Ware, Rosa Tse, Antonia Colabella, Valerie Hinton, Rodney McKinney, Elizabeth Firth, Michael Foley, Ray O'Gorman, Pat Noad, Sheila Powell, Sheila Percy, Rose Curtis, Margaret Gay, Maurice Gay, Josephine Mann, Anna McGrath, Andy Hyatt, Mary Hill, Johnny Burke, Charles Halldron, Marjorie Halldron, Ben McKearney, Philomena Labdy, Steve Kavanagh, Antony Cosgrove, Sheila Botwood, 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, Freya Haynes

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Eugene Nellany, Ernest Leslie Jones, Patricia Kearney, William (Bill) Richards, **May they rest in peace.**

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