



Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

4th Sunday of Easter (C), 8th May 2022

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Parish Diary

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)

Monday 9th May Easter Feria

9am O'Sullivan family (Ann)

Tuesday 10th May Easter Feria

9.30am Mattie Maher (RIP)

4.30pm Baptism (Mia Rawlins)

6pm *Ignatian Prayer Group (Zoom)*

Wednesday 11th May Easter Feria

9.30am Jimmy Mongan (RIP)

Thursday 12th May

St Pancras, Martyr

NO MASS

Friday 13th May

Easter Feria

6pm Eddie Beale (8th Ann)

7pm *Parish Rosary (YouTube)*

Saturday 14th May

St Matthias, Apostle

10am Rob Sapsed (1st Ann)

10.30am-11am *Adoration/Confessions*

11.30am *Baptism (Charlie Lyddon)*

1.30pm *Baptism (Violet Longman)*

3pm *Baptism (Lucas Kennedy)*

5pm John, Alice & Mirosław Pekala (RIP)

Sunday 15th May

5th Sunday of Easter

8am Bruno Baptista (RIP)

9.30am Keane D'Sousa (int)

11am Thomas Vaz (7th Ann)

Sanctuary Lamps burn this week for Amanda Martins, int (Bl Sacrament) & Antonio & Anna Fernandes, RIP (Our Lady).

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

Sunday Readings: Acts 13: 14, 43-52; Apocalypse 7: 9, 14-17; John 10: 27-30. Response: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

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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. We will advertise funeral arrangements as soon as they are known. May he rest in peace.

Synod Response Thank you once again for your responses to the forthcoming Synod. The Diocesan Report, summarising the feedback from all our parishes and communities and incorporating the main points that we raised, can be found at: <https://rcdow.org.uk/synod/westminster-diocese-bishops-synod-report/> Some of the issues raised are, of course, matters for the Universal Church but there are plenty of ideas that we can pick up on the parish level. Watch this space for developments and let us know if you have any ideas.

This Sunday there will be a separate collection for the Westminster Priest Training Fund to support the formation of seminarians at Allen Hall and elsewhere; donations can also be made online www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

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.

This Week's Diary includes a Deanery meeting (chaired by Fr Nicholas), several baptisms, and a house blessing. Fr Nicholas is preparing to examine the students of his course at the seminary.

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.

'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 the recent 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.

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.

Dates for the Diary

Infant Baptism Preparation, 28th May, 2.30pm

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

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