



# Our Lady of Lourdes and Saint Michael, Uxbridge

3rd Sunday of Lent (C), 23rd March 2025

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## Parish Diary

**Saturday 22nd March** Lent Feria

**10am** Con O'Brien (10th Ann)

*10.30am-11am Confessions/Adoration*

*11.30am Baptism (Lara Hasaj)*

*12 noon RCIA class (church)*

*1.30pm Baptisms (Nana & Adwoa)*

*3.30pm First Communion class #8 (hall)*

**5pm** Antonio Silveira (RIP)

**6.30pm** *Living Passion (church)*

**Sunday 23rd March**

**3rd Sunday of Lent**

**8am** Freddie Lumaj (20th Ann), Shaqe & Nicolas Lumaj (RIP)

**9.30am** Maria Fernandes (int)

**11am** D'Souza & Raimundo families (RIP)

**Monday 24th March** Lent Feria

**9am** Mary Lee (Ann)

**Tuesday 25th March**

**Annunciation of the Lord**

**9.30am** Phil Wilson (5th Ann)

*6pm Ignatian Prayer (Zoom)*

**Wednesday 26th March** Lent Feria

**8.30am** Maureen Feegrade (int)

**Thursday 27th March** Lent Feria

**NO MASS**

**Friday 28th March** Lent Feria

*1pm Wedding (Karen Barbosa & Michael Green)*

**6pm** Donald Reike (RIP)

*6.25pm Stations of the Cross*

*7pm Parish Rosary (YouTube)*

**Saturday 29th March** Lent Feria

**NO 10AM MASS/CONFESSIONS**

**Lenten Day of Recollection at Field Heath House School (9.30am-3pm)**

*2.30pm Confirmation Class #4 (hall)*

**5pm** John Cleary (12th Ann)

**Sunday 30th March**

**4th Sunday of Lent (Mother's Day)**

**8am** Josie Bate (int)

**9.30am** Johnny & Bhanusha (int)

**11am** Holy Souls

*followed by book exchange & senior's lunch*

**Please note that Mass on Wednesday is at 8.30am** since Fr Nicholas is attending a series of meetings at Archbishop's House as Area Dean. There is also no 10am Mass and Confessions/Adoration next Saturday (29th) due to the Lenten Day of Recollection. Mass will be celebrated at Field Heath at 10am.

## Lent 2025: Ideas for Prayer and Almsgiving

**CAFOD Family Fast Day** Please take an envelope home with you. Maria, our parish CAFOD rep, will be talking at some Masses this weekend.

**Cardinal's Appeal** raises money to support essential work within our diocese in the fields of social action, youth, evangelisation, Catholic education and marriage/family life. Take an envelope or visit [www.rcdow.org.uk/cardinals-appeal](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/cardinals-appeal)

**Living Way of the Cross** will be enacted in our church at 6.30pm on Saturday 22nd March. This is being organised by a group at SS Michael and Martin's church, Hounslow, who have been performing this ceremony in different parishes for the last 15 years. There is no cost—all are welcome, though due to the vividness of the performance it may not be felt suitable for younger children.

**Deanery Day of Recollection** We welcome back the Biblical scholar, Fr John Hemer, who will be looking at the accounts of the Risen Jesus in the Gospels. This day of talks, Mass, adoration and confessions takes place at Field Heath House School on Saturday 29th March, 9.30am-3pm. Please RSVP on [uxbridge@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:uxbridge@rcdow.org.uk) or see Angela.

**Friday evenings in Lent** Please come along to Stations of the Cross after the 6pm Mass (at 6.25pm) and/or tune in to Parish Rosary on YouTube at 7pm.

**Ignatian Prayer Group** on Tuesdays at 6pm is currently following a guided Lenten resource for prayer this Jubilee Year, *We Dare to Hope*. Please contact Angela for the Zoom link if you'd like to join.

**Check out our parish website** for online Stations of the Cross and Lenten reflections

**Borrow a spiritual book** from our parish library (choir loft)

**Do you have unwanted spectacles?** Please put them in the box on the table at the back of the church for charity.

**Mary's Meals** are continuing to collect unwanted jewellery, watches, mobiles, cameras, SatNavs, iPods, MP3 players, tablet computers (NOT laptops), as well foreign/old currency and stamps. Please don't include cables and clear any data off devices. Items can be placed in the box in the porch.

**Parish WhatsApp Group**

To join, please send your number to 07949717769.

**New Planned Giving Envelopes** for the next tax year are now available—please see Angela to collect yours.

**New Reader's Rota** is now available to collect from the rack by the sacristy.

**Sunday Lunch for Seniors** next takes place on Sunday 30th March, 12.30pm-2.30pm in the hall. Why not come along?

**Missio** Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio (*Red Box*) that supports missionaries around the world. Donations in recent years are as follows:

2024/25 - £258.65

2023/24 - £253.78

2022/23 - £167.26

2021/22 - £128.24

2020/21 - £280.58

2019/20 - £151.36

If you are interested or would like further details re Missio please contact joallen99@yahoo.co.uk

**One Book Kindness Exchange** Come to teas and coffees on Sunday 30th March and you're invited to bring a book to exchange with others.

**Jobs with the Diocese of Westminster** If you are interested in working with the church, visit

[www.jobs.rcdow.org.uk](http://www.jobs.rcdow.org.uk)

**St Bernadette Catholic Primary School** has some

Nursery spaces left for the September 2025 intake. If you have a child born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, we have full and part time places available. We are holding open afternoons on Thursday 20th and Wednesday 26th March, 3.20pm-4pm. Please contact 01895 232298 or email [admissions@stbernadetteschool.co.uk](mailto:admissions@stbernadetteschool.co.uk) for an application form and to register your interest.

**Uxbridge Local History Society** meets at Christ Church, Redford Way. Upcoming talks: 15th April, 7.30pm, Tony Mitchell, 'Vanished Pubs of Uxbridge' (with AGM); 20th May, 7.30pm, Fr Nicholas Schofield, 'Uxbridge and the English Civil War.' All are welcome—members free, £3 for visitors.

**'Christians in the Holy Land—Challenges and Hopes'** Bp William Shomali, auxiliary bishop to the Patriarchate of Jerusalem, will be giving a talk at Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, WC2H 8EP on Monday 31st March at 12 noon. Free entry, but please register via the Friends of the Holy Land website.

**Voices of the Survivors** The Ark Synagogue, Northwood will be screening a short film about the Kindertransport in memory of Ann and Bob Kirk, who spoke at our parish in 2019 and sadly died last year. This takes place on 23rd April at 3pm and 26th April at 10am.

**The Great Warning** is being shown at Ruislip Cineworld on 2nd April at 6.30pm; this is a documentary focussing both on the effects of sin and God's mercy. Tickets can be purchased through a google search or fanforce.

**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**

**Deanery Day of Recollection** 29th March, 9.30am-3pm

**Baptism Preparation Session** 5th April, 2.30pm

**Visit of Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe** 23rd-25th May

**Day Pilgrimage to Worcester** 5th July

**Jubilee Year 2025****Parish Office:**

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