



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 24th September 2017

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Parish Diary

Saturday 23rd September

St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)
8am Reception & Viewing of Raquel
Attipoe (RIP)

9am Raquel Attipoe (Funeral)

NO 10am Mass

5.45pm-6.15pm Confessions

6.30pm Pro Populo

Sunday 24th September

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am Patrick O'Connor (RIP)

10.30am Danilo Pauig (4th Ann)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction

5pm Michael & Norrie Golden (RIP)

Monday 25th September

Feria

9.30am Michael O'Brien (RIP)

Tuesday 26th September

Feria

9.30am St Anthony (thanksgiving)

11.30am Baptism (Victoria Clark)

7pm **First Communion Parents Meeting**

Wednesday 27th September

St Vincent de Paul

9.30am Josie Keogh (RIP)

Thursday 28th September

Feria

NO MASS

Friday 29th September

SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

9.30am Michael & Mary O'Shea

(55th Wedding Ann)

Saturday 30th September

St Jerome, Priest & Doctor

10am Philip French (4th Ann)

10.30am-11am Confessions

11.30am Baptism (Mary del Palomo)

1.30pm Baptism (William Duhig)

6.30pm Michael & Norrie Golden (RIP)

Sunday 1st October

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8.30am Pro Populo

10.30am Brunel Students (int)

3.45pm-4.45pm Holy Hour/Benediction

5pm Kathleen O'Leary (RIP)

Next Sunday there will be an appeal at all Masses in preparation for the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day on Friday 6th October. The collection for this will be taken on the weekend of 7th-8th October. The 10.30am Mass next week will be the '**Fresher's Mass**' for Brunel University and the students will be providing us with teas and coffees afterwards.

Joyce Wright (RIP) We were very sorry to hear of Joyce's death on 14th September, aged 96. She was a well-known figure in the parish, until a few years ago helping with the flower arranging, and attending the 10.30am Mass whenever she could. Her husband, George, died in 2012, and we offer our condolences to their children Lesley, Christopher and Andrew, and all the family. Her funeral will be celebrated here on Friday **6th October at 1pm**.

Angela, our Pastoral Assistant, has been called for jury service which we are expecting to last until mid-October. This will, of course, have implications for some of our activities and the day-to-day working of the parish office. If you need to contact us please use the general email (uxbridge@rcdow.org.uk) rather than Angela's email, which she will have only limited access to. Many thanks for your patience!

First Holy Communion Applications Forms are due back this weekend, along with copies of the baptismal certificate. No applications can be accepted after today! The course is open to children who in Year Three or above who either live within the parish boundaries or who live in another parish but regularly attend Mass in Uxbridge and have the written permission of their (geographical) parish priest. The first of the three sessions for parents will be on **Tuesday 26th September at 7pm**.

Confirmation Course for young adults (Years 9 and above) runs every other year; the next applications will be invited in autumn 2018.

Alpha Course One of the main parish initiatives this autumn will be the Alpha Course (in a Catholic context), allowing us to 'go back to basics', ponder the meaning of life and re-evaluate our relationship with the Lord. It will run every Monday 7pm-9pm starting from **2nd October** till 11th December. Sessions will begin with a simple meal and everyone is welcome! There will also be the opportunity to go on a retreat weekend in the Bridgettine Convent at Iver Heath on 10th-12th November. Information and registration forms available in the Church or please contact Maciek Zagwojski on 07553850304 or m.zagwojski@gmail.com

RCIA (Roman Catholic Initiation of Adults) Application forms are now available for adults living in the parish who are considering baptism or (if they belong to another Christian denomination) reception into the Catholic Church. Please speak to Angela or Fr Nicholas if you are interested. The course will begin with the Alpha Course (see above) and then continuing in the new year with sessions looking at the sacraments and how to live as a Christian.

Calling all Brunel students! Brunel Catholic Society is meeting this Wednesday at 5.30 in the Meeting House. Come along and learn about the Catholic faith and have fun!

Secondary School Applications
On Tuesday 3rd October between 4pm and 7pm Fr Nicholas will be available to sign CCP/Priest's References for Secondary School applications. The sheets with slots are now at the back of the church—so please put down your child's name and details if you would like to have a form signed.

Bible Timeline our popular course exploring the Old Testament will begin again from Sunday 12th November at 6pm. More details to follow...

Franciscan Friars of the Renewal are looking for tinned tomatoes and baked beans, instant coffee, toilet rolls, kitchen towels, dark trousers, dark socks, dark jeans and dark T-shirts for homeless men. It would be helpful if clothing could be put in separate bags (e.g. socks together, trousers together, etc). Please hand in any donations to the sacristy.

The O'Brien Family would like to thank parishioners for their condolences, prayers and Masses following the death of Michael. Mass will be offered for their intentions at 9.30am on 8th November.

Day with Mary takes place in our church on Saturday 21st October, 9.30am-5pm. Posters available at the back with more information.

Free Repair and Restyle Workshop offering tips and practical advice on how to extend the life of your clothes takes place in our parish hall on 22nd November, 6pm-9pm. To book tickets search on www.billetto.co.uk for 'Love your clothes'

Charity Concert Our church will be hosting a Charity Concert '**We Remember Them**' on Friday 13th October at 7.30pm. We are delighted that our very own Josee Sulyma will be performing as soprano soloist and we will also be welcoming the Northwood HQ Volunteer Band. The repertoire will range from Mozart to songs from the world wars. All proceeds will go to the British Legion. Tickets are priced £10, including a drink, and are **now available** from Fr Nicholas/Angela.

Room to Let with independent facilities in a shared house in Uxbridge. Would suit female mature student or professional. If interested please contact Angela at the church for details.

Youth Group next meets on 7th October at 4pm in the presbytery. Why not come along?

Catholic History Walks: (1) *For King and Country!* Tuesday 26th September at 6.30pm. Catholics and politics, St Thomas More, Guy Fawkes, Pugin, Parliament and the Abbey. Meet on the steps of Westminster Cathedral. (2) *The King's Good Servant.* Thursday 5th October at 2pm. The story of St Thomas More, walking around his Chelsea Estate. Meet at the Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer and St Thomas More, Cheyne Row, Chelsea. (Nearest Tube: Gloucester Road or South Kensington.)

New Mass Attendance Cards are now available. Please consider using one of these if your child is eighteen months or above and you wish to apply to a Catholic school over the next year or so.

Pope's Prayer Intention for September is for parishes at the service of the mission, 'that they not be simple offices, but that animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.'

We are on Instagram! Check us out on @uxbridgecatholic. We can also be followed on Facebook (@UxbridgeCatholicParish) 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. Alternatively contact Fr Nicholas or Angela.

Summer Collections:
Sunday 17th September
Loose Plate £690.38
Planned Giving £303.25
Total £993.63
Many thanks!

For Your Diary...

First Communion Parents Meeting Tuesday 26th September, 7pm

Parish Alpha Course starts on 2nd October, 6.30pm

International Mass Sunday 15th October, 10.30am

Day with Mary Saturday 21st October, 9.30am-5pm



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