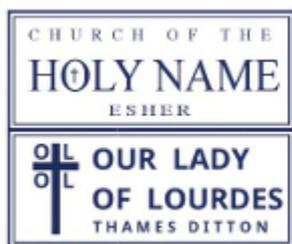


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**Parish Priest - Fr Sebastian Paul**

**Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2026**  
**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Mass Times : Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2026**

| DAY/FEAST DAY   | TIME  | CHURCH   | INTENTION  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> March                                | 5.00pm<br>5.30pm                            | <i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i><br>Our Lady of Lourdes   | Thomas Boardman, RIP   |
| Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> March<br><i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>   | 9.00am<br>11.00am<br>5.30pm<br>6.00pm       | Holy Name<br>Our Lady of Lourdes<br><i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i><br>Holy Name   | C. J. Kim, RIP<br>Assad Abbo, RIP  |
| Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March                                  | 9:30am NO MASS                              | <i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Morning Prayers only</i>  |  |
| Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March                                | 9.45am NO MASS<br>10.00am – 11.00am         | <i>Holy Name – Morning Prayers only</i><br>Holy Name – <i>Adoration</i>  |  |
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March                              | 9.30am                                      | Our Lady of Lourdes – <i>Adoration &amp; Rosary</i>  |  |
| Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March                               | 9.30am                                      | Holy Name  | Stuart Hunter RIP  |
| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March                                 | 11.00am<br>(no 9.30am)<br>12.00pm<br>8.00pm | Our Lady of Lourdes – Funeral of Peter Rotor<br><i>Holy Name – Stations of the Cross</i><br>Our Lady of Lourdes – <i>Stations of the Cross</i> |  |
| Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> March                               | 5.00pm<br>5.30pm                            | <i>Our Lady of Lourdes - Reconciliation</i><br>Our Lady of Lourdes   |  |
| Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> March<br><i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i> | 9.00am<br>11.00am<br>5.30pm<br>6.00pm       | Holy Name<br>Our Lady of Lourdes<br><i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i><br>Holy Name   | Fr Stephen’s Intentions<br>Cheryl Eligon Herrera RIP<br><br>People of the Parish |

**APOLOGIES FOR LAST SUNDAY EVENING MASS**

We are very sorry to those who came along to the 6pm Mass at Holy Name last Sunday but there was no priest. This was an administrative error and we apologise. Our roster of multiple supply priests for the past six months has mainly been sound but on this occasion something slipped. Thank you to our amazing sacristans who took hold of the situation with Liturgy and Holy Communion and to Aileen Madden for continuing with her beautiful music. We are very grateful to all the priests who have supplied for us to date – in particular Fr Stephen and Fr Benny. It has been good to see Fr Sebastian concelebrating Mass a couple of times lately but he remains on long term sick leave. Rest assured we are in communication with the Diocese about getting greater stability in securing priests.

**BAPTISMS**

We welcome into the Church Ameilia Gosney and Fiachra Kelly who were baptised at OLOL last weekend and Rory Cunningham who will be baptised at Holy Name this weekend. Congratulations to all the families.

## 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>

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY – please come along to our event on Sunday at OLOL**

*"Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud"*  
Maya Angelou

*"You must do the things you think you cannot do"*  
Eleanor Roosevelt

**International Women's Day**

**AN INVITATION TO WOMEN OF ALL AGES**

- join us on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March** to celebrate International Women's Day 2026

Enjoy a relaxing Art Therapy session linked to Nature, The Gospels & Prayer (led by Chris & Pam)

Along with a light lunch of soup & bread

From noon until 2pm (following 11am mass) in the OLOL Hall

For more information or to book your **FREE place**, e-mail [thamesditton@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:thamesditton@abdiocese.org.uk) or contact Karen H on 07921 089755

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*"One child, one teacher, one book, and one pen can change the world"*  
Malala Youssafzai

*"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love"*  
Mother Teresa

## 100 CLUB WINNERS FOR FEBRUARY

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Helena Chandler, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize Liz Smith, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Liz Harlow

## LENT

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

12 noon at Holy Name followed by soup lunch  
8pm at OLOL

### LENTEN RECONCILIATION

**Walton:** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March St Erconwald's, Walton-on-Thames, KT12 2TA (see notice below)

**Weybridge:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 6pm. Christ the Prince of Peace Lent Reconciliation Service

**Hersham:** Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 5.00-5.30pm All Saints

**Molesey:** Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April any time between 11am – 4pm St Barnabas

### CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY

There will be a Children's Stations of the Cross in each church on Good Friday. Both at 9.45am and both followed by hot cross buns!

### EASTER SERVICES

|   |                           |               |           |
|---|---------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| Holy Thursday (2 <sup>nd</sup> April)   | Mass of the Lord's Supper | 8pm           | Holy Name |
| Good Friday (3 <sup>rd</sup> April)     | The Passion               | 3pm           | OLOL      |
|   |                           | 3pm           | Holy Name |
| Easter Saturday (4 <sup>th</sup> April) | Easter Vigil              | <b>8:30pm</b> | OLOL      |
| Easter Sunday (5 <sup>th</sup> April)   | Easter Sunday             | 9am           | Holy Name |
|   |                           | 11am          | OLOL      |

## SAD NEWS

Peter Hall passed away. His funeral service will be held at Kingston Crematorium on 17<sup>th</sup> March at 11am

## YOUTH

Our Lady of Lourdes (LOL) Choir is inviting young parishioners to join them on the **first Sunday of every month at 10:15 AM**. Come for practice, stay and sing with the choir during Mass and grow your musical and liturgical skills while serving the parish. Everyone is welcome—bring your voice or your instrument and be part of the music!

### 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 LOL 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 this Friday for our **4th Youth Alpha session!** We'll explore: **“Why would I want a relationship with God?”** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> of February 7–9 PM at Holy Name. Pizza and games included. Come for the conversation, stay for the fun – all secondary school students welcome!

### Faith In Action

Our Faith In Action candidates are well on their way in **CAFOD's Big Lent Walk**. Please 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. <https://parishes.walk.cafod.org.uk/parishes/our-lady-of-lourdes-thames-ditton-kt-7-0-lp>

## SOCIAL

### “THE MAN WHO LEFT THE TITANIC” – 18<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm at Holy Name

Live Theatre is coming to Holy Name. On 18<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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)

### LOL MONTHLY SOUP LUNCH - Wednesday, 11th March 2026, 12pm at LOL.

A delicious selection of homemade soups with bread and cheese. Come along and bring a friend!

### ST PATRICK'S DAY LUNCH – Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at Holy Name – DEADLINE 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2026

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. If you can help please contact Carmina Thornton on 07770 978271 [carminaleon@icloud.com](mailto:carminaleon@icloud.com). Mass will be at 11.30am that day. Please book your place via the office [esher@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:esher@abdiocese.org.uk) @ £15 per ticket

### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY TALK – Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 12-2pm at LOL

See poster above

**Save the date: STRAWBERRY TEAS** – 14<sup>th</sup> June 3-5pm at LOL



| 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<br>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. <a href="#">Click here</a>  | Weekly - <b>Mondays</b> at 8pm on Zoom   |   |
| <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> – 9am-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.   | Call: Jo W 020 8224 3705   | OLOL  |
| <b>Fun Fridays:</b> 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<br>Look out in newsletter for next one  | OLOL  |
| <b>Parish Youth Group:</b> 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   |
| <b>Faith In Action Awards Programme</b> – 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:<br>November 1 <sup>st</sup> , January 3 <sup>rd</sup> , others TBD   | OLOL  |
| <b>Scrabble Club</b> 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<br>Sarah Ford 07704 957612  | 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,<br><b>Wednesday</b> 9.30am<br>Monthly:<br><b>1<sup>st</sup> Saturday</b> 9.30am<br><b>1<sup>st</sup> Monday</b> 7.30pm (weekly during May & October) | Holy Name<br>OLOL<br>Holy Name<br>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)<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesdays at 10am<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Thursdays at 7pm   | Holy Name<br>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<br>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 - 7pm<br>Next <b>Thu 5 Mar</b>   | 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<br>E: Andrew_burton33@aol.com  | Various including Surbiton Golf Club, The Angel T D |