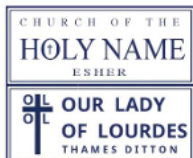


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Newsletter Friday, 2nd October 2026

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Time: Saturday, 3 October to Sunday, 11 th October, 2026			
DAY/FEAST DAY	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday, 3 rd October	5.00-5.15pm 5.30pm	Reconciliation at OLOL Our Lady of Lourdes	People of the Parish
Sunday, 4 th October <i>Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am 11.00am	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes	CJ Kim RIP Paddy, Angela & Family Intentions
	5.30pm 6.00pm	Reconciliation at Holy Name Holy Name	The Yates Family Intentions
Monday, 5 th October	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Graham Watson RIP
Tuesday, 6 th October	9.30am 10-11am	Holy Name Adoration at Holy Name	Tony and Benedict McCaffrey RIP
Wednesday, 7 th October <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	NO MASS 9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Adoration & Rosary only	
Thursday, 8 th October	9.30am	Holy Name	Geoffrey Addley RIP
Friday, 9 th October <i>St. John Henry Newman</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Our Lady of Lourdes Holy Name - Funeral Mass of Anthony Hussey	Sebastian Manzalouie RIP
Saturday, 10 th October	5.00-5.15pm 5.30pm	Reconciliation at OLOL Our Lady of Lourdes	
Sunday, 11 th October <i>Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am 11.00am	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes	Rafael Vazquez RIP Margaret, Angela, Simey & Family Intentions
	5.30pm 6.00pm	Reconciliation at Holy Name Holy Name	People of the Parish

PARISH RETREAT TOMORROW (Saturday 3rd October 10-15pm at Holy Name)

Thank you to all who have signed up to join us tomorrow. If you have not registered for this event but would like to pop in for part of it, please feel free. The theme is "Strengthening Faith and Passing it on" led by Sister Hyacinth who is the Prioress of a Dominican Priory in the New Forest. Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided on the day. This event is free but contributions on the day are welcome. The agenda is on posters in Church and can be found here: <https://holyfamilyelbridge.church/upcoming-events/>

MASSES AT HOLY NAME AND OLOL

Fr Ruslan has now taken over as our parish priest and will be responsible for the pastoral welfare of the churches of Walton, Esher and Thames Ditton. Between now and the end of the year he will alternate weekend masses between Walton and our two churches and celebrate all weekday masses. On the weekends he is with Walton, we have a mixture of supply priests – mainly Fr Benny and sometimes Fr John. Discussions are still being had to decide on timings of the weekend masses from the new year. We will keep you informed of any conclusive decisions made.

WELCOME LEAFLETS FOR OLOL

There are welcome leaflets, with regard to respectful participation in Mass, available at OLOL this weekend. Respectful participation in Mass is a responsibility shared by the whole congregation and it is important that everyone feels welcome and is able pray and participate in the celebration of Mass. Please take a copy home.

BAPTISM THIS WEEKEND

Congratulations to the Sherman family as we welcome their son Albert into the Church at Holy Name this weekend.

WEDDING

Congratulations to Charlie Chris and Tiffany Loera who will be married at Holy Name on Thursday 8th October.

HEALING SERVICE – 11th October

All are welcome to a **Healing Service** on Sunday, 11th October at 4pm. This is being arranged by the local churches and will take place at St Nicholas' Church in Thames Ditton.

100 CLUB WINNERS – September

1st Prize Keetje Gull, 2nd Prize Rosemary Cleary, 3rd Prize Roger Thorns

SERVING AT THE ALTAR

One of the great things about our community at OLOL is the involvement of so many of our young people as altar servers. They not only help Mass to run smoothly but they help the whole community to focus in prayer and to celebrate our faith. Being a server helps them to join actively in the prayer and to grow in self-confidence. They gradually learn about the mass and take more responsibility (including caring for younger servers). Whether a child who has just made their first communion or a youngster who feels ready to get involved now they are older, all will be made very welcome and they will soon feel an important part of a team. So if you'd like to be involved, or just to find out more, please contact our Parish Master of Ceremonies, Bernard Godwin (bgodwin17@yahoo.com), or drop your details into the office. The first meeting for prospective new servers will be on Friday 9th October from 5.30 until 6.30pm.

SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

If you require Fr Ruslan to sign your school forms please leave them with either parish office to sign and leave a phone number in case he wishes to contact you and we will call you when it is ready for collection. Please ensure it is not left until the last minute in case we cannot turn it around in time! If you need a Certificate of Catholic Practice please download the form here

<https://holyfamilylmbridge.church/app/uploads/2026/09/Certificate-of-Catholic-Practice-CCP-Arundel-Brighton-Sept-26.pdf>

CONFIRMATION 2027

This year the Confirmation programme for Holy Name and OLOL will be run at the St Erconwald's in Walton, and will be for school year 10 (rising 15 year olds). To register please complete this form and return it to them by Sunday 11th October <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/-/forms/olswnnr3> Please state on the form that you are a member of OLOL Thames Ditton or Holy Name Esher

BIBLE STUDY GROUP – Fortnightly on a Wednesday, 10am at OLOL

Bible study group will restart on Wednesday 23rd September at 10am at OLOL and will run fortnightly. Any questions please contact Nina 07518 902914

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers to lead the Bereavement Support Group at OLOL. Training starts early next year. Please contact the OLOL office if you are interested.

ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS - 7th, 13th October, 3rd November

St Paul's Catholic Primary School in Thames Ditton will hold open mornings on the above days. To register your interest please email info@stpauls-thamesditton.surrey.sch.uk

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE – Next meeting Tuesday 6th October, 7.30pm at OLOL

All are welcome. Coffee, cakes, raffle (prizes welcome). RSVP margaretvonspeyr@gmail.com

BISHOPS INAUGURATION - Monday 19th October

Our new Bishop Stephen Wang will be inaugurated at Arundel Cathedral later this month. It will be live streamed. Link and details to follow

CAFOD FAST DAY

Family Fast Day for CAFOD this weekend. Envelopes and contactless will be available at the back of the Church this weekend

YOUTH

FUN FRIDAY - Primary school-aged children and their families | Once a term | 3:30–5:00 pm | OLOL

THIS AFTERNOON!

Come along for a fun and welcoming Thanksgiving-themed autumn afternoon with crafts, games, snacks and our new tuck shop! It's a lovely opportunity for primary school-aged children and their families to come together, have fun and enjoy time with friends from school and the wider parish community. Everyone is warmly welcome — bring your friends and family along!

FAITH IN ACTION - Years 6–13 | OLOL Youth Space

We were delighted to welcome so many new families to our Faith in Action programme this past weekend! Faith in Action is a wonderful opportunity for young people in Years 6–13 to grow in their faith, meet together and discover more about living out their faith in everyday life. If your young person would like to join us, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch at youth.etd@abdiocese.org.uk.

First Reflection Session - Save the Date!

Saturday 14 November 2026 - 3:30–5:00pm | OLOL

Candidates are warmly invited to stay afterwards for Mass at 5:30pm and to take part in the service.

ADOREMUS 2026 – An Invitation to Our Young Parishioners

On **Saturday 10 October**, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales will celebrate **Adoremus 2026**, the National Eucharistic Congress, in London. Adoremus is an opportunity for Catholics across England and Wales to come together and renew our love and devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist. We would particularly like to invite our **young parishioners** to join us for the evening celebrations at Westminster Cathedral. The **6pm Holy Mass is open to all**, followed by a series of **Holy Hours at 8pm, 9pm and 10pm**, led by youth ministry teams from Westminster, Southwark and CYMFed. It promises to be a wonderful opportunity to pray together, spend time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and join with young Catholics from across the country in celebrating our faith. Please get in touch at youth.etd@abdiocese.org.uk if you are interested.

FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH CLUB - Secondary school-aged young people | Monthly | 7:00–9:00 pm | Holy Name

A relaxed space to meet friends, have fun and explore faith. Inspired by the vision of our new Bishop, Fr Stephen Wang, this year we'll use the new Sycamore prayer exploration programme to help young people discover different ways of praying and explore what prayer can mean in their everyday lives. This Friday, 25 September, we'll begin with an introduction to the year and our first theme: **The Prayer of Adoration, Praise and Worship**. Come along, bring a friend, and join us for our first session!

PARISH OF WEYBRIDGE UPDATES

Weybridge parish representatives gathered on 7th September at Addlestone to discuss how our communities can work more closely together while supporting our clergy. Representatives from Esher and Thames Ditton shared key lessons from managing their churches during their priest's illness, demonstrating how laity can step up to handle day-to-day operations. This allows priests to focus on their primary calling: the sacraments, preaching, and pastoral care.

Key parish progress

- New finance committee: it is actively operating, with representatives from each of the parish communities. They have now met three times
- Property: A third-party property survey is underway across all churches to identify future maintenance needs
- Formation: A new parish formation strategy is being developed
- Website: The project to roll out a new website with new photography has started

Together, these steps will help build a more resilient, prayerful, and mission-focused parish community. The next Representatives meeting will be in early January.



SOCIAL

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – Thursday 22nd October at Holy Name

Straight after the 9.30am Mass. All are welcome, delicious homemade cakes, bring a friend

SCHOOL OF JOY QUIZ NIGHT AT HOLY NAME – Saturday 28th November

MONTH OF THE ROSARY: OCTOBER

Mary appeared to St. Dominic (founder of the Dominican Order) and gave him the Holy Rosary as a spiritual means of converting sinners. As the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is on October 7, the Catholic Church dedicates the month of October to the Marian advocacy of Our Lady of the Rosary. We are encouraged to pray the Holy Rosary daily for the needs of the Church. Beginning Sunday, 4th October throughout this month, one decade of the Rosary will be recited before the start of Sunday Masses.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER – FOR MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

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>

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	Holy Name in Lady Chapel
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	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 Wed 9.30am Monthly: 1st Saturday 9.30am 1st Monday 7.30pm (weekly during May & Oct)	Holy Name OLOL 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: Nina 07518 902914	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 Women’s 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