

Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B), 14th January 2018

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Parish Diary

Saturday 13th January

Sat Commemoration of Our Lady 10am Holy Souls 10.30am-11am Confessions 6.30pm Jonquil Beale (b'day int)

Sunday 14th January 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am Pro Populo
10.30am Michael O'Dea (int)
3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction
5pm Maria & Zenon Kostenkiw

Monday 15th January

9.30am Roure Daniot (RIP)

Tuesday 16th January

Feria

9.30am St Anthony (thanksgiving)
4pm-6pm Nursery Applications (hall)

Wednesday 17th January

St Anthony, Abbot

9.30am Patrick Blake (RIP)

Thursday 18th January

Feria NO MASS

Friday 19th January

St Wulstan, Bishop 9.30am Simon & Ethel Onwu (RIP) & family

Saturday 20th January

Sat Commemoration of Our Lady 10am Peter Onwu (thanksgiving) 10.30am-11am Confessions 6.30pm Yan Daquin (RIP) 7.15pm Alpha Prayer Group

Sunday 21st January 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am Audrey Skinner (1st Ann)
9.15am First Communion Class #6 (hall)
10.30am Policarpo Goes (1st Ann)
3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction
5pm Pro Populo

This Sunday we welcome Sharon Westby who will be presenting an appeal at all Masses for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC). The charity is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside of the law. Please give generously in the second collection as we try to promote a culture of life and protect the most vulnerable in our society.

Nursery Applications This Tuesday (and the following Tuesday) Fr Nicholas will be signing Certificates of Catholic Practice for those applying for nursery admission this coming September. In order for a CCP to be signed you need to have been regularly attending this church for at least six months and ideally have a signed Mass Attendance Card for this period. Please bring (if possible) your baptism certificate. Interview slots are still available.

Evening Tour of Diocesan Archive Fr Nicholas also works as Diocesan Archivist and there will be an exclusive opportunity for parishioners to see our historical treasures on the evening of Monday 5th February. The Archive is located at 16 Abingdon Rd, just off Kensington High Street, and constitutes one of the most important collections of documents relating to the English Catholic community stretching back to the sixteenth century and beyond. Please let Fr Nicholas or Angela if you are interested in coming; you can either meet at Uxbridge station at 4.30pm or make your own way to Kensington, meeting outside Our Lady of Victories at 5.45pm. There is no charge beyond the cost of travel into central London.

Mass of Healing for the Sick takes place on Saturday 10th February at 2pm, 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. Tea, coffee and refreshments served in the hall afterwards! This takes the place of our morning Mass.

Marriage Preparation Course takes place on the afternoons of 24th February and 10th March; both sessions must be attended. This is especially intended for parishioners hoping to get married this year. If you would like to get married in the church (and this includes those who are already civilly married but never had a church service) please see Fr Nicholas as soon as possible and no later than six months before your preferred date.

Baptism Preparation for Infants next takes place at 10.45am on Saturday 27th January. Please see Angela for further details.

Altar Linen A new rota to cover January and February is available in the rack near the door to the sacristy. Thank you to those that help with this important task. We are appealing for more volunteers to launder and iron the small cloths used on the altar. Each volunteer would only need to do this once each month starting from March. If you are interested please add your name to the list at the back of the church and we will contact you to let you know what is involved.

Fair Trade Stall can be found at the back of the church, with a wide range of gifts and products available. Why not have a look?

Outing to the West End We have an opportunity to see 42nd Street on Thursday 1st March for £52.50, including a top price ticket in the stalls and coach transport from our church to the theatre. Please see Angela if interested by 28th January.

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, starting on 20th January, at around 7.15pm. All are welcome, even if you did not attend Alpha!

Westminster Year Book 2018 is now available, priced £4.50 each, with full information about the parishes, chaplaincies and other agencies of our diocese, and a liturgical calendar for 2018.

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.

Next Parish Sunday Lunch is on 28th January at 12 noon. Please bring a plate to share; all are welcome.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January is 'that Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom'.

Christmas Collections: Sunday 24th December

Loose Plate £385.47 Planned Giving £361.71

Total: £747.18 Christmas Day

Loose Plate £1,630.45 Planned Giving £794.76

Total: £2,425.21 Sunday 31st December

Loose Plate £550.49 Planned Giving £319.37

Total: £869.86 Sunday 7th January

Loose Plan: £683.05 Planned Giving: £579.96

Total: £1,263.01

Many thanks for these and also for all your kind Christmas presents and cards to Fr Nicholas and Angela!

This Week's Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Bl. Sacrament: Protection of the Unborn

Our Lady: Good Council Network (int)

For Your Diary

Signing of Nursery Forms 16th & 23rd January, 4pm-6pm

Evening Tour of Diocesan Archive Monday 5th February

Mass of Healing for the

Sick Saturday 10th February, 2pm

Marriage Preparation
Course 24th February &
10th March



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