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**Newsletter 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> August 2025****Dear Parishioners**

The Gospel this week brings us the parable of the wealthy man. He would like to store his harvest in new barns to enjoy his wealth in the future. Jesus does not criticise him for being entrepreneurial and clever but for not sharing his goods with other people. He wanted to store up those goods for himself. On 15th August we are going to have an opportunity to celebrate the work of the volunteers in the parish. I would like to invite all the parishioners to the evening Mass, which is going to be followed by a garden party at Holy Name. It is important to appreciate the generosity of people who have not kept the gifts of God to themselves but shared them with fellow parishioners, offering their time, skills, and resources. In September there is going to be an opportunity to celebrate the Jubilee Year with bp Richard. The Festival of Hope will be held on Saturday 20th September in Ardingly. You can find the programme in the newsletter. If you would like to join us, please sign up in either parish office. We would like to get a coach so we need to know by the end of the week how many people would like to go. I hope you will be able to make either of the dates to celebrate the gifts God is giving us to share.

**Fr Sebastian**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass Times this Week: Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> – Fri 8<sup>th</sup> August**

<b>Day/Feast Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>Intention</b>
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Ss Joachim and Anne</i>	4.45 -5.15pm 5.30pm	<i>Reconciliation at Our Lady of Lourdes</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	People of the Parish
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00am 11.00am 5.15 -5.45pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Reconciliation at Holy Name</i> Holy Name	Aneta and Mark Seager Ints William Wells RIP
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> <i>St John Mary Vianney</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	John Merrigan in Thanksgiving
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Name	Private Intention
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> <i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	9.30am	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Adoration &amp; Rosary</i>	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Ignatius Loyola</i>	9.30am	Holy Name	Private Intention
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Dominic</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Ezia Degiovannini RIP

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Times this Week: Sat 9<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> August

<i>Day/Feast Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Church</i>	<i>Intention</i>
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross</i>	4.45 -5.15pm 5.30pm	<i>Reconciliation at Our Lady of Lourdes</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	Andrew McIlwraith RIP
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am 11.00am 5.15 -5.45pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Reconciliation at Holy Name</i> Holy Name	Bridget Crowley RIP Tony Scott (96 <sup>th</sup> birthday) & Anita & Martin Denny wedding anniversary People of the Parish
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Clare</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Bryn Noel – Private Int
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Name	Michael McKenna RIP
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Bridget of Sweden</i>	9.30am	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Adoration &amp; Rosary</i>	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Maximillian Kolbe</i>	9.30am	Holy Name	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> <i>The Assumption</i>	9.30am 6.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes <b>Holy Name</b>	Flannan & Ellen Crowley RIP
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	5.15 -5.45pm 5.30pm	<i>Reconciliation at Our Lady of Lourdes</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	People of the Parish
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am 11.00am 5.15 -5.45pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Reconciliation at Holy Name</i> Holy Name	Edward Sexton RIP John Kilner RIP

### BI-WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR AUGUST

We have given mass times above for the next two weeks as there will be no newsletter on 8<sup>th</sup> August

### FESTIVAL OF HOPE – 20<sup>th</sup> September, Haywards Heath

You are invited to a once in a lifetime opportunity to celebrate 60 years of the Diocese in this Jubilee Year of Hope. We will have inspiring speakers, uplifting music and Mass with Bishop Richard. It will be an opportunity to gather with your Brothers and Sisters in Christ from across all of our communities to explore how we can be beacons of hope for others in this world, at a time when it is so desperately needed. We will have family friendly breakout spaces, so feel free to bring the little ones. If you would like to attend this glorious day of faith filled joy and hope, contact the parish office. Tickets are limited so do get in touch soon.

### 100 CLUB WINNERS – July

1<sup>st</sup> prize Andrew Cox Rogers, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize Colette Mallett, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Helena Chandler

## YOUTH

Happy Summer Holidays. I hope everyone is enjoying a well-deserved break. Just a quick one with a few save the dates: Upcoming Events:

**Annual Quiz Night** – Friday, 5th September, 7-9:30pm, at OLOL in the Gillespie Hall

Our Parish Confirmation class of 2020 are organizing their annual quiz night in support of Diabetes UK, Sarcoma UK, and MND. Come join the fun for all ages! Please book your tickets in advance via the poster (attached) or in your church hall. Tickets include entry and dinner.

**Faith in Action Programme Kick-off** - Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> of September 4:30 - 5:30 at OLOL

This year our Parish invites all young people ages 10 to 18 to join our Faith In Action Award Programme. This award-based programme encourages young people through recognising, rewarding, and celebrating their faith

through service and reflection. This is an exciting opportunity to connect, grow, and explore your faith with other young people who are discovering what it means live their Catholic faith. (programme details attached). Our kick off evening will provide all information for the coming academic year, including registration information and opportunities for questions. All journaling packs will be provided at this session.

#### **Friday Night Youth Club - returns on September 12<sup>th</sup> at Holy Name**

#### **THANK YOU FROM COLETTE**

Dear Parishioners/friends, On behalf of my beloved Mum, I would like to thank you all for your huge welcome back, your lovely cards and gifts and all contributions for "Driving Miss Daisy", wheelchair taxi, to "get her to the church on time!". Since moving to Signature care home in Weybridge, Mum's greatest wish was to be able to attend Mass at The Church of the Holy Name and to see all her lovely friends (you know who you are). We did not expect the overwhelming show of love and when the congregation sang Happy Birthday emotional tears were shed! Hopefully we can get her there again soon, before summer ends. Once again many thanks to all and those we missed. Mum holds you very dear in her heart as do I.

**Grace and family**

#### **SATURDAY EVENING MASS TIME CHANGE TO 5.30pm**

We are going into summer mode and for August we will trial moving the 6pm Mass at OLOL to start half an hour earlier – at 5.30pm

#### **OLOL OFFICE CLOSED DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS (apart from Friday mornings)**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July will be Andrea's last day in the OLOL office until September, apart from Fridays where Leonie will be there. But emails and voicemails are manned all summer. Please continue to call or email with any mass intentions requests or speak to Leonie on Friday mornings.

#### **READER/WELCOMES/STEWARDS TRAINING AT OLOL - 6 September 10.30am**

#### **HELP IN OLOL REPOSITORY/CHURCH SHOP NEEDED**

Are you able to help sort, source and oversee running of the Shop at OLOL – perhaps as a team? If so please email the OLOL office to chat to someone a bit more about it.

#### **OLOL BIG CLEAN – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August**

There will be a deep cleaning at OLOL church on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August 101m – 12 noon. More hands make light work, please come along or contact Isabel McCormick for more information.

#### **ALPHA STARTING IN SEPTEMBER**

Our next Alpha course starts on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September and will run each Tuesday evening until December at Holy Name Church. Exact dates plus registration form can be found on our website here <https://holyfamilymbridge.church/alpha-course/> along with more information on the course. Please spread the word to any friends who may be interested to learn more about the meaning of life. Alpha is a welcoming space to explore the Christian faith, ask questions, and share your point of view, all in a friendly and open environment. Alpha welcomes everyone new to faith. Enjoy thought-provoking discussions, inspiring talks, and a chance to connect with others over a meal.

#### **HCPT HOSANNA HOUSE LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - 6th to 12th September 2025**

Come and join us for a life changing experience. We are looking forward to yet another week of prayer, rest and fun. We will also visit places of interest such as Bartres and Gavarnie in the Pyrenees. Our group includes persons of all ages and those requiring special assistance. Young helpers will be provided training. For further details please contact Emil (020 8398 9222 or 07760 220 933) or Dr Ian (020 8398 7367) or by e-mail: [group537@hcpt.org.uk](mailto:group537@hcpt.org.uk)

## **SOCIAL**

### **VOLUNTEERS SUMMER DRINKS IN THE GARDEN – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August at Holy Name**

Mass (The Assumption) will be at 6pm at Holy Name that evening followed by drinks and nibbles for all who volunteer in the Parish of Esher & Thames Ditton

### **QUIZ NIGHT – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 6-9pm, OLOL**

A regular annual quiz team from OLOL Confirmation 2019-2020 '6M' are kindly organising our next parish quiz on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September. To be held in OLOL Gillespie Hall. Fun for under and over 21s! In support of Diabetes UK, Sarcoma UK and MND. Please book your tickets in advance via the posters in the church and spread the word! Price will include dinner (curry). Pay on the door. If anyone is able to provide curry (nut free) we would love to hear from you. Please text 07534 869522. Thank you in advance.

### **DATES FOR THE DIARY:**

DIAMOND JUBILEE PARISH CELEBRATION AT OLOL – 1<sup>st</sup>/ 2<sup>nd</sup> November

CRAFT FAIR – 8<sup>th</sup> November at OLOL

CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND TEAS – 7<sup>th</sup> December at OLOL

SINGING AROUND THE LOCAL CARE HOMES – 14<sup>th</sup> December

### **THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS**

Please see below the link to Universalis which has current weekend readings. This can always be found on the front page of our website too <https://www.universalis.com/Europe.England.Arundel/mass.htm>

## REGULAR EVENTS at Holy Name and Our Lady of Lourdes (OLOL)

<b>Divine Mercy Chaplet:</b> All welcome to pray the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy, which Our Lord encouraged St. Faustina to say.	Weekly - <b>Sundays</b> after 9am Mass in the Lady Chapel	Holy Name
<b>TakeTime Meditations:</b> A calm, compassionate space to meet God with the opportunity to explore your faith with others.	Weekly - <b>Mondays</b> at 8pm on Zoom	Email parish office for link
<b>Playgroup and Café:</b> A cuppa and a chance to catch up with friends every Friday. Playgroup for babies and pre-schoolers too.	Weekly – <b>Mondays &amp; Fridays</b> 9-10.30am	OLOL
<b>Sew 'N So's:</b> Complete your craft projects with a warm welcome, friendly chat and suggestions about anything you are “stuck” on.	Weekly - <b>Fridays</b> 11am-1pm Call: Jo W on 020 8224 3705	OLOL
<b>Fun Fridays:</b> A youth club for all primary school aged children and their families. It takes place the first Friday of every month (term time) from 3:30 to 5pm in the church hall at OLOL. Games, crafts, snacks, and prizes. It's a great opportunity to hang out with friends after school and enjoy seasonal themed activities.	Monthly – 3.30pm Look out in newsletter for next one	OLOL
<b>Parish Youth Group:</b> For all those in school years 7-13 (ages 13 +) Our Youth group is really fun and relaxed and takes place every other Friday at the Holy Name Church, Esher in the Parish Rooms. It's a great opportunity to learn more about your faith, to enjoy friendship, share pizza, play games and spend some time in prayer. For more information contact the parish office	Every other Friday (see newsletter)	Holy Name
<b>Youth St Vincent de Paul</b> - A youth club for those in year's 7 & 8, working with our local St Vincent de Paul group to engage in our communities and take part in social action.	See newsletter for updates	OLOL
<b>Drinks and games after Saturday and Sunday evening Masses:</b> come along after the 6pm Mass to meet fellow parishioners	Monthly – first weekend of the month	OLOL
<b>Rosary:</b> All welcome, especially anyone who would like to learn the Rosary or anyone who needs a refresher in a peaceful environment.	Weekly - <b>Friday</b> 7pm <b>Wednesday 9.30am</b> Monthly - <b>1<sup>st</sup> Saturday</b> 9.30am <b>1<sup>st</sup> Monday</b> 7.30pm (weekly during May & October)	Holy Name OLOL Holy Name OLOL
<b>Bereavement Coffee Morning:</b> Anyone enduring the pain and loss of bereavement is welcome to attend this caring, supportive gathering. Please check newsletter for next dates	Monthly (alternate venues) 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesdays at 10am 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursdays at 7pm	Holy Name OLOL
<b>Grandparents and Elderly Group:</b> Open to all grandparents and elderly in the parish. Come along for a chat and a cuppa.	Monthly - 3rd Tuesdays at 10.15am	OLOL
<b>Bible reading group:</b> Come along for coffee, prayer and discussion: Have you ever thought about what you read in the Bible? Is it true? In what ways is it true? Is it a myth? Who says so? A small group who meet regularly to read and pray the bible together. Informative, useful, and fun	Fortnightly – Wednesdays at 10am  Call: John Merrigan (07949 913487).	OLOL
<b>Parish Soups:</b> A delicious selection of homemade soups served with bread and cheese. Come along and bring a friend!	Monthly - 2nd Wednesdays at 12pm	OLOL
<b>Taizé Evening:</b> A short service of meditative and reflective prayer, combining periods of silence, readings from Scripture, and Taizé music based on Psalm.	Monthly - Thursdays at 7pm See newsletter for dates	Holy Name
<b>Esher Catenians:</b> open to all practising Catholic men looking for a local, national and international social network Follow us on FB <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/726607333082252/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/726607333082252/</a>	Monthly – generally 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at 7:00pm for 7:30pm E: Andrew_burton33@aol.com	Various including Surbiton Golf Club, The Angel T