



THE HOLY FAMILY

The Holy Family Church

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21st / 22nd February 2026 – First Sunday of Lent



Christ, the Second Adam

Opening Prayer

Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. 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

The First Reading shows the intimacy of God's creation, as He forms man from the dust and breathes life into him, placing him in a beautiful garden filled with provision and purpose. The serpent's deception reveals how doubt and temptation can distort trust in God's goodness, leading to disobedience. Together, these passages highlight both the dignity of humanity and the tragic consequences that follow when humans choose autonomy over obedience.

St. Paul, in the Second Reading, highlights the contrast between Adam and Christ, showing how sin and death entered the world through one man, but grace and life come through another. It reminds me that humanity's brokenness is not just individual but deeply rooted in a shared fallen nature. At the same time, the passage offers powerful hope, emphasizing that Christ's obedience is greater than Adam's disobedience, bringing justification and new life to all who receive His grace.

Matthew, in the Gospel, shows Jesus facing temptation in the wilderness, yet responding to each challenge with trust in God and the truth of Scripture. Unlike Adam and Israel, who failed in moments of testing, Jesus remains obedient and

faithful. This passage reminds me that temptation is real, but through reliance on God's Word and strength, it is possible to stand firm.

Diocesan Administrator

Canon Jonathan Martin is appointed our administrator with full authority and powers. He has been Vicar General for the last 10 years.

Baptisms

Blake, Darla, Mollie and Eleanor will be baptised this weekend. May God bless you on your special day.

Children's Liturgy

Please note there will be no Children's Liturgy this weekend. We look forward to welcoming the children back after half term.

School Lent Mass - Friday 27th Feb at 9am

Please join us for the school mass. All welcome.

Fr. Graham wishes The Holy Family to start an Alpha group

Please contact him in church after Mass, if you're interested. Thank you!



Confirmation

The programme for Holy Family applicants will commence on 24th February 6pm-7.30pm in the Holy Family Parish Hall. There will be a break during the Easter holidays.

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day Collection 1st March

This Lent, live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in times of drought. Collect a CAFOD envelope to bless others with your support, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10. Please see Eva after mass if you wish to tap to pay by card

Eucharistic Ministers

We are looking for Ministers to serve on both Saturdays and Sundays. If you can help, we'd be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Nicky.

First Holy Communion Dresses

Beautiful preloved, freshly laundered, First Holy Communion dresses available to view after masses. Discretionary donation to the Holy Family School PTFA.

E-mail Subscribers

We're receiving an increasing amount of bounce back e-mails when sending the weekly newsletter, informing that the recipient's inbox is full. If you aren't receiving the newsletter, please free up your account.

On a separate note, if you know Monique Cuevas, please ask her to contact the office. Thank you.

Mass Intentions

If you would like a Mass intention, please collect an envelope from the back of the Church. Please provide a contact number in case your chosen date has already been requested. If your required date

isn't available, a Mass may be offered at Salesian Community Chapel in Chertsey instead.

Sacrament of Confession and Reconciliation

Weekly on Saturdays 5.15pm – 5.45pm.

Weekday Masses

On Wednesdays 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 £877.00. Thank you.

Safeguarding Officer Mrs Catherine Cassin – Please contact Catherine should you have a concern.
sgl.addlestone@abdiocese.org.uk

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 21 st February 18.00	People of the Parish	First Sunday of Lent
Sunday 22 nd February 10:00	Lilian Nichols RIP	First Sunday of Lent
Wednesday 25 th February 9.30	John Quinlan RIP 20th Anniversary	Wednesday of the 1st week in Lent
Saturday 28 th February 18.00	People of the Parish	Second Sunday of Lent
Sunday 1 st March 10:00	Breda Signorelli-McDonagh Int	Second Sunday of Lent

Masses to be said at Salesian Community Chapel

25th February – Adrian McHugh RIP

28th February – Anne Gaye RIP

Church of The Holy Family in the Parish of Weybridge