



# Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B), 21st January 2018

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## Parish Diary

### 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

### Monday 22nd January

Feria  
9.30am Victor (RIP)

### Tuesday 23rd January

Feria  
9.30am Pauline Heslin (int)  
4pm-6pm Nursery Forms

### Wednesday 24th January

St Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor  
9.30am Holy Souls

### Thursday 25th January

Conversion of St Paul the Apostle  
NO MASS

### Friday 26th January

SS Timothy & Titus, Bishops  
9.30am Keith D'Souza (int)

### Saturday 27th January

Sat Commemoration of Our Lady  
10am Policarpo Goes (65th b'day RIP)  
10.30am-11am Confessions  
10.45am-11.45am Baptism Preparation  
6.30pm John Brendon O'Sullivan (RIP)

### Sunday 28th January

#### 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am C. M. Kunjuvareed Thresiakutty (RIP)  
10.30am Brenda Cronin (RIP)  
12 noon Sunday Parish Lunch  
3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction  
5pm Pro Populo

**Next Sunday** Tony Corish, Head of Douay Martyrs, will be speaking at the morning Masses about our local Catholic secondary and will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

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

**Nursery Applications** This Tuesday there is a last chance for Fr Nicholas to sign 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.

**Mass of Healing for the Sick** takes place on Saturday 10th February at 12 noon (not 2pm as previously advertised), 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. We are looking for

- Donations of cake and/or savoury snacks on the day
- Volunteer drivers to collect and drop home those who need transport
- Welcomers to help seat our guests for the Mass
- Helpers to serve tea/coffee, etc in the hall

Please see Angela if you are willing to help.

**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.

**Women's World Day of Prayer** On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 2pm we will be hosting the Women's World Day of Prayer in our church. This takes place each year, at a rotating location, and the theme for 2018 is 'All God's Creation is Very Good!' The focus this year is on the women of Suriname in South America, who have prepared the service. All are welcome to attend – men and women – and if you would like to help as a reader please speak to Angela.

**Calling all Brunel students!** Brunel Catholic Society is meeting this Wednesday at 5.30pm at the Meeting House. We will be thinking about who Jesus is and how we can pray! Please contact us via our chaplain Sr. Mary: [mary.kenefick@brunel.ac.uk](mailto:mary.kenefick@brunel.ac.uk) or on our Facebook group - Brunel Catholic Society. Mass will be celebrated on campus, Wednesday 24th January at 1pm in the Meeting House.

**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.

**Parking** Please remember not to block either of the white gates leading into the BT exchange opposite the church since 24 hour access is needed. Also, when parking in front of the presbytery during Mass please use the space as efficiently as possible and allow room for other cars! Thanks.

**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.

**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).

### **Keeping our Church Clean**

Please keep our church clean especially by taking litter home with you and making sure that no food is consumed in church. It is our shared sacred space and a home from home so let us treat it with respect. As they say, cleanliness is next to godliness!

**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.

**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'.

### **Sunday Collection: Sunday 14th January**

Loose Plan: £534.97  
Planned Giving: £305.71

### **Total: £840.68**

A further **£356.69** was raised as a result of the White Flower Appeal for SPUC. Thank you.

### **This Week's Sanctuary Lamp Intentions**

Bl. Sacrament: Reg Wells (RIP)  
Our Lady: St Anthony (tx)

### **For Your Diary**

**Signing of Nursery Forms**  
23rd January, 4pm-6pm

**Evening Tour of Diocesan Archive** Monday 5th February

**Mass of Healing for the Sick** Saturday 10th February,  
12 noon

**Marriage Preparation Course** 24th February &  
10th March



### **Parish Priest**

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