



# Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B), 4th February 2018

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## Parish Diary

### Saturday 3rd February

SS Laurence, Dunstan & Theodore

10am Vinod Babber (int)

10.30am-11am Confessions

4pm-6pm Youth Group (hall)

6.30pm Pro Populo

### Sunday 4th February

#### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am John & Ann Dempsey (RIP)

9.15am First Communion Class #7

10.30am St Anthony (thanksgiving)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction

5pm Patrick Loftus (RIP)

*Blessings of Throats available after Mass  
this weekend*

### Monday 5th February

St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

9.30am Rana Mubariz (RIP)

4.30pm Meet at Uxbridge station for  
*Tour of Diocesan Archive*

### Tuesday 6th February

St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

9.30am Eileen Nolan (4th Ann)

### Wednesday 7th February Feria

9.30am Lowery family (RIP)

10.30am Bridget Wolstenholme (Funeral)

### Thursday 8th February

St Josphine Bakhita

NO MASS

### Friday 9th February

Feria

9.30am Malone family (int)

7pm *Traditional Sung Latin Mass*

### Saturday 10th February

St Scholastica, Virgin

NO 10am MASS/CONFESSIONS

**12 noon Mass of Healing for the Sick**

followed by refreshments in the hall

5.45pm-6.15pm Confessions

6.30pm Pro Populo

### Sunday 11th February

#### Our Lady of Lourdes

8.30am Martin Bourke (RIP)

10.30am Domingo Pauig Sr (14th Ann)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction

5pm Sheila Morris (RIP)

**This weekend** the traditional Blessing of Throats for the Feast of St Blaise will be available after all Masses.

**We also welcome** Martina Kearney, who will promoting her Divine Mercy music after Masses this weekend.

**Evening Tour of Westminster Diocesan Archive** takes place on Monday (5th February) - either meet at Uxbridge station at 4.30pm or meet outside Our Lady of Victories church (Kensington High Street, opposite the entrance to Holland Park) at 5.45pm. No booking required and no charge, except travel into London.

**Bridget Wolstenholme RIP** We were sorry to hear of the death of Bridget Wolstenholme, late of Cobden Close, last weekend, aged 85. Her funeral will be celebrated here on Wednesday (7th February) at 10.30am. May she rest in peace.

**First Friday** Traditional Sung Latin Mass has been moved this month to the second Friday—9th February at 7pm.

**Next Sunday** (11th February) we will be celebrating our patronal feast of Our Lady of Lourdes rather than the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Pastoral Letter from the Cardinal for that Sunday will be read the following week. We will be praying the Novena for Our Lady of Lourdes after weekday Masses this week.

**Mass of Healing for the Sick** takes place next Saturday - **10th February**—at **12 noon (not 2pm as previously advertised)**, around our patronal feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. The sick and housebound are especially welcome to attend and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated during the Mass. A blessing will also be given to carers, nurses, etc. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards! This takes the place of our morning Mass. We are looking for

- Donations of cake and/or savoury snacks on the day
- Volunteer drivers to collect and drop home those who need transport
- Welcomers to help seat our guests for the Mass
- Helpers to serve tea/coffee, etc in the hall

Please see Angela if you are willing to help.

**Ash Wednesday** Don't forget that Lent starts on Wednesday 14th February and there will be Masses here at 9.30am and 7pm. The romantic among you will note that this is also St Valentine's Day! Since Ash Wednesday is one of our two annual days of fasting and abstinence, you might want to consider keeping your Valentine celebrations the night before...

**Lourdes and Paris** St Peter's Pilgrimages is arranging five-day pilgrimages to Lourdes and Paris by coach, with Mass at the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal, Rue du Bac, setting off on 29th March, 25th May, 27th July, 13th August and 26th October, prices from £350. Please see the publicity at the back of the church.

### **Women's World Day of Prayer**

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 2pm we will be hosting the Women's World Day of Prayer in our church. This takes place each year, at a rotating location, and the theme for 2018 is 'All God's Creation is Very Good!' The focus this year is on the women of Suriname in South America, who have prepared the service. All are welcome to attend – men and women – and if you would like to help as a reader please speak to Angela.

**Bible Timeline** will be meeting at 7pm on five Mondays in Lent from 26th February to 26th March. All are welcome, even if you have not attended previous sessions. This course, based on DVD presentations, discussion and our own prayerful reading of Scripture, will help us discover the Old Testament and the way it is linked to the New Testament.

### **Parish Pilgrimage to Greece**

(Thessaloniki to Athens) 'in the footsteps of St Paul' is being organised with St Peter's Pilgrimages, 22nd-27th October, at a cost of £790, including flights, half-board accommodation (single room supplement £30 per night). Please see Angela for further information.

### **Calling all Brunel students!**

Brunel Catholic Society is meeting this Wednesday at 5.30pm at the Meeting House. We will be enjoying pizza before thinking about how we can read our bibles! Please contact us via our chaplain Sr Mary: mary.kenefick@brunel.ac.uk or on our Facebook group - Brunel Catholic Society.

**Parish Lenten Talk** We are delighted that Rabbi Dr Andrew Goldstein has kindly agreed to give a talk at 6.15pm on Sunday 11th March on 'If I forget thee O Jerusalem....a Jewish view of the Holy City'. Jerusalem plays a central role in both our Faiths (as well as Islam) and the talk will tie in nicely to the Bible Timeline course, beginning on 26th February. Rabbi Goldstein is originally from Warwick and was Senior Rabbi for many years at the Northwood and Pinner Liberal Synagogue and has published widely. Please do make a note of the date in your diary!

**Parking** Please remember not to block either of the white gates leading into the BT exchange opposite the church since 24 hour access is needed. Also, when parking in front of the presbytery during Mass please use the space as efficiently as possible and allow room for other cars! Thanks.

**Alpha Prayer Group** Following the successful Alpha Course, some of the participants are continuing the good work with a monthly prayer group which will be held in the church/hall on the third Saturday of each month at around 7.15pm. All are welcome, even if you did not attend Alpha!

**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).

### **Keeping our Church Clean**

Please keep our church clean especially by taking litter home with you and making sure that no food is consumed in church. It is our shared sacred space and a home from home so let us treat it with respect. As they say, cleanliness is next to godliness!

**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.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for February** is 'that all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities'.

### **Sunday Collection:**

#### **Sunday 28th January**

Loose Plan: £554.32

Planned Giving: £319.95

**Total: £874.27**

### **This Week's Sanctuary Lamp Intentions**

Bl. Sacrament: Good Counsel Network (int)

Our Lady: Mary Ann Walsh (RIP)

### **For Your Diary**

**Mass of Healing for the Sick** Saturday 10th February, 12 noon

**Ash Wednesday** 14th February, Masses 9.30am & 7pm

**Alpha Prayer Book**, 17th February, 7.15pm

**Women's World Day of Prayer** 2nd March, 2pm



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