



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

3rd Sunday of Easter (C), 1st May 2022

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Parish Diary

Saturday 30th April

St Pius V

10am First Communion Mass

NO CONFESSIONS

2pm First Communion Mass

5pm John, Alice & Miroslav Pekala (RIP)

Sunday 1st May

3rd Sunday of Easter

8am Natasha Tahmasebi (tx)

9.30am Private intention

11am Bernie Cronin (RIP)

Monday 2nd May

St Athanasius, Doctor

9am Our Lady of Lourdes (tx)

Tuesday 3rd May

SS Philip & James, Apostles

9.30am Holy Souls

6pm *Ignatian Prayer Group (Zoom)*

Wednesday 4th May

The English Martyrs

9.30am Adele Hyland (int)

Thursday 5th May

Easter Feria

NO MASS

Friday 6th May

Easter Feria

12 noon Margaret Mary Kane (Funeral)

6pm Ann & Pat Higgins (2nd Ann)

7pm *Parish Rosary (YouTube)*

Saturday 7th May

Easter Feria

10am First Communion Mass

NO CONFESSIONS

2pm First Communion Mass

5pm Stanley D'Sousa (b'day int)

Sunday 8th May

4th Sunday of Easter

8am Nicholas Windsor (RIP)

9.30am Mildred Rosal (b'day int)

11am Fatima & family (int)

Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Betty Martins, tx (Bl Sacrament) & Joseph Flynn, RIP (Our Lady).

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

Sunday Readings: Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41; Apocalypse 5: 11-14; John 21: 1-14. Response: I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

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Congratulations to John Penty who was presented with a papal award at last Sunday's 11am Mass, the Benemerenti Medal—it was a surprise so we couldn't advertise it in advance! We thank him for over 30 years service to the parish choir, as well as work for Churches Together in Uxbridge and the Chaplaincy at Heathrow Airport. Bill Michell recently took over as choir director at the 11am Mass and John will continue to be involved!

Mattie Maher RIP We have been saddened by the sudden death of Mattie, known to so many of us, on 23rd April. He was a popular parishioner and well respected in the building trade and London GAA. At the time of his passing, was refereeing a county match in Watford. We send our sympathy and support to Denise and the children, Keira and Matthew. May he rest in peace.

Margaret Mary Kane RIP, late of Nine Elms Avenue, Cowley, died on 1st April, aged 79. Her Funeral will be held at our church this Friday (6th May) at 12 noon, followed by a service at Chilterns Crematorium at 1.45pm. We send our sympathy to Pauline and Sue and all the family. May she rest in peace.

First Holy Communion Celebrations take place on Saturdays 30th April and 7th May at 10am and 2pm. As a result, there is no Saturday morning parish Mass and no confessions on those days.

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

Friday Parish Rosary meets at 7pm on YouTube.

COVID Restrictions have eased in many places. People are encouraged to 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.

Foodbank—Help Needed!

We support various individuals on low income and urgently need the following for our depleted stocks: breakfast cereals, pasta, rice, canned meals, tinned veg, coffee, sugar. Please bring them to the church or presbytery. Thank you!

Ukraine Appeal As we continue to pray for peace in Ukraine, **we are still collecting medicines, new duvets and pillows (still in packaging), women's sanitary products, toiletries, baby nappies, wipes, head torches, hard hats and children's stationary. No clothes or toys!** These can be dropped off at our presbytery. 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). Thank you!

Westminster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes plans to take place from **22nd to 29th July 2022**. Forms are available at the back of the church.

Dates for the Diary

Infant Baptism Preparation, 28th May, 2.30pm

Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2nd-5th June

'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/> Caritas Westminster can provide training on hosting – so get in touch with your local Caritas Development Worker, <https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/our-development-team.php>

New 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 expect families to be physically attending church, unless there are exceptional reasons. Your week-by-week practice can be written on a Church Attendance Card.

Rochester Pilgrimage

Thank you to our 85 pilgrims for making last Saturday's trip such a success—we had a great time touring the ancient cathedral, visiting the town's castle and museum, and enjoying its cafes and shops (especially charity shops and bookshops!). We'll do another parish trip soon.

Parish WhatsApp Group. If you have not joined, please send your number to 07949717769.

Next Sunday there will be a separate collection for the Westminster Priest Training Fund; donations can also be made online www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

This Week's Diary includes a funeral, and preparations for the final day of First Holy Communion celebrations. Fr Nicholas is preparing to examine the students of his course at the seminary.

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.

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