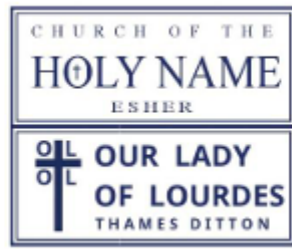


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Newsletter 20th February, 2026
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Times : Saturday 21st February to Sunday 1st March, 2026			
DAY/FEAST DAY	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday 21 st Feb	5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	People of the Parish
Sunday 22 nd Feb <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i> Holy Name	C.J. Kim, RIP Ron & Carmel Pintus, RIP
Monday 23 rd Feb	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Graham Watson, RIP
Tuesday 24 th Feb	9.30am 10.00am – 11.00am 1.30pm	Holy Name Holy Name – <i>Adoration</i> <i>Holy Name - Funeral – Rosina Walker</i>	Cissie Griffin, RIP
Wednesday 25 th Feb	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes – <i>Adoration & Rosary</i>	
Thursday 26 th Feb	9.30am	Holy Name	Michael Kelly, RIP
Friday 27 th Feb	9.30am 12.00pm 8.00pm	Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Holy Name – Stations of the Cross</i> <i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Stations of the Cross</i>	People of the Parish
Saturday 28 th Feb	5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	Rajendra Babu, RIP
Sunday 1 st March <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i> Holy Name	Fr. Sebastian & Family John Kilner, RIP

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.

HCPT Group 352 Lourdes Easter Pilgrimage - 6th April to 11th April 2026

Come and join us for a life changing experience. We shall visit places of interest such as Bartres and Gavarnie in the Pyrenees. We are looking forward to a week of prayer, rest and fun. Come and join us to experience a new adventure. For further details please contact: Amanda/Tharshi (020 8393 7891) Emil (020 8398 9222) or by e-mail: info@hendford.org.uk

LENT

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS DURING LENT

12 noon at Holy Name followed by soup lunch

8pm at OLOL

LENTEN RECONCILIATION – St Erconwald's, Walton-on-Thames, KT12 2TA, 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

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 2027!

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.eta@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

Thank you – Wine Tasting evening

Thank you to all who came to support the recent Wine Tasting evening and thank you to Hugh Rawlinson for his knowledge and for organising the evening. The total profit to go to Cafod is £700

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>

JANUARY OFFERINGS

Standing Orders £12,034; Offertory Cash £1,965.22; Offertory Contactless £1,822; OLOL Soups £55; Crib Collection £108.47; Pax Christi £304.70



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 Sgt 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](#) 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>

A Lecture at St Erconwald's – The mysteries of the Rosary in History and in Art, 18th March 7pm

Join us for this interesting lecture on 18th March at 7pm given by Dr Adam Sammut, University of York. The rosary is one of the most popular devotions in all of Catholicism. A product of late medieval piety, it has inspired a Marian cult and the foundation of brotherhoods around the world, with Pope John Paul II adding the Luminous Mysteries to this tradition in 2002. This lecture examines the remaking of the rosary during the Counter-Reformation, and the role of brotherhoods and visual art in defining it from the grassroots.

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