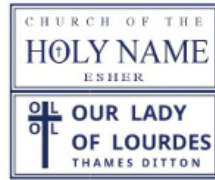


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Newsletter Friday, 31 July, 2026

EIGHTEENTH & NINETEENTH SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Time : Saturday, 1 August to Sunday, 16 August, 2026			
DAY/FEAST DAY	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday, 1 August <i>St. Alphonsus Ligouri</i>	5.00pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	The Soul of Rajendrababu, RIP
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
Monday, 3 August	NO MASS 9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Morning prayer only</i>	
Tuesday, 4 August <i>St. John Mary Vianney</i>	NO MASS 9.30am	Holy Name <i>Morning Prayer only</i>	
Wednesday, 5 August	NO MASS 9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Adoration & Rosary only</i>	
Thursday, 6 August <i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	9.30am	Holy Name	Daniel Basini, RIP
Friday, 7 August	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Nugent, Cash, Ward & Docherty Families - Living and Deceased
Saturday, 8 August <i>St. Dominic</i>	5.00 pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	George Merritt, RIP
Sunday, 9 August <i>Nineteenth 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	Stefan Junor, RIP Tony Scott – 97 th birthday People of the Parish
Monday, 10 August <i>St. Lawrence</i>	NO MASS 9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Morning prayer only</i>	
Tuesday, 11 August <i>St. Clare</i>	NO MASS 9.30am	Holy Name <i>Morning Prayer only</i>	
Wednesday, 12 August	NO MASS 9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Adoration & Rosary only</i>	
Thursday, 13 August	9.30am	Holy Name	Noel and Jeffrey Addley RIP
Friday, 14 August <i>St. Maximilian Kolbe</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	
Saturday, 15 August	5.00 pm 5.30pm	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes – Reconciliation</i> Our Lady of Lourdes	People of the Parish
Sunday, 16 August <i>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes <i>Holy Name - Reconciliation</i> Holy Name	Aneta & Mark Seager 20 th Anniv Soden Family Intentions

BAPTISMS

We have three baptisms this Sunday (two at Holy Name, one at OLOL) and one next Sunday (9th) at OLOL. Congratulations to the Webb, Burns, Dias, Pereira and Tench families as we welcome their children into the world

BI WEEKLY NEWSLETTERS OVER THE SUMMER

There will be no newsletter next week as we will just do one every two weeks over summer holidays

FR MAX AWAY FROM MONDAY FOR THREE WEEKS

Fr Max will be with us this weekend but then covering Chichester parish for three weeks August but back with us on 27th August for one more month. In the meantime we have a mixture of Fr Benny, Fr John, Fr Ruslan, Fr Peter and Fr Bill so we are very lucky!

100 CLUB WINNERS JULY

1st Prize Terence James, 2nd prize Hugh Rawlingson, 3rd prize Laurie Sheridan

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The next meeting of the CWL will take place on Tuesday 1st September at 7.30pm in the hall at OLOL. A representative from PACT (Prison Advice Care Trust) will give a talk on the wonderful work they do. Coffee and cake will be served and a raffle will be held. All ladies are invited to attend

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>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027

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

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST – EVANGELISATION IN THE CITY

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel discovering creative paths to build community.

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

PRINCESS ALICE HOSPICE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO TREK 2027

In partnership with St Raphael's Hospice, our **2027 Camino de Santiago Trek** is a bespoke 5-day challenge to walk the 117km of the eighth and final stage of the iconic French Way. Beginning in Sarria, in northwest Spain, walkers will trek through the rolling hills of Galicia, taking in the breath-taking scenery and the rich tapestry of cultural and historical landmarks along the route. They are planning an information evening on **Wednesday 9 September at 6:30pm at the Hospice** anyone interested can learn more about the trek and meet fellow trekkers, whilst getting into the spirit of things with tapas and Spanish drinks. People interested in attending the event can book their place here – [Camino De Santiago Trek - Information Evening - Princess Alice Hospice](#) There will be a registration fee and a sponsorship target for trekkers, but help offered throughout the fundraising journey – more details can be found their our website. As they prepare for the trip, there will be the opportunity to grow community amongst other trekkers with training walks and social activities.

Diocesan run events/notices

Walsingham Pilgrimage October 2026 cancellation

Following the wonderful news that our Diocese is to be blessed with a new Bishop, Bishop-elect Stephen Wang, we have been advised that a Mass of Welcome, which he has asked to celebrate, will clash with the trip to Walsingham. This clash is unavoidable as there are many circumstances leading to the choice of date and Fr Stephen is very keen to meet the people as soon as possible after his episcopal ordination. The decision has therefore been taken to cancel the Walsingham Pilgrimage for this year.

Mass for Altar Servers at Arundel Cathedral, Saturday 12 September at 12 noon

Fr Aaron Spinelli, Diocesan Director for the Guild of St Stephen, invites all diocesan altar servers to a special Mass at Arundel Cathedral. The occasion will offer an opportunity to celebrate and thank servers for their service to our parish communities. The Mass for Altar Servers is for all those who have served, all those who are serving, and anybody who would like to serve - all are very welcome to attend. Please bring a cassock/cotta or an alb, if possible. Holy Mass will be followed by light refreshments. Please bring a packed lunch. Please contact Fr Aaron to confirm attendance and numbers E: aaron.spinelli@abdiocese.org.uk Poster attached for use in your parish.

New WhatsApp channel for news from the Diocese

Created especially for members of our family of faith who don't use other social media but would like to stay up to date with news from the Diocese, a new WhatsApp channel has been launched. News is shared there regularly and WhatsApp channels don't have comments or replies so are very safe spaces. No one who isn't in your phone's address book can see your membership or activity there. Click here to subscribe:

whatsapp.com/channel/0029VbDWbIR5a241k0Vyff0E

Marriage Anniversaries Mass – Saturday 3 October at Arundel Cathedral

Whether you are celebrating a special anniversary or simply giving thanks for your marriage this year, come and join us for our annual celebration of the joys and grace of sacramental marriage. Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am. There will also be a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows during Mass. This will be followed by a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. Family and friends are very welcome. The Cathedral and Centre are wheelchair friendly. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact Deacon Simon South, Marriage and Family Life Adviser at E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk. To book your free place, you can scan the QR code on the poster or go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events Poster and social tile attached for use in your parish.

External news

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is back in the House of Commons and seeks to legalise assisted suicide. It will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday 11 September. The Church believes in the dignity and value of every human life and urges Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action. This deeply flawed Bill, if passed, could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured to end their lives and risks putting many hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. Please write to your MP to make your voice heard and oppose the Bill, even if you have done so on a previous occasion. The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales (CBCEW) has produced a range of resources for parishes including a poster to encourage Catholics to write to their MPs and a QR code for people to find out more on the CBCEW website. A tile for use on social media is also attached to this email.

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.	<u>Weekly:</u> Fri 7pm (not in Aug next 4 Sept) Wed 9.30am <u>Monthly:</u> 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
Catholic Womens League - All ladies are warmly welcome	Monthly 1 st Tuesday 7.30pm	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