



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B), 18th November 2018

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Parish Diary

Saturday 17th November

Sat Commemoration of BVM

10am John O'Kane (RIP)

10.30am-11am Confessions

1.30pm Baptism (Maya Agbesi)

6.30pm Strojny, Batog, Palka & Sikora families (RIP)

Sunday 18th November

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8.30am Pro Populo

9.15am First Communion Class #2

10.30am Luz Pauig (Ann)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction

5pm Jeanne Freynet (Ann)

6pm Let It Be Done Unto Me #1 (hall)

Monday 19th November Feria

9.30am Holy Souls

Tuesday 20th November

Feria

9.30am Alannah Kitchen (4th Ann)

4pm-6pm Reception Form Interviews

Wednesday 21st November

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin

9am Policarpo Goes

Thursday 22nd November

St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

NO MASS

Friday 23rd November

St Clement I, Pope & Martyr

9.30am Holy Souls

with Years 3 & 4 from St Mary's

Saturday 24th November

St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions

9.30am Brunel Retreat Day (hall)

10am Kathleen Jackson (RIP)

10.30am-11am Confessions

12.30pm Wedding (Lawrence Ali Ame & Zuzanna Namespetrova)

6.30pm Pro Populo

Sunday 25th November

Christ the King

8.30am Milagrina family (int)

9.15am First Communion Class #3

10.30am Leonara Bridgeman (3rd Ann)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction

5pm Adolfo Paolini (RIP)

6pm Let It Be Done Unto Me #2 (hall)

Mass on Wednesday is at the earlier time of **9am** since Fr Nicholas needs to represent the Deanery at the Council of Priests in Westminster.

Let It be Done Unto Me According To Your Word: How Mary helps Us To Be Filled With God. This exciting new course, based on a DVD presented by David Payne from café, will be starting this Sunday at 6pm (after the 5pm Mass) and will run for five weeks. The first session is called 'Chosen By God'. Why not come to know and understand Our Lady better this Advent?

St Mary's Raffle St Mary's parents will once again be selling Christmas raffle tickets after weekend masses. Leading up to the Christmas Fayre on Friday 23rd November, 3.30pm - 5.30pm. Tickets are £1 each, 1st prize is £250 cash, 2nd prize is photo shoot voucher worth 200 and 3rd prize is a TV worth £150, plus luxury hampers. All money raised is going towards the Library Bus.

School Forms/CCPs There will be interviews in the presbytery for Fr Nicholas to sign the Certificate of Catholic Practise (CCP) as follows:

- **Reception, 20th November, 4pm-6pm, & 27th November, 4.30pm-6.30pm. Interview slots are now available on the sheet at the back of the church.**
- Nursery, 23rd January, 4pm-6pm

Fr Nicholas can only sign the CCP if you (at least one parent/guardian and the child) have been regularly attending Mass on Sundays and Holydays for a minimum of 6 months, without long gaps. We ask you to have a Mass Attendance Card as evidence of this. Please remember to complete an application as soon as possible via Hillingdon's website: www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions. If your child was not baptised here, **please bring with you a copy of his/her baptism certificate.**

Faith Sharing Group meets at homes locally every Thursday at 7.30pm. We talk about our Faith normally by using the next Sunday Gospel and Readings as a prompt. All welcome. Please contact Maciek (07553 850304) or Gerard (07752 721549) if you are interested in attending. They will give the venue details.

Parish Trip to the Winchester Christmas Market takes place on Wednesday 28th November, leaving the church by coach at 9.15am and returning at around 6pm. The cost of the trip is £20 per person; please see Angela with your money if you would like to book a place.

New Altar Servers If you are a boy or girl who has made their First Holy Communion and would like to become a server, please see Fr Nicholas or Angela. Training takes the form of several weeks observing ceremonies, under guidance, which we call 'Altar Watch'.

Douay Martyrs School Christmas Lunch for Senior Citizens takes place on Thursday 13th December at 2pm in the school hall. Our parish has been allotted fifteen tickets. Please see Fr Nicholas or Angela by 6th December if you are interested in attending.

Red Mission Boxes and Planned Giving Envelopes Due to GDPR regulations, these will no longer be left at the back of church but can be collected from the sacristy.

Thinking of getting married or having a religious ceremony for an existing civil marriage? Provided you are both free to get married, please see Fr Nicholas at least six months before a proposed date. We are running our marriage preparation course on Saturdays 2nd and 16th February, 2pm-5.30pm. Both partners need to attend the two sessions. See Angela if interested in taking part.

11+, KS1 and KS2 Tuition in Uxbridge **South** with Monika and Mrs Chavez; small groups, two instructors per group. For information contact 07860325605, 07906955071, mandm@gmail.com

Countering Consumerism – Lessons from Gaudete Et Exsultate Have you ever felt a conflict between putting your faith into practice and the demands of leading a busy, modern life? Have you ever thought about what it would mean to live more simply and meditatively? Pope Francis offers some ideas. Join CAFOD for a day of reflection on either **Saturday 24th November in Lambeth** or **Saturday 1st December in Oakwood**. For more info contact Westminster@cafod.org.uk; 0208-449-6970 or visit <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Events/Westminster-Retreat>

‘8 + 12: Memorable Celebrations of Chanukah & Christmas’ A joint talk organised by the Council of Christians and Jews (Hillingdon) at Northwood and Pinner Liberal Synagogue by Fr Nicholas and Rabbi Dr Andrew Goldstein on Tuesday 11th De-

ember at 2.30pm. Entry donation is £3 (or £2 for CCJ Members), including a tea party with quiz, kosher doughnuts and vegetarian mince pies!

Christmas Day Lunch in Harefield If you are alone this Christmas and unable to travel, St Mary’s church hall are hosting a Christmas Lunch on 25th December, 1pm-4pm. This is free and transport can be available: to book please phone 01895 825960 or email office@stmarys-harefield.org.uk

Charity Christmas Card Shop is open at the Oasis Coffee Bar, St Margaret’s, Windsor Street, Uxbridge Monday-Saturday 10am-2pm. Why not have a look?

Christmas Celebration at Westminster Cathedral will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th December featuring the Westminster Cathedral Choir. The evening includes music, celebrity readings and a reflection. Cost: from £10 to £50. For tickets, visit the Cathedral Gift Shop or www.ticketmaster.co.uk.

‘Romero- Heartbeat of El Salvador’ DVD has just been released by RISE theatre, featuring a recording of their original professional stage production, which toured the UK in 2017-18. Produced in association with the Archbishop Romero Trust, it’s a moving presentation of Saint Oscar Romero’s life and martyrdom. DVDs are available to buy at www.risetheatre.co.uk/shop.

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.

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).

Pope's Prayer Intention for November: ‘that the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.’

Sunday Collections:
Sunday 11th November
Loose Plan: £616.37
Planned Giving: £388.90
Total: £1,005.27

A further £447.61 was raised for the Sick & Retired Priests Fund
Many thanks!

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions
Sanctuary: Ryan Slevin (int)
Lady Altar: Holy Souls

Point to Ponder: ‘Our final goal is the encounter with the Risen Lord... We do not await a time or a place, but we are going to encounter a person: Jesus. Thus the problem is not “when” these premonitory signs of the last days will occur, but rather our being prepared. Neither is it about knowing “how” these things will happen, but instead “how” we have to act today, in awaiting these things. We are called to live the present, building our future with serenity and trust in God.’ (Pope Francis)

For Your Diary

Day Trip to Winchester
Christmas Market Wednesday 28th November

Infant Baptism Preparation
Class Saturday 1st December, 11am

Marriage Preparation
Course 2nd and 16th February, 2pm-5.30pm



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