

# Programme of festivities

XALÓ · OCTUBRE 2019 Mare de Déu Pobra

**From 08th to 17th October**  
"Novena" (9 days of prayer)  
in honour of the Virgen Pobre.

## TUESDAY 8TH OF OCTOBER

Procession of the image of the Virgen Pobre from the church to the house of Paquita Escales in C. La Virgen.

## WEDNESDAY 9TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at the cemetery. Then the image of the Virgen Pobra will be taken (procession) to the house of Rosita Fullana in la calle Nueva.

## THURSDAY 10TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at calle Nueva. Next, the Virgin will be taken in procession to the house of Paquita Ripoll in calle San Juan Bautista.

## FRIDAY 11TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at calle San Juan Bautista. Afterwards, the image of the Virgin will be taken (procession) to the house of Angelita Castells in calle la Iglesia.

## SATURDAY 12TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at the Ayuntamiento Square. At the end of the Mass, the Virgin will be taken to the priest's house in la Plaza Mayor (main square).

## SUNDAY 13TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at the Plaza Mayor. Then the image of the Virgin will be taken to the house of Magda Sivera in calle San Rafael.

## MONDAY 14TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at calle San Rafael. At the end of the Mass, the Virgin will be taken to the house of Miguel Moncho in Avda. Juan Carlos I.

## TUESDAY 15TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at the ermita de Santo Domingo (next to masymas). Next, the image of the Virgen Pobre will be taken to the house of Vicentica Garcés and Teresa Vives in calle Mayor.

## WEDNESDAY 16TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass next to the bakery of Vicentica, and then to the house of Maru Hermoso in calle Valencia.

## THURSDAY 17TH OF OCTOBER

**18.30 h** Mass at calle Valencia. Afterwards, the Virgin will be taken back to the church.

## Friday, October 11 th

**20:00**

In the town hall, "Fiestas and traditions of Xaló", explanatory talk will be given to residents and visitors so they can understand our festivals and traditions and enjoy them to the fullest.

The presentation will be carried out in English by Angélica Mas Ferrer and Cornelia Lekkerkerk.

## Wednesday, October 16 th

**20:00**

In the town hall, there will be a talk about "Holidays and traditions of Xaló" in Dutch by Cornelia Lekkerkerk.

## Thursday, October 17 th

**20:00**

The ringing of the church bells will mark the beginning of the fiestas.

**20:30**

Passacaglia (music parade) will announce the start of the festivities and, at the end of the passacaglia there will be a series of fireworks concluded a final rocket.

## Friday, October 18 th

### Cocà day and Rock night

**12:00**

Ringing of the church bells.

**20:30**

Cocà (popular dinner) at the Pla de la Sèquia (in correos street) with wine provided by the Cooperativa Virgen Pobre de Xaló and the desserts provided by masymas supermarket. During the meal you can enjoy the music of Ximo & Raquel.

**23:00**

"Night of Rock" with performances from the groups: DJ. DRASEN, EL DILUVI, ITACA BAND and THE FUMIGA.

## Saturday, October 19th

### Paella and the quintades

**10:00**

Game of Pilota Valenciana (Valencian handball competition) with players from the Pilota Valenciana School from Xaló in calle En Pere Maurí.

**11:00**

"Raspot" game, played by Xaló Pilota Valenciana club in calle En Pere Maurí.

**11:00**

Children's play area in the Plaza de las Ocas where children of different ages can enjoy various entertainments.

**12:00**

Ringing of the church bells.

**12:00**

A meeting of quintadas (people from Xaló meet in year groups of their birth. Each group have a different colour T-shirt) in the Town Hall Square. Next, passacaglia with all the "quintadas" accompanied by the CACHORRAS BAND in the route of the "correbars" (local bars, each bar provides different tapas) to the Plaça Major. In calle Alicante (opposite the old Bar Rincón) free stall tasting "Anís Tenis".

**14:00**

Giant paella provided by the famous RIQUELME in the Plaza Mayor, wine provided by the Bodega Virgen Pobre de Xaló and beer and desserts provided by the local festival committee 2019. There will also be German beer provided by "Fundación el Burro Patrimonio de la CV - Les Murtes. This foundation gives 150 l. of beer, Berliner Pilsener made by "Radeberger Group". The paella will be accompanied by the music of the charanga CACHORRAS BAND.

Please do not place the tables in the fenced area in front of the stage.

At 16:30, please, remove the tables from calle la Iglesia and Plaza Mayor.

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**18:30**

Great game of Pilota Valenciana at the Polideportivo (sports centre in Xaló) with the professional players Puchol and Tomàs vs. Genovés and Ferrer

**19:30**

Theatrical performance in valenciano of the play "Geperut i coixo" and "La cabota la té molt gelada", by the group BENIXALONI from Xaló in the town hall.

**23:00**

Performance by the MONTECARLO band.

### Sunday, October 20th

#### Pujada al Benibrahim

**11:00**

Cycle tour organized by the CLUB CICLISTA DE XALÓ. The start line will be at the Plaza Mayor. This event is open to all to join.

When it finishes, all the participants will be offered some tapas at the Plaza Mayor and the youngest can participate in popular games at calle Alicante (opposite the old bar Rincón). And an almond milk tasting provided by COOPERATIVA FLOR D'ALCALALI.

**12:00**

Wine tasting and vermouth tasting provided by the Bodega Virgen Pobre de Xaló at the Main Square.

**17:00**

Picking up the mayorales (festeros) and the city hall authorities on route. The band of dolçainers (pipe and drum) LA XOPENA D'ORBA will parade through the streets.

**17:30**

Ring of the church bells.

**18:00**

Walk to Benibrahim from the church, where the representation of the discovery of the Virgin will take place by Uncle Canet, Martín Mestre Samper and M. Carmen Mestre Monserrat, accompanied by ASOCIACIÓN MUSICAL JALONENSE, the group of dances LA MURTA-MANOLITA CASTELLS and the group of dolçainers LA XOPENA D'ORBA.

Returning to the church, a flower offering to the Virgin will take place and the "gozos" (special song) will be sung.

When the flower offering is over, ARS NOVA, a polyphonic group from Xàbia will play in the church.

**22:30**

Fantastic performance by PANTHER SHOW BAND. Don't miss this show! We would like you to remember the old bands. COME AND JOIN US!

**23:30**

"Coca María" and Chocolate (provided by CHOCOLATES CLAVILEÑO from La Vilajoiosa) will be distributed among the people.

### Monday, October 21th

#### Mare de Déu Pobra's day

**08:00**

Ring of the church bells.

**09:00**

Mass in honour of the Virgin.

**11:00**

Collecting the mayorales and mayoralesas and Xaló Town Council dignataries by ASOCIACIÓN MUSICAL JALONENSE which will parade through the streets.

**12:00**

Mass in honour of the Virgin accompanied by XALÓ'S COR (Choir). Next, the Pa Beneit (blessed sweet bread) will be distributed in the Plaza Mayor. When finished, a spectacular mascletá (firework) display by the pyrotechnics HERMANOS SIRVENT from Alicante in the Calle Hortet del Rector.

**18:30**

Presentation of young children to the Virgin.

**19:30**

Solemn procession of the Virgen Pobre, led by the group CANYA BADA from Ondara (sponsored by the Provincial Council of Alicante) and accompanied by the AGRUPACIÓ MUSICAL FESTIVAL DE XALÓ.

When the procession reaches the church, "Silencio", a trumpet solo, will be played by Nico Mengual. Afterwards, Neus Ortola Monserrat will recite the verse to the Virgin and then the image will be placed on the main altar while the hymn to the Virgin is sung.

Then, a magnificent castillo (firework display) will be launched by the pyrotechnics HERMANOS SIRVENT from Alicante in La Solana (You can see it from anywhere in between masymas and the bridge in camí del Fondo).

**23:00**

Performance of the spectacular musical WE LOVE QUEEN, in the main square.

### Tuesday, October 22th

#### The red carnation and botifarra day

**09:00**

Ring of the church bells.

**11:00**

Collecting the mayorales and mayoralesas and Xaló Town Council dignataries by the AGRUPACIÓ MUSICAL FESTIVAL DE XALÓ which will parade through the streets.

**12:00**

Mass in honor of the Virgin accompanied by XALÓ'S COR (Choir). At the end of the mass, a great mascletá (firework rocket) will be fired in the Calle Hortet del Rector by the pyrotechnics HERMANOS SIRVENT from Alicante. After the mass, the priest accompanied by the currant mayorales and mayoralesas will parade through the streets in town to the houses to the next year mayorales. The priest will give each of the next mayorales and mayoralesas a red carnation which he pins to their left shoulder. Accompanied by the AGRUPACIÓ MUSICAL FESTIVAL DE XALÓ.

**18:45**

Gathering of male and female dancers at the Ayuntamiento, accompanied by the XOPENA D'ORBA (pipe and drum), who will lead the procession to the Main Square where traditional dances will be performed.

**20:00**

"Botifarrada" (local sausage bbq) at the Plaza Mayor with wine provided by the Bodega Virgen Pobre de Xaló and music performed by HEY YO, a musical duo.

**24:00**

End of fiesta signalled by a firework display, provided by Sant Doménech 2019 local festival committee.

The coca, paella and botifarra tickets can be bought in: Panaderia Francis, Forn Vicentica and Bar Paqui.

The local festival committee reserves the right to change or cancel any act if they consider always with the desire to please the whole town and with its collaboration.