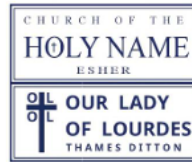




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Newsletter 30th October, 2026

ALL SAINTS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On All Saints Day, the Gospel gives us the Beatitudes. Jesus goes up the mountain and tells the crowds who is truly blessed: the poor in spirit, those who mourn, the gentle, the merciful, the peacemakers. It is easy to think of saints as people in stained glass windows, a world away from us. But most saints were ordinary people who lived these words quietly: a parent who kept their patience after a sleepless night, a grandparent who prayed for the family every day, someone who said sorry first after an argument, a friend who simply sat with someone who was grieving.

Today we give thanks for all of them, including those we have loved and lost. Jesus doesn't say "blessed are the perfect". He says blessed are those who try to show mercy and make peace. That means each of us is invited to be a saint, at home, at work and here in our community. So let us live as brothers and sisters in Christ, remembering that holiness and love go hand in hand: the more freely we share His love with those around us, the more we grow in holiness ourselves.

With my prayers and best wishes,
Fr Ruslan

Mass Time: Saturday, 31 October to Sunday, 8 November, 2026			
DAY/FEAST DAY	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTION
Saturday, 31 st October	5.00-5.15pm 5.30pm	Reconciliation at OLOL Our Lady of Lourdes	People of the Parish
Sunday, 1 st November <i>All Saints</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes Reconciliation Holy Name Holy Name	Sandra Rossi, RIP Fr Sebastian Paul's Intentions Brian Scully, RIP
Monday, 2 nd November <i>All Souls</i>	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	C. J. Kim, RIP
Tuesday, 3 rd November	9.30am 10-11am	Holy Name Adoration at Holy Name	Holy Souls
Wednesday, 4 th November <i>St. Charles Borromeo</i>	NO MASS 9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Adoration & Rosary only	
Thursday, 5 th November	9.30am	Holy Name	Derek & Hilda Parsons, RIP
Friday, 6 th November	9.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Souls
Saturday, 7 th November	10.30am 5.00-5.15pm 5.30pm	Holy Name Reconciliation at OLOL Our Lady of Lourdes	Bereavement Mass People of the Parish
Sunday, 8 th November <i>Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>(Remembrance Sunday)</i>	9.00am 11.00am 5.30pm 6.00pm	Holy Name Our Lady of Lourdes Reconciliation Holy Name Holy Name	Natalie & Alf Ferrara, RIP Margaret Scully, RIP

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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>

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER – The Proper Use of Wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

NOVEMBER – HOLY SOULS

BLESSING OF GRAVES – Monday, 2 November at 11am

Fr. Ruslan will be at Long Ditton Cemetery, 92 Rectory Lane, Long Ditton, KT6 5HW on Monday, 2 Nov at 11am to bless the graves. Please meet at the Cemetery if you wish to join Fr. Ruslan for this. He will then be at Molesey Cemetery at 12 noon.

HOLY SOULS ENVELOPES - Praying for the Holy Souls

During the month of November there will be a basket placed in front of the altar for the month of November to place the names of all those deceased loved ones we commend to God's mercy. There will be Masses for the intentions of Holy Souls as follows:

Holy Name : Tue 3rd Nov at 9.30am & Sun 22nd Nov at 6pm

Our Lady of Lourdes : Fri 6th Nov at 9.30am & Sun 22nd Nov at 11am

Special Holy Souls Mass envelopes are available in the porch/narthex for this purpose.

However, if you would like a separate mass said for a deceased relative or friend please follow the usual route of booking it through either parish office.

MASS FOR THE BEREAVED – Saturday 7th November, 10.30am at Holy Name

Our annual parish Mass for the Bereaved will take place on Saturday 7th November at 10.30am at Holy Name. All are very welcome to attend and there will be an opportunity to light a candle for deceased loved ones. Tea, coffee and cake afterwards.

LITURGY OF LIGHT – Thursday 12th November, 7.30pm, at OLOL

A respective service, Liturgy of Light will take place on the evening of Tuesday 11th November. All are very welcome to attend and there will be an opportunity to light a candle for deceased loved ones. Tea, coffee and cake afterwards.

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 – TUESDAY, 3rd NOVEMBER

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge

WEDNESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER - 7.30pm - Meeting in the Church Hall with coffee and cakes with Raffle

FRIDAY, 6 NOVEMBER – after 12pm Mass, lunch in aid of PACT

A representative from PACT will be present to talk about the work they do with prisoners and their families. The Catholic Womens League is open to all women and is a wonderful way to make contact with other women in the Parish.

TAIZÉ EVENING: THURSDAY, 5th NOVEMBER, 7pm at HOLY NAME

A short service of meditative and reflective prayer, combining periods of silence, readings from Scripture, and Taizé music based on Psalm.

ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT DAYS IN THE DIOCESE

Grow in faith, build friendships, and find your community! Young adults aged 18–35 are invited to join the Youth Team from the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton for Young Adult Retreat Days at churches across the diocese. Each day offers two guest speakers, a choice of workshops, a shared lunch, and time for prayer, reflection, and fellowship with young adults from beyond your own parish.

Retreat days are currently available :

7 November at St Richard's Church Chichester,

23 January 2027 at Arundel Cathedral,

20 February 2027 at St Joseph's Church Guildford and

10 April 2027 at Christ the Prince of Peace Church Weybridge.

Come along, deepen your faith, and meet other young adults on the journey.

Booking available via the Arundel & Brighton Diocese website: [Events](#) | [Our Diocese](#)

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO CANTERBURY – FRIDAY, 13th NOVEMBER

We are delighted to announce our next Parish Pilgrimage to Canterbury. 8am leaving from Christ The Prince of Peace car park and returning at 7pm. Price: £35 per person includes coach and entry to Canterbury Cathedral. The day will include the opportunity to view the Shrine of St Thomas with relics that have survived the Reformation before 12pm Mass at St Thomas of Canterbury Church.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow Mass. Lunch will be eaten in the Parish Hall before heading to the main Cathedral. Our visit to the Cathedral includes a group visit to the shrine of St Thomas Becket. After this, there is free time for pilgrims before leaving at 5pm. Please bring a packed lunch with you.

Contact the Parish Office if you would like to join. Payment to be made to the CPP Bank Account :

• Account Name: RCD of A&B Weybridge • Sort Code: 40 – 05 - 20 (HSBC) • Account Number: 8107 7201
Reference PARISH PILGRIMAGE:

SPELTHORNE ORCHESTRA FUNDRAISER – ST. ERCONWALD'S CHURCH – SUNDAY, 15 NOVEMBER AT 3PM

The Spelthorne Orchestra, a wonderful local orchestra, is delighted to return to St Erconwald's on Sunday, 15 November at 3pm. They will play Mozart's 40th Symphony and other works. Funds raised will be for St. Erconwald's Church restoration fund and the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes next year. All funds raised will go towards the St Erconwald's Maintenance and the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund. Tickets @ £10 per adult. Children free; on sale at St Erconwald's Church after 09.15am and 11.15am Masses.



TABLE WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP – SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER AT OLOL FROM 3-5PM.

Create your own beautiful festive table wreath. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served. Cost £30 per person. Please email germainegillman017@gmail.com by 16 November to secure a place.



CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP – SATURDAY, 5 DECEMBER AT HOLY NAME FROM 9.30AM

Cost £45 per person includes all materials, mince pies and mulled wine. Contact mariakwei72@gmail.com
Places are limited so please book early.

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FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH CLUB

Secondary school-aged young people | Monthly | 7:00–9:00 pm | The Church of the Holy Name

THIS FRIDAY, 30 October, we'll continue our journey with Seven Ways to Pray. Prayer doesn't have to involve perfect words or special feelings; it begins simply by making time for God and being honest with Him.

Come along, bring a friend, and join the discussion as we explore how prayer can become a more meaningful part of our everyday lives!

FAITH IN ACTION

Years 6–13 | OLOL Youth Space

We're delighted to welcome so many new young people to our Faith in Action programme this year! As part of our community outreach this Advent, we'll be supporting Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child, preparing shoebox gifts filled with new toys, school supplies, personal care items and a special gift to bring joy, hope and the love of Jesus to children in need around the world. We warmly welcome donations from parishioners, whether monetary contributions or new items for our shoeboxes. Every gift, big or small, makes a difference! Find out more: [How to Pack a Shoebox](#) Donation boxes will be available in the narthex at both Holy Name and Our Lady of Lourdes until 14 November. Thank you for helping us spread the joy of Christmas!

First Reflection Session - Saturday 14 November 2026 2:30–5:00pm | OLOL. Candidates are warmly invited to stay afterwards for Mass at 5:30pm and to take part in the service.

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY - 22nd November | Holy Name

World Youth Sunday celebrates the important role young people play in the life and mission of the Church. This year is especially significant as we mark the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi, with Pope Leo XIV declaring a *Year of St Francis* until January 2027.

We will celebrate Mass at Holy Name on Sunday evening, 22 November, the Feast of Christ the King, and warmly invite all young people across the Parish of Weybridge and their families to join us as we celebrate our young people and their place in the Church.

We'd love our young people to take an active part in the Mass! If you would like to volunteer to read, sing with the choir, altar serve or welcome parishioners as a greeter, please get in touch.

Pizza, games and fellowship to follow in the church hall!

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
Take Time 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 2pm to 4pm	Holy Name
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 Thu 5 Nov Then Thu 3 Dec	Holy Name 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