

Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

7th Sunday of Easter (C), 29th May 2022

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Parish Diary

Saturday 28th May

Easter Feria

10am Paul Doherty (RIP)

10.30am-11am Adoration/Confessions 2.30pm Baptism Preparation (Zoom)

5pm Bridget Lee (RIP)

Sunday 29th May 7th Sunday of Easter

8am Holy Souls

9.30am Phil McGrath (5th Ann)

11am Susanna Larrive (2nd Ann)

Monday 30th May

Easter Feria

9am Peter Pattison (RIP)

Tuesday 31st May

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin

9.30am Francine Beale (b'day int)

12 noon Wedding (Parnali Bhide & Anto nio D'Silva)

5.30pm Parish Rosary (YouTube)

6pm Ignatian Prayer Group (Zoom)

Wednesday 1st June

St Justin, Martyr

9.30am James Lee (Ann)

Thursday 2nd June

Easter Feria

BANK HOLIDAY—NO MASS

Friday 3rd June

Easter Feria

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Saturday 4th June

Easter Feria

10am Kathleen English (RIP)

10.30am-11am Adoration/Confessions

5pm Jim Kelly (int)

Sunday 5th June Pentecost Sunday

8am Donie Courtney (RIP)

9.30am Private int

11am H.M.The Queen (tx)

Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Anto nio & Anna Fernandes, RIP (Bl Sacrament) & Celia, int (Our Lady).

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

Sunday Readings: Acts 7: 55-60; Apocalypse 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17: 20-26. Response: The Lord is King, most high above all the earth.

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The Queen's Platinum Jubilee This week we have an opportunity to give thanks for the Queen's long service. A Jubilee Beacon will be lit at the Civic Centre on the evening of Thursday 2nd June. Our 11am Mass on Sunday 5th June will be offered for the Queen's intention. That same day there will be a Jubilee Picnic at Fassnidge Park, 2pm-4pm (with live music), and a Civic Service at St Margaret's at 3pm, followed by refreshments and crafts for children, to which all are welcome. There are lots of events also at our local library and elsewhere—do have a look! Please note there are no Masses on Thursday and Friday.

Ignatian Prayer Group meets for 45 minutes on Tuesdays via Zoom at 6pm. Please email for a link if you wish to join.

COVID Restrictions have eased in many places. Many people still wear masks in church for their own comfort and safety. We ask that, if you feel unwell or have symptoms such as a cough, you stay at home. We will continue to sanitise hands on arrival/exit and clean the church after each service. Please follow the instructions for the Communion procession. Holy Communion is distributed, for hygienic reasons, on the hand.

Tapas and Wine Tasting Evening will take place in the church hall on **Saturday 18th June** at **7.30pm**. Tickets are £20 each and any profit will go to the church windows replacement fund. To secure a place, please give in your name and money as soon as possible.

Home Visit Team If you know of a sick or housebound Catholic who lives in our parish and would appreciate visits with Holy Communion, then please let us know. We are also always looking for volunteers who would like to join our team of visitors—please contact us!

Children's Liturgy takes a break for half-term this weekend and next.

Most of our services are livestreamed on our YouTube channel (Uxbridge Parish). If you sit in the front two pews by the Sacred Heart or come up for Communion, you may appear on it: please let us know if you have any questions.

Parish Rosary This week our online rosary will be on Tuesday 31st May at 5.30pm—around the time that Pope Francis is reciting the rosary before the statue of Our Lady of Peace in Rome. He invites us to join him.

Parish WhatsApp Group. To join, please send your number to 07949717769.

Ukraine Appeal As we continue to pray for peace in Ukraine, many charities are making appeals for Ukraine, including Aid to the Church in Need (www.acnuk.org), CAFOD (www.cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal), and Caritas (www.caritas/org/ukraine-appeal-22).

'Homes For Ukraine'

Would you consider hosting a refugee family for six months or more? The government has FAQs: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/homes-for-ukraine-scheme-frequently-asked-questions. The Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) have been supporting people to host refugees for many years: https://www.jrsuk.net/ukrainian-refugee-hosting-faqs/

Mass Attendance Cards If your child needs a priest's reference (CCP) for a school (Nursery, Reception or Year 7 application) later this year, please make sure you are engaging regularly in the life of the parish over the space of a year. We now expect families to be physically attending Mass, unless there are exceptional reasons, and Fr Nicholas or Angela are now resuming signing cards at the end of weekend Masses.

Looking Ahead First Communion applications for 2023 will be available for children in Year 3 and above during August/beginning of September, with enrolment appointments 16th-18th September. Young adults in Year 9 or above should look out for Confirmation application forms in September. In the meantime, anyone interested in these courses should make sure they have a copy of their child's baptism certificate, which will be needed in the autumn.

Foodbank—Help Needed!

We support various individuals on low income and always need breakfast cereals, pasta, rice, canned meals, tinned veg, coffee, sugar.

Please bring them to the church or presbytery. Thanks.

Family Retreats Organised for families by families and held at the SPEC Centre in Pinner. The retreat is structured around times of teaching and personal prayer for parents, while children participate in a school of prayer specially tailored to their age. Cost £295 per couple with extra £20/£40 per child to cover accommodation, meals, etc. The next one takes place 10th-12th June; full details at www.pulseretreats.com

Prayer for the Queen

Almighty God, we pray, that your servant Elizabeth, our Queen, who, by your providence has received the governance of this realm, may continue to grow in every virtue, that, imbued with your heavenly grace, she may be preserved from all that is harmful and evil and, being blessed with your favour may, with the royal family, come at last into your presence, through Christ, who is the way, the truth and the life and who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

Dates for the Diary

Infant Baptism Preparation, 28th May, 2.30pm; 16th July, 2.30pm Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2nd-5th June
Wine Testing & Tenes Evening

Wine Tasting & Tapas Evening, 18th June, 7.30pm

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