



THE HOLY FAMILY

The Holy Family Church

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29th & 30th November 2025 – First Sunday of Advent – Year A



Be Vigilant, Our Salvation is Near

Opening Prayer

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

Brief Reflection

In the First Reading, Isaiah describes a vision of the future where God's house is exalted, drawing people from all nations to seek His instruction. It foretells a time of universal peace, when swords and spears are transformed into farming tools, and nations no longer engage in war. The reading invites us to live in humility and obedience, walking in the light of the Lord.

St. Paul, in the Second Reading, urges believers to live with a sense of urgency, recognizing that salvation is near, and to put aside sinful behaviours. Like the Romans, St. Paul reminds us to clothe themselves with righteousness, faith, and love, living honourably as in the light of Christ rather than in darkness.

The Gospel compares the coming of the Son of Man to the days of Noah, when people were unaware until the flood came and swept them away. It emphasizes that Christ's return will be sudden and unexpected. Therefore, we are urged to stay vigilant, live righteously, and be always prepared for Lord's coming.

Baptism this weekend - Alexander

May God bless you on your special day and every day that follows.

Your prayers please

Please pray for John Moore RIP, who died on Saturday night 22nd. Please also pray for his family and loved ones at this time. The family wish for his funeral mass to be in Holy Family.

Confirmation 2026

Please keep checking the newsletter. Information to follow soon.

Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund

£130 was donated. Thank you.

Holy Family School Advent Mass 5th Dec

Advent Mass at 9.00am in church. All welcome.

Parish open meetings/Inauguration Mass of the new parish

In the last week, there have been three open meetings at which parishioners met the Moderator Elect Fr. Chris Spain and others to hear about the plans for the new parish. An Information Document has been prepared which summarises the key points which were shared at those meetings. For those receiving the newsletter by email, a copy is attached, and a printed copy will be put on the notice board. We invite you to take the time to look at this and see what the plans are. Our focus is prayer, formation, and mission - the foundations of renewal in the Church today. Prayer keeps us rooted in God; formation shapes us as disciples; and mission sends us forth to serve others in love. You are all invited to join Bishop Richard Moth and our clergy in the Mass of Inauguration of the new parish, at **6pm on Sunday 7th December, in Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge. All are welcome.**

Please pray for God's blessing on our new parish, and all parishioners. Best wishes, Adam

Christmas Raffle

Our parish social committee will be selling tickets for our Christmas raffle from this weekend. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Warm Hubs

A network of Warm Hubs has been set up across Surrey. Please see leaflet in porch for more info.

Friends of St. Augustine's Christmas Fair

Saturday 6th December 2 -4.30pm at the Home, Simplemarsh Road, Addlestone KT15 1QR. There will be a Raffle, Tombola, Gift Stall, Book Stall and teas/coffees and mince pies. Everyone welcome, please come and show support. Any money raised will be used to provide entertainment and outings for the Residents.

Signing of Primary School Forms

Please leave SIF forms in the tray in Our Lady Chapel after Mass. You must be known to Fr. Graham and be attending Mass regularly in the parish for forms to be signed. They can be collected after Mass from the same area once signed and stamped. Closing date: 15th Jan 2026.

Mass Intention at the Christmas Season

In many parishes priests receive mass requests and Cards to sign. We arrange as best possible to ensure these mass intentions are honoured. Some masses may be celebrated in Salesian Community. Where this is not possible, we ask to arrange the offering and intention be transferred to Salesian Provincial House/Mission Office, whereby the mass will be celebrated in Bolton. If you so wish, we can guide your offering and intention to be

celebrated by **Missio**: a mission priest, or as arranged by the Missio Office London. Your donation then becomes your support of the work of Missio. *God bless you* and thank you! Fr. GF.

Sacrament of Confession and Reconciliation

Weekly on Saturdays 5.15pm – 5.45pm.

Weekday Masses

Every Wednesday at 9.30am at Holy Family.

Every weekday (except Wed.) at 9.30am at St.

Anne's Church, Chertsey & 10am on Saturdays.

Holy Family School Admissions Sept '27

Whilst Holy Family School tends to be oversubscribed, we welcome applications from all Catholic families. To ensure the admission process is fair to all Catholic families, please register your child by completing an Evidence of Attendance form, which can be found at the back of the church. Once completed, put it in the office post box and you will be given a unique number, enabling you to sign in each time you attend mass.

Offertory for last weekend - £915.00

Safeguarding Officer Mrs Catherine Cassin – Please contact Catherine should you have a concern.

Parish Centre To hire please view our website or contact the office, for further information.

Hearing Aid Loop An induction loop is provided for Hearing Aid users. Please switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

Facebook Page Please follow our Facebook page for updates on parish activities, newsletters and more.
<https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilychurchaddlestone>

Contactless Machine Please feel free to make your donation via the contactless machine before mass or during the offertory whilst the basket is being passed round. Your donation can also be Gift Aided.

Standing Order Please support our parish by setting up a standing order.
Acc. Name: RCD A&B The Holy Family Addlestone
HSBC plc, 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY
Account No: 21126415 Sort code: 40-05-20

Mass Intentions

Date	Intention	Liturgical Day
Saturday 29 th November 18.00	People of the Parish	First Sunday of Advent
Sunday 30 th November 10:00	Seamus & Breda Moloney RIP	First Sunday of Advent
Wednesday 3 rd December 9.30	Cecelia Boyle RIP	St Francis Xavier, Priest
Saturday 6 th December 18.00	People of the Parish	Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday 7 th December 10:00	Thank you Mass for our church volunteers	Second Sunday of Advent