



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 1st October 2017

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Parish Diary

Saturday 30th September

St Jerome, Priest & Doctor
10am Philip French (4th Ann)
10.30am-11am Confessions
11.30am Baptism (Mary del Palomo)
1.30pm Baptism (William Duhig)
6.30pm Michael & Norrie Golden (RIP)

Sunday 1st October

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8.30am Pro Populo
10.30am Brunel Students (int)
3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction
5pm Kathleen O'Leary (RIP)

Monday 2nd October

Holy Guardian Angels
9.30am Henryk Kozlowicz (RIP)
7pm Alpha Course 1 (hall)

Tuesday 3rd October Feria

9.30am Holy Souls
4pm-7pm Secondary School Form Interviews

Wednesday 4th October

St Francis of Assisi
9.30am Anthony O'Hara & family (int)

Thursday 5th October Feria

NO MASS

Friday 6th October

St Bruno (Harvest Fast Day)
9.30am St Anthony & St Jude (tx)
1pm Joyce Wright (Funeral)
7pm Susan Burley (Sung Mass in Latin)

Saturday 7th October

Our Lady of the Rosary
10am Ophilda D'Souza (RIP)
10.30am-11am Confessions
12 noon Wedding (Farai Makoni & Anne Chanakira)
4pm Youth Group (house)
6.30pm Pro Populo

Sunday 8th October

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8.30am Christina Brohan (3rd Ann)
10.30am Anatalia Ecle (2nd Ann)
12 noon Parish Sunday Lunch (hall)
3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction
5pm Nicanor & Narcisa Amistad (RIP)

This Sunday there will be an appeal at all Masses in preparation for the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day on Friday (6th October). This year the charity is standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training and strong seeds. Please pick up a Fast Day envelope, fast this Friday and give what you can in the collection next weekend.

'**Fresher's Mass**' for Brunel University will be celebrated at this Sunday's 10.30am Mass and the students will be providing us with teas and coffees afterwards.

Alpha Course One of the main parish initiatives this autumn is the Alpha Course (in a Catholic context), allowing us to 'go back to basics', ponder the meaning of life and re-evaluate our relationship with the Lord. It will run every Monday 7pm-9pm starting from **this week (2nd October)** till 11th December. Sessions will begin with a simple meal and everyone is welcome! There will also be the opportunity to go on a retreat weekend in the Bridgettine Convent at Iver Heath on 10th-12th November. Information and registration forms available in the Church or please contact Maciek Zagwojski on 07553 850304 or m.zagwojski@gmail.com

Secondary School Applications On Tuesday 3rd October between 4pm and 7pm Fr Nicholas will be available to sign CCP/Priest's References for Secondary School applications. The sheets with interview slots are now at the back of the church—so please put down your child's name and details if you would like to have a form signed.

Joyce Wright (RIP) We were very sorry to hear of Joyce's death on 14th September, aged 96. She was a well-known figure in the parish, until a few years ago helping with the flower arranging, and attending the 10.30am Mass whenever she could. Her husband, George, died in 2012, and we offer our condolences to their children Lesley, Christopher and Andrew, and all the family. Her funeral will be celebrated here on **Friday 6th October at 1pm**.

Sunday Parish Lunch takes place next Sunday from after the 10.30am Mass—please bring food and drink to share. All are welcome!

International Mass This popular annual celebration takes place at **10.30am on Sunday 15th October**. As always, parishioners are strongly encouraged to provide food and drink from their country of origin, and come to Mass in national dress. If you are willing to take part, please put your details on the sheets at the back of the church. Hillingdon is one of the most diverse places in the U.K. and, indeed, the world and there is much to give thanks for! If you have any queries, please email Dave Cronin davecronin10@yahoo.co.uk

Angela, our Pastoral Assistant, has been called for jury service which we are expecting to last until mid-October. This will, of course, have implications for some of our activities and the day-to-day working of the parish office. If you need to contact us please use the general email (uxbridge@rcdow.org.uk) rather than Angela's email, which she will have only limited access to. Many thanks for your patience!

Helping the Victims of Hurricane Maria You will have read about last week's horrific Hurricane Maria, which caused havoc in the Caribbean, especially Dominica. If you would like to help, please consider donating first aid supplies, nappies, and/or dry tin / packet food either at St Mary's School on Friday 6th October or at our church at Masses on 7th/8th October. These will be collected and taken to the Dominica High Commission.

Day with Mary takes place in our church on Saturday 21st October, 9.30am-5pm. Posters available at the back with more information.

Intentions for Masses get booked very quickly and normally there is a waiting list of 4-6 weeks. It is now our parish policy that bookings can be made **no more than six months in advance**. This is because Masses are sometimes booked before we have even arranged special events, pilgrimages, weddings, holidays, etc, and then we have to move Mass intentions around. Funerals, etc sometimes necessitate this at short notice but we are trying to simplify the system, free up the diary for intentions and limit the inconvenience caused. Please remember the suggested donation (stipend) for Masses is £10.

Mgr Augustine Hoey RIP, our oldest priest, died on Tuesday, just a few months short of his 102nd birthday. May he rest in peace.

Charity Concert Our church will be hosting a Charity Concert '**We Remember Them**' on Friday 13th October at 7.30pm. We are delighted that our very own Josee Sulyma will be performing as soprano soloist and we will also be welcoming the Northwood HQ Volunteer Band. The repertoire will range from Mozart to songs from the world wars. All proceeds will go to the British Legion. Tickets are priced £10, including a drink, and are **now available**. Josee will be selling tickets outside church after the 10.30am Mass. This event is currently at risk of being canceled due to lack of ticket sale.

Free Repair and Restyle Workshop offering tips and practical advice on how to extend the life of your clothes takes place in our parish hall on 22nd November, 6pm-9pm. To book tickets search on www.billetto.co.uk for 'Love your clothes'

Calling all Brunel students! Brunel Catholic Society is meeting this Wednesday at 5.30pm in the meeting house. Come along and learn about the Catholic faith and have fun!

Catholic History Walks: *The King's Good Servant*. Thursday 5th October at 2pm. The story of St Thomas More, walking around his Chelsea Estate. Meet at the Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer and St Thomas More, Cheyne Row, Chelsea. (Nearest Tube: Gloucester Road or South Kensington.)

Youth Group next meets on 7th October at 4pm in the presbytery. Why not come along?

Memorial Mass for Cardinal Cormac takes place on Wednesday 4th October at 5.30pm in Westminster Cathedral. This Mass is especially envisaged for those who were unable to attend the Funeral Mass. Representatives of organisations in which the Cardinal took a particular interest, as well as members of the diplomatic community in London, will also be present. All are welcome!

Pope's Prayer Intention for September is 'that all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good'.

We're connected! Check us out on Instagram (@uxbridgecatholic), Facebook (@Uxbridge Catholic Parish) and Twitter (@UxbridgeCath), as well as our website (www.catholicchurchuxbridge.org.uk).

In case you are admitted to hospital please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Alternatively contact Fr Nicholas or Angela.

Sunday Collection:
Sunday 24th September
 Loose Plate £2,070.63
 Planned Giving £378.07
Total £2,448.70
(including a collection taken at the Funeral of Mrs Raquel Attipoe). **Many thanks!**

For Your Diary...

First Communion Parents Meetings Tuesday 10th and 17th October, 7pm

Parish Alpha Course starts on 2nd October, 6.30pm

International Mass Sunday 15th October, 10.30am

Day with Mary Saturday 21st October, 9.30am-5pm



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