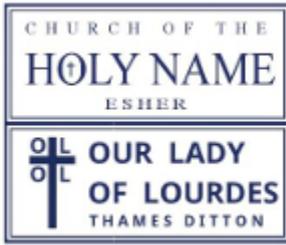


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Newsletter 13th February, 2026
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Times : Saturday 14th to Sunday 22nd February, 2026			
DAY/FEAST DAY	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday 14 th <i>Sts. Cyril & Methodius</i>	5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	HCPT Group's Intentions
Sunday 15 th <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i> Holy Name	Armando di Palma, RIP Mary Clarke RIP People of the Parish
Monday 16 th	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	C.J. Kim, RIP
Tuesday 17 th <i>Shrove Tuesday</i>	9.30am 10am – 11.30am	Holy Name <i>Holy Name – Adoration</i>	Brigid Anderson Ints
Wednesday 18 th <i>ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	9.30am 7.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes	
Thursday 19 th	9.30am	Holy Name	Muriel & Roy Rogers, RIP
Friday 20 th	9.30am 10.30am 8.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Holy Name – <i>Stations of the Cross</i> Our Lady of Lourdes – <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	Philip Manser, RIP <i>Led by Bereavement Team</i>
Saturday 21 st	5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	People of the Parish
Sunday 22 nd <i>1st Sunday in Lent</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i> Holy Name	C.J. Kim, RIP Ron & Carmel Pintus, RIP

FEAST DAY OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

On Wednesday this week, a special mass was celebrated at OLOL to mark the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes. Parishioners gasped for joy when a surprise priest entered with Fr Benny to concelebrate mass – Fr Sebastian! Although he is still very much recovering and recuperating, he felt it was important to come and thank Our Lady for answering your prayers in bringing him back to health. She does listen and he is the proof! Fr. Sebastian asks us to keep praying for his continued recovery as he has a long road ahead. Here are some pictures and the Mass was followed by soup. It was a wonderful occasion and below you will see Sr Faith also joined us.



HCPT LOURDES ANNUAL DINNER – Saturday 14th February at OLOL

The Lourdes Group Annual Reunion Dinner will be held on Saturday 14th February 2026 at 7.00pm (after 5.30pm mass). Tickets are available at £30 per head. The programme includes a delicious menu. All our welcome. For further details contact Emil/Ian (0208 398 9222), WhatsApp 07760 220 933 or email: group537@hcpt.org.uk

PANCAKES ON SHROVE TUESDAY - 17 FEBRUARY HOLY NAME - Pancakes after the 9.30am Mass. All welcome.

FOR THE BEREAVED AND ALL: come and join us on **Friday 20th February at 10.30am at Holy Name** for a special Stations of the Cross - a journey through grief with Our Lord's consolation, particularly directed at anyone suffering bereavement but open to everyone. The Diocese has provided a thoughtful and supportive guide, which we will be following. Refreshments available in the hall afterwards.

LENT

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

9.30am at Holy Name

7pm at OLOL

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS DURING LENT

12 noon at Holy Name followed by soup lunch (apart from 20th – please see above)

8pm at OLOL

LENTEN RECONCILIATION – St Erconwald, Walton Saturday 21st March

More details to follow

EASTER SERVICES

Holy Thursday (2 nd April)	Mass of the Lord's Supper	8pm	Holy Name
Good Friday (3 rd April)	The Passion	3pm	OLOL
		3pm	Holy Name
Easter Saturday (4 th April)	Easter Vigil	8pm	OLOL
Easter Sunday (5 th April)	Easter Sunday	9am	Holy Name
	Easter Sunday	11am	OLOL

WEEKDAY MASSES

As we continue to organise supply priests for all our Masses you will notice a few new faces during Lent. We have decided to cut back a few weekday masses during March. We will have at least one Mass in each church during the week so please keep an eye on the newsletter to check each week.

WORK CONTINUES AT OLOL FOR NEW ALARM SYSTEM

This phase will happen on and off for the next three weeks.

YOUTH

Faith In Action

This Lent, our Faith in Action candidates are taking part in **CAFOD's Big Lent Walk**. Together, they have set themselves the challenge of walking **200km in 40 days** to stand in solidarity with those around the world who must walk long distances every day just to access safe water.

We invite you to follow their journey and encourage them along the way. Your sponsorship, no matter how small, can make a real difference by helping to bring clean, safe water to communities in need.

We would also love for members of our Parish community to join us and help add to our 200km total. More details on how to take part will be shared soon.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support. For more information about CAFOD's Big Lent Walk :

<https://parishes.walk.cafod.org.uk/parishes/our-lady-of-lourdes-thames-ditton-kt-7-0-lp>

St Paul's Class of 2025 Reunion Night

All those in Year 7 are warmly invited to join us for a Reunion Night in the Church Hall at OLOL on **Friday 6th March from 6:30pm – 8:00pm**.

Come along for a chance to catch up with your St Paul's friends, share some laughs, and enjoy a fun evening together. There will be a quiz, bingo, and pizza for everyone!

Parents are very welcome to stay and join in the fun or enjoy your own reunion in the café — wine will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!

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 27th Feb 7-9pm**

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!

SOCIAL

“THE MAN WHO LEFT THE TITANIC” – 18th April, 7.30pm at **Holy Name**

Live Theatre is coming to Holy Name. On 18th April in the Parish Rooms, “The man who left the Titanic” will be performed by the Isosceles theatre group at 7:30pm, (doors open for refreshments 7pm). Tickets are £25 and are available from the Parish Office (esher@abdiocese.org.uk) Cash or contactless. Or pay online using reference “Theatre/your surname”. Profits will go to Kingston Churches Action on Homelessness (KCAH)

ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH – Tuesday 17th March at Holy Name

We are planning the return of a much loved and popular celebration lunch for the feast of St Patrick. In order to ensure the successful, enjoyable and delicious celebration many will remember, we need to recruit volunteer helpers to assist in the preparation, cooking and service on the day. Please would you pledge your skills to assist in this wonderful charity endeavour by contacting Carmina Thornton on 07770 978271 or carminaleon@icloud.com at your earliest convenience. Mass will be at 11.30am that day. Please book your place via the office esher@abdiocese.org.uk @ £15 per ticket

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY TALK – Sunday 8th March 12-2pm at OLOL

Join us! Relaxing Art Therapy session linked to nature, the Gospels and Prayer (led by Chris Cross). Along with a light lunch of soup & bread. Please book a FREE place thamesditton@abdiocese.org.uk or 07921 089755

Save the date: STRAWBERRY TEAS – 14th June 3-5pm at OLOL

Details to follow

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>



WITHIN OUR PARISH OF WEYBRIDGE

St Erconwald Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela, 9-16 June.

Join us for this 8-day spiritual journey. Pilgrims will walk the 100km at their own pace. This journey will take you through beautiful landscapes, historic churches, and significant religious sites, culminating at the magnificent Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela. Contact St Erconwald's Parish office on 07494 749 833 for more information or go to [St Erconwald's - St Erconwald's Walton on Thames Home Page](https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/lwbzql9k) for more details.

Lenten small faith-sharing groups

Join us for five sessions on Wednesday mornings or Thursday evenings - don't worry if you can't make them all. These small groups sessions will include scripture, prayers and a reflection, starting on **25/26 February**. Sign up here for Wednesday morning sessions: <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/lwbzql9k> or here for the Thursday evening sessions: <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/mfzrragw>

From the Diocese

Grandparents' Formation day – Thursday 23 April 10-4pm at St John the Evangelist parish hall, Horsham

Join us for what promises to be a wonderful, engaging and affirming day with guest speaker, David Wells. You will be able to listen to the inspirational experience of David Wells as evangelist, father and grandfather. A chance to meet with people from across the grandparent network of the diocese and those who are keen to bring the faith to the next generation. For more details on David's powerful, fun and engaging talks on our faith you might like to visit his website W: davidwellslive.com To register, go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events If you have any questions about the day please contact Deacon Simon South, Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Adviser E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

Mental Health Awareness training – Saturday 9 May 2026 10-3pm at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley - Tickets are just £40 per delegate (usual price £120)

One of the challenges that we are experiencing in our modern world is the growing number of people, of all ages, experiencing the darkness and challenge of various mental health conditions. Thanks to the support of Mental Health England, we are able to offer this training, to explore the realities, symptoms and impact of living with these many debilitating conditions. Thanks to the support of the trainer, we are able to highly subsidise the event. To register scan the QR code which can be found on the attached poster, or go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events If you have any questions about this course, do not hesitate to contact Deacon Simon South, Marriage & Family Life Adviser at E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

Special First Saturday Devotion Fatima Prayers - 7th March 2026 – Our Lady Queen of Peace, Adur Valley, BN43 5WG

Visitation of National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and relics of Sts. Jacinta & Francisco

The day starts at 9.45am with a procession enthronement of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and the relics of Saint Jacinta & Saint Francisco. Thereafter Mass with Prayer of Re-Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, veneration of relics and Adoration.

There will be items for sale and you are welcome to all or part of the day.

St Peter's Church, Shoreham-by-Sea, BN43 5WG

(Tea/coffee available; please bring a packed lunch)

Email: adurvalley@abdiocese.org.uk for more information or visit the website here: <https://www.worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/the-first-five-saturdays-devotion-explained>

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 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