



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

Our Lady of Lourdes, 12th February 2017

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Parish Diary

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)

Monday 13th February

Feria

9.30am Pauline Heslin & Fr Matthew
(int)

Tuesday 14th February

SS Cyril & Methodius

9.30am Holy Souls

Wednesday 15th February

Feria

9.30am Kathleen McQuaid (3rd Ann)

12.15pm Audrey Skinner (Funeral)

Thursday 16th February

Feria

NO MASS

Friday 17th February

Feria

9.30am Edgar Martins (RIP)

Saturday 18th February

Sat Commemoration of Our Lady

10am Malone family (int)

10.30am-11am Confessions

11.30am Baptism (Alex Vedovelli)

*1.30pm Baptism (Charlotte St Blaize-
Welby)*

6.30pm Michael O'Hara (RIP)

Sunday 19th February

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am David McAndrew (int)

10.30am Pro Populo

12.30pm Sunday Family Lunch

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour

5pm Anne & Hugh Moss (RIP)

This weekend we celebrate our Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (transferred from the Saturday). We especially remember in our prayers the sick and housebound of our parish and those known to us. We invite you to write down their names on the small sheets of paper to be found near the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes and place them in the basket on the altar. Many thanks to all those who helped organize our first 'Mass for the Sick'; it was very well-attended and around 60 people received the Sacrament of the Sick.

Appeal from The Passage This weekend we welcome Andrew Hollingsworth who will be making an appeal on behalf of The Passage. This charity is based on the message of St Vincent de Paul and seeks 'to provide resources which encourage, inspire and challenge homeless people to transform their lives.' Please be generous in the second collection after Masses today. Thank you.

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, 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. May she rest in peace.

Leo Gorman RIP As most of you know, Leo sadly died on 2nd January while away on holiday. His Funeral Mass will be held here on Monday **20th February** at **10am** (replacing the 9.30am Mass that day), followed by committal at Breakspear Crematorium. May he rest in peace.

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 info.

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.

Bible Timeline Part 2 We are planning the second instalment of our popular Bible Timeline course, picking up from where we left off in the autumn. There will probably be sessions on five Sunday evenings in Lent—watch this space for more information!

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 are available from the sacristy, though 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.

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!).

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

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:

5th February

Loose Plate £591.00

Planned Giving £416.32

Total £1,007.32

During the Christmas Season a total of £88.89 was raised in the crib collection, which will go towards the Catholic Children's Society (Westminster).

Many thanks!

Point to Ponder: 'I encourage all of you, the sick, the suffering, physicians, nurses, family members and volunteers, to see in Mary, *Health of the Infirm*, the sure sign of God's love for every human being and a model of surrender to his will. May you always find in faith, nourished by the Word and by the Sacraments, the strength needed to love God, even in the experience of illness.' (*Pope Francis in his Message for the World Day of Prayer for the Sick, 11th February 2017*)

For Your Diary...

19th February Sunday
Family Lunch

4th & 18th March Wedding
Preparation, 2pm

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

11th March Flame 2017
(Wembley Arena)



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