



# Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C), 5th October 2025

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## Parish Diary

### Saturday 4th October

St Francis of Assisi

**10am** Peter Onwu (tx)

*10.30am-11am Adoration/Confessions*

*11.30am Baptism (Arabella Carter)*

*2.30am Mass for Altar Servers at Westminster Cathedral*

5pm Mary De Silva (RIP)

### Sunday 5th October

#### 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Victims of Violence

**9.30am** Margaret Murphy (17th Ann)

**11am** Leo William Towse (Ann)

*12 noon Senior's Lunch*

*12.30pm Pet Blessing*

### Monday 6th October

St Bruno

**9am** Our Lady of Lourdes (tx)

### Tuesday 7th October

Our Lady of the Rosary

**9.30am** Kim & Rachael (wedding ann)

*6pm Ignatian Prayer (Zoom)*

### Wednesday 8th October Feria

**8.30am** Pat Barry (RIP)

### Thurs 9th October

St John Henry Newman

NO MASS

### Friday 10th October Feria

**6pm** Holy Souls

*6.45pm Parish Rosary (YouTube)*

### Saturday 11th October Our Lady

**10am** Isabel Ernest (b'day RIP)

*10.30am-11am Adoration/Confessions*

*3.30pm First Holy Communion #1 (hall)*

5pm Anne Toher (RIP)

### Sunday 12th October

#### 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am Our Lady of Lourdes (tx)

**9.30am** Holy Souls

**11am** Pro Populo

*Services in **bold** are livestreamed on the 'Uxbridge Parish' YouTube channel.*

*The Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Joe Martins, int (Blessed Sacrament) & Ossie D'Souza, int (Our Lady)*

**Pet Blessing** takes place this Sunday (5th) at 12.30pm.

Weather permitting, please gather with your pets outside the church—live animals welcome as well as photos of them, if they prefer not to come out. We do this each year on the Sunday closest to the feast of St Francis of Assisi.

**Lunch for Seniors** takes place in our hall this Sunday (5th) at 12noon, together with our book swap. Why not join us for a bowl of soup and good company?

**Mass on Wednesday** will be at the earlier time of 8.30am, since Fr Nicholas needs to attend a Council of Deans meeting at Archbishop's House.

**Altar Servers** This Saturday (4th) some of our servers will be attending the annual Mass for servers at Westminster Cathedral at 2.30pm. We meet at 12 noon at Uxbridge station; please bring your server's outfit and medal. We thank them for their service.

**First Holy Communion Course** Please note that the parent's session on Monday 6th October has been cancelled, since we were able to cover the topics last week. The first session for children takes place in the hall next Saturday (11th October) at 3.30pm. Doors open at 3.15pm and are locked at 3.40pm; please be punctual.

**Holiday Family Film Night** takes place on Saturday 25th October, 4pm-6pm in the parish hall. We will be aiming to show a film each school holiday, starting with (this time) *Ratatouille*. Parents are to remain and enjoy the film with their children. Any queries, please contact Rosey on 07557667121.

**Holy Souls Lists** and envelopes for donations for Masses through the year are now available at the back of the church, as we approach the month of November.

**Fairtrade Fortnight** concludes this weekend. We are a Fairtrade parish and we are all encouraged to 'Do it Fair.' Why not use Fairtrade tea, coffee and sugar products at home?

**Westminster Education Department** are offering paid internships to help discern a vocation to teaching in Catholic schools. This is open to Catholic undergraduates in their second year and involves working in a school for 3 weeks. Applications close on 30th November.—<https://forms.office.com/e/8JHjSKziyV>

**Priest References for Schools** Reception Forms will be signed 1st and 2nd December, 4pm-6pm, and Nursery Forms on 15th December, 3.30pm-6pm. Please watch this space and make sure you have a copy to your child's baptism certificate.

**Parish WhatsApp Group**

To join, please send your number to 07949717769.

**Uxbridge Local History Society** next meets at Christ Church, Redford Way, on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. Annual membership is only £10 (giving you two magazines and free entry to talks); guests are welcome at £3 each. The next on 21st October is by one of our parishioners, Chris Hogan, on 'The Number 9: Trams, Trolleybuses and Omnibuses in Uxbridge.' Please come along!

**Conference: 'Barriers to Resolving Grief'** organised by Bereavement Care UK on Wednesday 29th October, 10am-3.30pm at St Edward's church, Northwood Hills. Full details at [www.bereavementcare-support.co.uk](http://www.bereavementcare-support.co.uk)

**Torchlit Procession in honour of Our Lady of Willesden** takes place on Sunday 12th October at 7pm, led by Bp James Curry. The Shrine is located at 1 Nicoll Rd, Harlesden NW10 9AX—all welcome.

**Are you a student** at one of the London universities? Our Catholic Chaplaincy is based at Newman House, 111 Gower Street, WC1E 6AR. We have Sunday Masses and regular events, alongside campus-based Catholic societies: [www.universitycatholic.net](http://www.universitycatholic.net) or @newmanhoucelondon. Brunel has a new RC chaplain, Paula, who we keep in our prayers.

**Exhibition:** 'Defiant Love in Times of War - Holiness under the Third Reich.' To mark the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War an art exhibition will be on display at Farm Street Church throughout the month of October, sharing powerful stories of unknown heroes, daring to choose love amid the hatred of the Third Reich. Find out more here: <https://rubenferreiraart.com/2025-london-exhibition>

**Point to Ponder:** 'This is the heart of the mission of the Church: not to administer power over others, but to communicate the joy of those who are loved precisely when they did not deserve it. It is the strength that gave rise to the Christian communities and made them grow: men and women who discovered the beauty of returning to life to be able to give it to others. Dear brothers and sisters, we too are sent. The Lord shows us his wounds and says: *Peace be with you.* Do not be afraid to show your wounds healed by mercy. Do not be afraid to draw close to those who are trapped in fear or guilt. May the breath of the Spirit make us, too, witnesses of this peace and this love that is stronger than any defeat.' (Pope Leo)

**Most services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel (Uxbridge Parish). If you sit in the front or come up for Communion, you may appear: please let us know if you have concerns.**

**Dates for the Diary**

**Baptism Preparation Sessions** 25th October, 22nd November, 2.30pm

**Pet Blessing**, 5th October, 12.30pm

**Blessing of Graves** 16th November (2pm, Uxbridge & Hillingdon Cemetery; 3pm, West Drayton Cemetery)

**Jubilee Year 2025**



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