



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 19th February 2017

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Parish Diary

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)

Monday 20th February

Feria

10am Leo Gorman (Funeral Mass)

6pm FHC Catch-Up (presbytery)

Tuesday 21st February

Feria

9.30am Bernie Moylan (RIP)

7pm Confirmation Course (hall)

Wednesday 22nd February

Chair of St Peter the Apostle

9.30am Eileen McHugh (int)

Thursday 23rd February

St Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

NO MASS

Friday 24th February

Feria

9.30am Jane Grunnil (RIP)

Saturday 25th February

Sat Commemoration of Our Lady

10am Seamus Lyons (RIP)

10.30am-11am Confessions

11.30am Baptism (Venice Daphne Zuze)

4.15pm Baptism (James Doherty)

6.30pm Leo Gorman (RIP)

Sunday 26th February

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am Nora Fitzgerald (RIP)

9.15am First Communion Class (hall)

10.30am Clare Schofield (1st Ann)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour

5pm Terence McShane (RIP)

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.

Sunday Family Lunch takes place in the hall today (Sunday), from about 12.30pm. All are welcome; please bring food and drink to share!

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. These can be brought to the church **this weekend only** in the special bags (or any black sack). They can also be brought into school on Monday (20th February).

Ash Wednesday Don't forget that Lent starts on 1st March (a week on Wednesday) and there will be Masses here at 9.30am and 7pm.

Fairtrade Celebration Sunday To celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight (27th February-12th March) we will be serving Fairtrade teas, coffees and biscuits after all Masses on Sunday 5th March. There will also be a Traidcraft stall and lots of information about Fairtrade. All Welcome. Please let Angela/Maria Kirby (07834972644) know if you would like to help serving teas etc.

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. These will take place 4-6pm on 21st and 28th March. 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.

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

First Holy Communion Course continues next Sunday morning at 9.15am.

Confirmation Course continues this Tuesday at 7pm.

Bible Timeline Course resumes Sunday 5th March for five weeks from 6pm to 7.30pm in the Church Hall. We will be covering more of the Old Testament, especially Judges, Joshua, 1/2 Samuel, 1 Kings. Do come along even if you missed last season. Each session stands alone.

Collectors at Masses We are always extremely grateful to parishioners who take the collection at Sunday Masses. From now on, however, we ask that the basket is taken directly to the sacristy (Fr Nicholas or Angela can show you the designated place). Please access the sacristy via the side aisle. Thank you!

After Sunday Mass If you are sitting on the left hand of the church, please let the servers pass and reach the sacristy before leaving the church. Thank you!

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!

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 following details: names, church and date of wedding, full postal address and email—by 10th March.

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.

Postal Quiz for Charity David Guest from Brunel University is running a postal quiz to raise money for Childreach International. Test your general knowledge with a cryptic quiz, minimum donation £2 to Childreach International. If interested please contact David - davidguest25@hotmail.co.uk.

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.

Hillingdon Love Your Clothes Repair Workshop This free sewing workshop will take place in our parish hall on 13th March, 6pm-9pm. If you wish to attend, please register at <http://westlondonwaste.eventbrite.co.uk>

or see Angela.

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.

Pope's Prayer Intention for February: Comfort for the Afflicted: That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities

Sunday Collections:

12th February

Loose Plate £660.79

Planned Giving £310.37

Total £971.06

A further—and very impressive—£750.63 was raised for The Pas-sage in the second collection.

Many thanks!

Point to Ponder: 'Holiness, the fullness of Christian life, does not consist in carrying out extraordinary enterprises but in being united with Christ, in living his mysteries, in making our own his example, his thoughts, his behaviour. The measure of holiness stems from the stature that Christ achieves in us, in as much as with the power of the Holy Spirit, we model our whole life on his. It is being conformed to Jesus, as St Paul says: "For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son" (Rom 8:29). And St Augustine exclaimed: "my life shall be a real life, being wholly filled by

For Your Diary...

19th February Sunday
Family Lunch

11th March Flame 2017
(Wembley Arena)

3rd March Women's Day of Prayer, Christ Church, 2pm
Sundays of Lent Bible Timeline



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