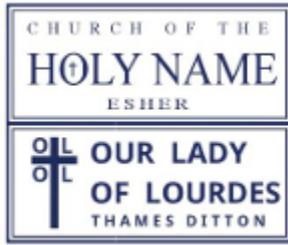


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Newsletter 30th January, 2026
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Times : Saturday 31st to Sunday 8th February, 2026

DAY/FEAST DAY	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday 31 st <i>St. John Bosco</i>	10.00am 5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes – FHC Reconciliation Service</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	Mary Gillett RIP
Sunday 1 st February <i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i> Holy Name (Youth/Confirmation Mass)	Sr. Mary Mulhall, RIP Lady Lydia Stewart Clark, RIP Pat & Liam Whelan, RIP
Monday 2 nd <i>The Presentation of the Lord - Candlemas</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Brian Cotter, RIP
Tuesday 3 rd	9.30am 10am – 11.30am	Holy Name <i>Holy Name - Adoration</i>	Timothy G. Maloney, RIP
Wednesday 4 th	9.30am	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Adoration & Rosary</i>	
Thursday 5 th <i>St. Agatha</i>	9.30am	Holy Name	Rosina Walker, RIP
Friday 6 th <i>St. Paul Miki & Companions</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Kay Kennedy, RIP
Saturday 7 th	5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	
Sunday 8 th February <i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i> Holy Name	Christopher Harrington, RIP Ken & Margaret Grainger, RIP People of the Parish

OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY – Wednesday 11th February 11am at OLOL

There will be a special Mass on this day at OLOL at 11am. It is also the World Day for the Sick and there will be an anointing during the Mass. This is followed by soups in the hall. All are welcome.

BEREAVEMENT MEETING – Thursday 5th February 7pm at OLOL

Our next meeting is THURSDAY 5th Feb 7pm at OLOL with an opportunity to light a candle and say a prayer for your deceased loved one. This is followed by the chance to join our meeting afterwards, considering *Talking about death*:

Should we, as a society, talk more about death and dying? Are there any words, written or spoken, about death which you have found helpful? All are very welcome to attend for tea and a chat. The next meeting will be at Holy Name on Tuesday 3rd March at 10am.

YOUTH

FLAME!

The Flame Congress is back on **Saturday 6 March 2027**, uniting thousands of young Catholics for the UK's largest youth Catholic event at the OVO Arena Wembley.

Get ready for an incredible day of faith, inspiration, and community! We will purchase group tickets for our two churches and plan to travel together. If you'd like to register your interest, email: youth.etd@abdiocese.org.uk. More details will be shared soon — don't miss out!

Fun Friday

Save the date, **Friday, 6th of February at OLOL from 3:30 – 5**. Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of games with exciting activities, great friends, and lots of laughs! Snacks will be provided. Please note games are aimed at KS2 children. Parents attending with younger children are kindly asked to remain with them throughout the session.

We look forward to seeing you there for another fantastic Fun Friday!

Youth Alpha – Secondary School

Join us every other Friday at **Holy Name** for our **Youth Alpha series**! This engaging program explores life's big questions and what our faith has to say about them. Through open discussion and meaningful connection, Youth Alpha aims to empower young people in a supportive and welcoming environment. Pizza and games to follow.

All secondary school students are welcome — bring a friend! Upcoming Dates: **Friday, 6th and 27th of February 7-9pm.**

Youth/Confirmation Mass this Sunday 1st February at 6.00 pm, Holy Name

SOCIAL

WINE TASTING EVENING – Saturday 7th February 7pm at Holy Name

Come and join us as we try to blow away the post-Christmas blues with a warming Winter Spanish Showcase of some excellent examples of the wines the country offers. Hugh Rawlinson will be bringing some of his knowledge from Waitrose to host a tailored tasting through both well known and lesser known examples of Spanish wine, along with a few anecdotes around the history of wine in the area. Light complimentary snacks and nibbles will be provided. The event is being generously supported by Esher Catenians and monies raised from the evening will be donated to CAFOD in support of their critical work supporting aid and development around the world. Tickets are £25 and can be secured through the Parish office at Esher, but do please also feel free to get in touch with Hugh (hughrawlinson@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.

OLOL FEAST DAY SOUP LUNCH – Wednesday 11th February 12 noon at OLOL (after Mass)

All are welcome

Save the Date – 18th April – Small Theatre Group, Holy Name

The Holy Name Charities Team have booked a small theatre group to perform in the church hall on Saturday 18th April. Details on the event will follow at the end of January, and we ask that the parish support this fundraising activity.

Art, anyone ?..... Calling all budding artists....

Would you be interested in beginners' arts classes at OLOL Community Cafe with Claudia Lopez, a painter and illustrator with more than 10 years experience teaching adults. £15 pay as you go or £140 for 10 x 2-hour sessions. For more information contact 07754 564806

2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR THE DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

DECEMBER OFFERINGS

Standing Orders £12,864.77; Offertory Cash £2,087.87; Offertory Contactless £3,464; Soups £200.36; £185 Arundel Cathedral Maintenance; Crib £92.21; Oasis Soups £248; Songbirds £1,070

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For children with incurable diseases; that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

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)		
Divine Mercy Chaplet: All welcome to pray the Chaplet of The Divine Mercy, which Our Lord encouraged St. Faustina to say.	Weekly - Sundays after 9am Mass in the Lady Chapel	Holy Name
TakeTime Meditations: A calm, compassionate space to meet God with the opportunity to explore your faith with others. Click here	Weekly - Mondays at 8pm on Zoom	
Playgroup and Café: A cuppa and a chance to catch up with friends every Friday. Playgroup for babies and pre-schoolers too.	Weekly – Mondays & Fridays – 9am-10.30am	OLOL
Sew 'N So's: Complete your craft projects with a warm welcome, friendly chat and suggestions about anything you are “stuck” on.	Call: Jo W 020 8224 3705	OLOL
Fun Fridays: A youth club for primary aged children and their families. Activities are geared at KS2 with crafts, games, snacks, and a prize draw. It's a great opportunity to hang out with friends after school and enjoy seasonal themed activities.	5 Fridays term time – 3:30pm – 5pm Look out in newsletter for next one	OLOL
Parish Youth Group: For students in school years 7–13 (ages 13 and above) The Parish Youth Group offers a welcoming and supportive environment for young people to grow in their faith, build friendships, and enjoy time together in a relaxed setting. Held every other Friday in the Parish Rooms with pizza, games and fellowship at Holy Name Church, Esher.	Every other Friday (see newsletter)	Holy Name
Faith In Action Awards Programme – Our Parish award programme for those in Secondary School, supporting our candidates through their faith journey this year. Please see updates in the newsletter.	4 Reflection Dates: November 1 st , January 3 rd , others TBD	OLOL
Scrabble Club All are welcome to join our new Scrabble Club which will take place at Holy Name on a Tuesday afternoon 2-4pm. If you are interested or would like more information or would like transport please contact	Weekly – Tuesdays 2-4pm at Holy Name Sarah Ford 07704 957612	OLOL
Rosary: All welcome, especially anyone who would like to learn the Rosary or anyone who needs a refresher in a peaceful environment.	Weekly Friday 7pm, Wednesday 9.30am Monthly: 1st Saturday 9.30am 1st Monday 7.30pm (weekly during May & October)	Holy Name OLOL Holy Name OLOL
Bereavement Coffee Morning: 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 st Tuesdays at 10am 1 st Thursdays at 7pm	Holy Name OLOL
Grandparents and Elderly Group: Open to all grandparents and elderly in the parish. Come along for a chat and a cuppa.	Monthly - 3rd Tuesdays at 10.15am	OLOL
Bible reading group: 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
Parish Soups: A delicious selection of homemade soups served with bread and cheese. Come along and bring a friend!	Monthly - 2nd Wednesdays at 12pm	OLOL
Taizé Evening: A short service of meditative and reflective prayer, combining periods of silence, readings from Scripture, and Taizé music based on Psalm.	Monthly - 7pm Next Thu 5 Feb & Thu 5 Mar	Holy Name
Esher Catenians: open to all practising Catholic men looking for a local, national and international social network Follow us on FB https://www.facebook.com/groups/726607333082252/	Monthly – generally 2 nd Tuesdays at 7:00pm for 7:30pm E: Andrew_burton33@aol.com	Various including Surbiton Golf Club, The Angel T D