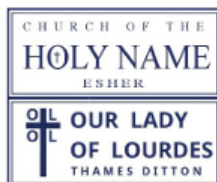


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Newsletter Friday, 24 July, 2026

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BUILDING WORK AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES

For those of you who attend Our Lady of Lourdes, you will no doubt be as relieved as I am that the builders have now completed their work and departed. I would like to share with you the improvements we have made to the building.

Compliance and Safety Improvements - In order to comply with legal requirements, we have installed a fire alarm system and fitted fire doors throughout the premises. Additionally, there is now no accessible asbestos within the building. Although a small amount remains, it is entirely inaccessible and does not pose a risk.

Office Relocation - The office, which was previously situated behind the kitchen—a location that was practical when a priest resided in the presbytery—has now been relocated. The new office is positioned off the Narthex, making it much more convenient for parishioners.

Room and Door Upgrades - The doors leading from the Narthex to the Stephenson Room have been replaced and now match the office doors, providing a more cohesive look. The sacristy floor has also been replaced to ensure safety and improve appearance.

Enhanced Facilities for Young People - The choir loft, which had been used as a storeroom for many years, has been cleared and carpeted. This area now serves as a dedicated space for our young people to use.

Ongoing Work - Although we are not yet able to use the office in its final form, we are currently working with BT Openreach to install high-speed cable. Once this work is complete, the office will be fully operational.

Chris Bourne, PPC Chair

Mass Time : Saturday, 25 July to Sunday, 2 August, 2026

DAY/FEAST DAY	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday, 25 July <i>St. James, Apostle</i>	5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	Fr Sebastian's health
Sunday, 26 July <i>Seventeenth 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	Joseph & Mafalda Di Lieto, RIP Alistair MacKenzie RIP People of the Parish
Monday, 27 July	NO MASS 9.30am	Morning prayer - Our Lady of Lourdes	
Tuesday, 28 July	9.30am	Holy Name	Puriqué Perez-Fragero, RIP
Wednesday, 29 July <i>Sts. Mary, Martha & Lazarus</i>	9.30am No Mass	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i> <i>Adoration & Rosary only</i>	
Thursday, 30 July	9.30am	Holy Name	Rosina Walker, RIP
Friday, 31 July <i>St. Ignatius Loyola</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Ann Boardman, RIP

Saturday, 1 August <i>St. Alphonsus Ligouri</i>	5.00 pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	The Soul of Rajendrababu
Sunday, 2 August <i>Eighteenth 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	Jeannie & Gordon Asbury, RIP People of the Parish Jennifer Kazandijan, RIP

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>

ADORATION AT HOLY NAME

Adoration will resume on 8th September.

FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY AT HOLY NAME on Saturday, 1st August at 9.30am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027

The new registration criteria and process and application forms are now available on the website here <https://holymfamilyembridge.church/first-holy-communion-online-form/> **Deadline 12th September** and late applications may not be accepted so please ensure you don't miss it!

HCPT LOURDES PILGRIMAGE IN SEPTEMBER

Come and join us for the HCPT Hosanna House Lourdes Pilgrimage between 26th September to 2nd October 2026. We will visit places of interest to include Bartres and Gavarnie in the Pyrenees. This being the 70th Year of the Founding of HCPT (Platinum Jubilee) it is bound to be a very special week. Our group includes persons of all ages and those requiring special assistance. Young helpers can be provided with training at a Care Home. For further details please contact by email group537@hcpt.org.uk, or by phone - Emil or Karen at office 020 8398 9222 or Laisa or Tharshi 020 8393 7891.

SOCIAL

Annual Parish Quiz - OLOL - Friday 11th September - 7pm

Annual OLOL Back to Uni/ College/School charity quiz. Tickets on sale soon so watch out for details.

School of Joy Quiz Night - Holy Name – Saturday 28th November

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY – Respect for Human Life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages recognising it as a gift from God.

LOCAL CAR SERVICE

For any parishioners needing help getting to hospital and doctors appointments you may like to get in touch with Esher and Claygate Car Service. A small voluntary donation of £3 or £5 is suggested depending on distance. For more information Tel: 07501 029237 Email: eccsdriversrequests@gmail.com Website: www.esher-and-claygate-car-service.com

JUNE COLLECTIONS

Standing Orders £12,702.27; Offertory Cash £2392.64; Offertory Contactless £1,310; Soups £40; Missionary Endeavour £45; World Communications £25; Day for Life £293.05; Peter's Pence £248.80; Lourdes Cake Sale OLOL £483; Redshirts HN £100, KAG Youth Mass £113.

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 – 9am-10.30am Mondays & Fridays	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 See newsletter for next event	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 peoples' homes on a Tuesday morning 10-12. If you are interested or would like more information or need transport please contact Sarah Ford 07904 957612	Weekly – Tuesdays 10am-12pm during Summer only	Private Homes
Rosary: All welcome, especially anyone who would like to learn the Rosary or anyone who needs a refresher in a peaceful environment.	Weekly: Fri 7pm (not in Aug next 4 Sept) Wed 9.30am Monthly: 1st Saturday 9.30am 1st Monday 7.30pm (weekly during May & Oct)	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 1 st Thu - 7pm Next session 1 Oct	OLOL
Esher Catenians: open to all practising Catholic men looking for a local, national and international social network. For more info, contact Hugh Rawlinson, Membership Officer at hughrawlinson@hotmail.com Follow us on FB https://www.facebook.com/groups/726607333082252/	Monthly – generally 2 nd Tuesdays 7:00pm for 7:30pm https://eshercatenians.org.uk/	Various including Surbiton Golf Club, The Angel T D