



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A), 5th February 2017

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Parish Diary

Saturday 4th February

Sat Commemoration of Our Lady

10am Cowley family (int)

10.30am-11am Confessions

11am Baptism Preparation for Children

2pm Wedding (Lee Patterson & Chloe Petford)

6.30pm Kathleen Fenlon (2nd Ann)

Sunday 5th February

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8.30am Pro Populo

9.15am First Communion Class

10.30am Gerard Kane (int)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour

5pm Paddy Larkin (RIP)

Monday 6th February

St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

9.30am Eileen Nolan (3rd Ann)

Tuesday 7th February

Feria

9.30am Margaret O'Brien (int)

7pm RCIA (house)

Wednesday 8th February

St Josephine Bakhita

9.30am Holy Souls

10am Parish Coffee Morning

Thursday 9th February

Feria

NO MASS

Friday 10th February

St Scholastica, Virgin

9.30am Rita Akerman (int)

8pm Men of St Joseph (hall)

Saturday 11th February

Sat Commemoration of Our Lady

NO 10am MASS

10.30am-11am Confessions

12 noon Mass for the Sick

4pm-6pm Youth Group

6.30pm St Anthony (thanksgiving)

Sunday 12th February

Our Lady of Lourdes

8.30am Pro Populo

10.30am Domingo Pauig Snr (13th Ann)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour

5pm Gerald Simpson (RIP)

Next weekend we will celebrate our Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. This will be transferred to the Sunday but on the day itself, Saturday 11th February, we are organizing a Mass of Healing for all those who are suffering in mind and body (and those who look after them). At the Mass the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated. All are welcome. If you need transport to get to church, please contact Tracey Allen (Co-ordinator of our Sick Visit Team) on 07867302372. **We are looking for donations of cakes for afterwards!**

Next weekend there will be an appeal and second collection from The Passage.

Audrey Sylvia Skinner RIP We were very sad to hear that Audrey died on 22nd January, aged 87. She was the widow of the late Michael Skinner and mother of Angela and Christopher. Audrey was a parishioner here for more than 60 years, though recently she was unable to come to Mass regularly. She did make it to Mass here on Christmas Day, however, a few days before being taken ill and hospitalized. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated here on Wednesday 15th February at 12.15pm, followed by committal at Cherry Lane Cemetery.

Policarpo Goes RIP We extend our sympathy to Mona Liza and family on the death of Policarpo Goes on 21st January. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St Bernadette's, Hillingdon on Monday 6th February at 11am, followed by burial at Woodcock Hill Cemetery, Rickmansworth.

Nursery Forms The deadline at St Mary's is at Easter and we will be conducting interviews for the priest to sign the necessary paperwork a few weeks before. Please watch this space! In order for the CCP to be signed, you need to show that you are practicing Catholics and have been regularly attending Sunday Mass here for at least six months. Please make sure you get your Mass Attendance Card signed each week.

Sunday Family Lunch next takes place in the hall now on Sunday 19th (not 12th) February, from about 12.30pm. All are welcome; please bring food and drink to share!

Preparation for Infant Baptisms next takes place on Saturday 25th March at 2.30pm. Please see Fr Nicholas or Angela for more information.

Altar Servers Those servers who have been serving for at least one year are entitled to receive the medal of the Archconfraternity of St Stephen; these will be awarded during the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 26th February.

Youth Group - Pre-pancakes Day! We would like to invite you to our monthly Youth Group meeting on Saturday 11th February at 4pm, in the Parish Hall. We will have activities, fun and pancakes! Come along and bring your friends!

Marriage Preparation Course, for those getting married over the next year, will be held in this parish on Saturdays 4th March and 18th March, 2pm-5.30pm. Both sessions need to be attended. Please see Fr Nicholas or Angela.

Pilgrimage 2017 We are hoping to go to Malta between 23rd and 27th October, costing £590 (including half-board and flights with Air Malta to and from Heathrow). Forms are available from Angela. Please return them to her as soon as you can and she will check them and forward them to St Peter's Pilgrimages.

Parish Trip to Ypres Following on from last year's trip to the Somme, we will be going to the beautiful city of Ypres in Belgium, the scene of a bloody battle in 1917, between 30th May and 1st June (half-term). Cost: £295, inc travel (by mini-bus), accommodation and breakfast. Please see Angela if interested.

Flame 2017 is the largest Catholic youth event of the year, taking place at Wembley Arena on Saturday 11th March. 10,000 young Catholics are expected to attend! We will be taking a group of Confirmation candidates but have some spare tickets at £15 each; please let Angela know if you are a young adult (14 and above) and would like to come!

St Mary's School Clothing Collection St Mary's is arranging a collection of unwanted clothing, linens, shoes, bags and belts to raise funds for the school. Collection bags will be soon available at the back of the Church and any black sack can be used as well. Please bring these into school on Monday 20th February or drop them at the church on the weekend of 18th-19th February (but not before, due to lack of storage space).

Mass for Bereaved Parents a Mass will be celebrated for all bereaved parents at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 11th March at 2.30pm. This is the first time the diocesan-wide event has been held. As parents arrive in the Cathedral that day they will be invited to write the name of their deceased child, which will later be collected and taken to the sanctuary. All are welcome.

Annual Mass in Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony takes place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 3rd June. All those celebrating a significant anniversary (10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th and every year over 60!) are invited to attend. If you would like to go along, please give Fr Nicholas the follow details: names, church and date of wedding, full postal address and email—by 10th March.

Westminster Cathedral Choristers and their conductor Martin Baker welcome the Chœur d'enfants of Notre Dame de Paris on Wednesday 22nd February. The choirs will give a joint concert at the Cathedral. Tickets (£15, seating unreserved) are available from the Cathedral Gift Shop, or on www.ticketmaster.co.uk.

Streetlink If you are concerned about a person sleeping rough, please contact Streetlink on 0300 500 0914/www.streetlink.org.uk. This charity can put the person in touch with local services.

Mayor of Hillingdon's Grand Draw Raffle tickets are available at £10 per booklet or £2 per ticket.

Women's Day of Prayer takes place at 2pm on 3rd March at Christ Church. The focus this year is on the Philippines. All are welcome (men and women!).

We are on Instagram! Check us out on @uxbridgecatholic. We can also be followed on Facebook (@Uxbridge Catholic Parish) and Twitter (@UxbridgeCath).

In case you are admitted to hospital please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain.

Sunday Collections:

29th January

Loose Plate £693.73

Planned Giving £403.47

Total £1,097.20

Many thanks!

Point to Ponder: *'Salt is used to preserve and keep. As apostles for the Third Millennium, your task is to preserve and keep alive the awareness of the presence of our Saviour Jesus Christ...Salt seasons and improves the flavour of food.*

Following Jesus, you have to change and improve the "taste" of human history. With your faith, hope and love, with your intelligence, courage and perseverance, you have to humanize the world we live in.' (St John Paul II)

For Your Diary...

11th February Mass for the Sick, 12 noon

4th & 18th March Wedding Preparation, 2pm

19th February Sunday Family Lunch

11th March Flame 2017 (Wembley Arena)

3rd March Women's Day of Prayer, Christ Church, 2pm



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