

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF AYLESBURY

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 Streaming Link: <https://www.churchservices.tv/aylesbury> (All Masses at St Clare's are streamed)
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5 th Sunday Ordinary Time	Mass Times and Location	Intention
Saturday 7th February <i>2nd collection Church heating</i>	09.15 at OLOL 18:00 at St Joseph 18:00 at OLOL	Adoration and Confession after Mass Albin & Susmitha thanksgiving Anandraj Theodore Birthday (RIP)
Sunday 8th February <i>5th Sunday in ordinary time</i> <i>2nd collection Church heating</i>	08:00 at OLOL 09:30 at St Joseph 10:30 at OLOL 11:15 at St Joseph 11:30 at St Clare	Parish Deceased of the Collins family Children's liturgy, Tea & Coffee after Mass Parish Zaneta Filipowska RIP Children's Liturgy
Monday 9th February	09:15 at OLOL 10:15 at St Joseph	Geoff Cox Birthday Sean McCann RIP
Tuesday 10th February <i>St Scholastica</i>	09:15 at OLOL 10:15 at St Clare	Lizzie and David Engagement Bob Collins RIP
Wednesday 11th February <i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	10:15 at St Joseph 18:30 at OLOL Feast Day	Divine Mercy 18:00 OLOL Milburn & Osterfield families Sr Bernadette feast day
Thursday 12th February	18:30 at OLOL	Adoration and Confession after Mass Sue O'Leary RIP
Friday 13th February	09:15 at OLOL 10:15 at St Joseph	Benediction and Novena Benediction and Confession after Mass Mary Parmley RIP Deceased family/friends McSorley family
Saturday 14th February <i>St Cyril</i> <i>St Methodius</i>	09.15 at OLOL 18:00 at St Joseph 18:00 at OLOL	Adoration and Confession after Mass Margaret Robinson RIP anniversary Immacolata Iannone RIP anniversary Deceased members Weldon family
Sunday 15th February <i>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	08:00 at OLOL 09:30 at St Joseph 10:30 at OLOL 11:15 at St Joseph 11:30 at St Clare	Children's liturgy, Tea & Coffee after Mass Children's Liturgy Frank & Francis RIP anniversary

Tuesday 10th February 19:00h Legion of Mary. St Clares
Prayer group. The Prayer Group meets on Tuesday 10th February 2026 at 19:00h at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Ash Wednesday – 18th February

Ash Wednesday is a Holy Day of Obligation. Please note the times for Ash Wednesday Masses are as follows:

OLOL 09:30h and 19:00h
 St Joseph 10:00h and 12.30h
 St Clares 19:30 hrs

Welcome. Fr Derek, Fr Beirne and Fr White who will help celebrate Masses this weekend.

Legion of Mary meetings take place every Wednesday at 19:00h – at OLOL Church. If you would like more information about the Legion, please contact Mary Philpott at marykitephilp@gmail.com

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held on the following days/times over lent:

St Clares Wednesday 7.30pm from 25th February
 St Joseph Fridays 09.45 from Friday 20th February
 OLOL Friday 5.30pm from Friday 20th February led by the Readers

Popes Prayer Intention for February 2026

For children with incurable diseases
 Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

Funerals:

Our Sympathy lie with the following:
The Maloney Family on the death of Teresa. Funeral service to be held Monday 9th February, 11am at Bieron Crematorium.

The Slater family on the death of Cathleen. Funeral service to be held on Thursday 12th February at St Clares Church at 11:00h, followed by burial at Tring Road cemetery.

The Fitzpatrick family on the death of Cynthia. Funeral service to be held on Tuesday 17th February 12 Noon at St Clares Church, followed by cremation at Bieron crematorium.

The Daggart family on the death of Susan. Funeral details to follow.

May they rest in peace.

Walking in the Holy Spirit (Fanning into Flames)

The Northampton Charismatic Diocesan Services of Communion (CDSC) invite parishioners to take part in *Walking in the Holy Spirit (Fanning into Flames)* — a four-part monthly online series exploring how the Holy Spirit shapes, strengthens, and sends us out as disciples of Christ. Each Zoom session offers accessible teaching and practical encouragement to deepen our relationship with the Holy Spirit and grow in confidence in everyday Christian life. **Sessions run from 7.00–8.30pm on Tuesdays:**

- **17 February** – *Growth* – Fr Emmanuel Okami
- **17 March** – *Bonding* – Speaker to be confirmed
- **16 June** – *Empowerment* – Charles Whitehead
- **14 July** – *Mission* – Maria Heath

All are welcome. More information:

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/walking-in-the-holy-spirit/>

Job opportunity. Northampton Diocese

The Diocese are currently recruiting three Property Area Coordinators, each responsible for the maintenance, compliance, and performance of a defined portfolio of properties within an allocated geographic area of the Diocese. The role ensures that buildings are safe, legally compliant, well maintained, and fit for mission and ministry, while providing support to parishes, clergy, and diocesan stakeholders. This is a full-time, 12-month fixed-term contract, with the possibility of extension or becoming permanent. As each role covers a different part of the Diocese, three area-specific Job Descriptions are available, and candidates should review the one relevant to their preferred location. The closing date for applications is Friday 7 March 2026. Interview dates will be confirmed in due course; however, we reserve the right to close the advert early should we receive a sufficient number of applications. Full information for the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs> All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to: hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org

Our Lady of Lourdes SVP will meet this Sunday 8th of February, after the 10:30 am Mass. The venue is the side room in the church hall.

Collections

STJC 1st Collection **£1216.04** Electronic **£167**
OLOL 1st Collection **£587.07** Electronic **£219**

Eucharistic Minister training

If you are a Eucharistic minister or are interested in being one, there will be a course run over 3 Mondays that all Ministers should attend. The dates are 2nd, 9th and 16th March at OLOL Parish Hall from 7pm – 8.30pm.

Information for Confirmandi

You are going to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, at your Confirmation, and all the blessings that follow. You have been going along to church and doing some sessions to help you prepare and understand Confirmation a bit more. As part of this journey, hundreds of young people are getting together for Blaze. Blaze gives you, and others from across your local area, the opportunity to come together and cement all you've explored in your own confirmation programmes. There's going to be drama, music, workshops, prayer and Mass with the Bishop. There's plenty to do and see, including a chance to get into groups and have a meet and greet with Bishop David. It's a good chance to ask questions about Confirmation, the Church, and God.

Date: 23rd May 2026, Venue: St Michael's Catholic school, Aylesbury, Time: 11am – 4pm Cost: £13 (please bring lunch)

Booking is essential. Please visit <http://nymo.org/blaze-2026/>

Catechists required

STJC are looking for Catechists to help run the first Communion and Reconciliation programme for our children. The commitment (between October and May) is one Saturday afternoon, twice a month, for approx. 2 hours, and one evening once a month. If interested, please contact felicity on felicityrs@yahoo.co.uk

Church Cleaners at St Joseph

Having a clean church is a necessity to ensure that we have the right environment for Mass and other celebrations. Our cleaning teams at St Joseph's has diminished in number and they need more support. Please can you spare a couple of hours, just once a month to help clean the church. Please email the Parish office or speak to Fr Jais if you can help.

Please pray for the sick of our Parish

Sr Anne Marie, David Rust, Fr John Fleming, Chris Payne, Jon Chesterton, John Paul Hutton, Immaculata Hallright, Walter Lally, Kathleen Foot, Annette East, Fr Michael Turner, Henry O Callaghan, Mary Philpott, Denise Roberts, Angelica Kanyuchi, Anthony Keddilty, Rhiannan East, Narvé Dearon, Jim O'Sullivan, Dave Short.

We are still looking for

A money counter for St Joseph/St Clares, Helpers after 11.30 Sunday Mass at St Clares, Social committee members OLOL and STJC. Please contact the Parish office or speak to Fr Jais

Coming up....

OLOL feast day	11th February
Lux weekend	13-15th February 2026
Lourdes Pilgrimage	16-20th February 2026
Ash Wednesday	18th February 2026
CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday	27th February 2026
Confessions before Easter	26th March 2026
First Reconciliation	09th May 2026
First Communion	OLOL 16th May 2026
First Communion	STJC 13th June 2026