



THE HOLY FAMILY

## The Holy Family Church

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**25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – Fourth Sunday of Easter**



*The Good Shepherd*

### **Opening Prayer**

Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before.

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, Peter the Apostle boldly proclaims that Jesus Christ is both Lord and Messiah, confronting the crowd with the truth of their actions. The people's response shows the power of conviction and the beginning of true transformation through repentance. It reminds me that God's grace is always available, inviting me to turn, be renewed, and live a changed life.

In the Second Reading, Peter the Apostle points to Jesus Christ as the model of patient suffering, showing how enduring injustice with faith can be meaningful before God. Christ's willingness to bear sins and respond without retaliation reveals a deeper kind of strength rooted in love and trust. This passage challenges me to respond to hardship with grace, remembering that through his wounds we are healed and brought back to God.

In the Gospel, Jesus Christ describes himself as the Good Shepherd who knows and protects his sheep, contrasting his care with those who seek to harm or mislead. This image emphasizes trust, guidance, and the personal relationship he offers to each follower. It reminds me that true life and security are found in listening to his voice and following his path.

### **Prayers please**

We continue to pray for Lucy Brophy RIP, whose funeral will be on Friday 8th May at 2pm in Holy Family Church.

Keith Orridge RIP and Paul Smythe RIP whose funerals will take place during the next few weeks.

### **World Day of Prayer for Vocations - The Education of Future Priests**

There will be a collection this weekend.

### **Baptism Applications**

Thank you to the families who attended the preparation courses and have shared your wishes for dates and times for Baptism. Fr. Graham and the office will be in contact to confirm what is possible during the next week ahead.

### **Gerry Briody SDB**

Salesian Provincial is on visitation during this weekend and the week ahead. He looks forward to visiting Holy Family Parish.

### **Gift Aid Scheme - 2025/26**

Your annual Gift Aid letters for the Tax Year 2025/2026 are ready for collection in the porch. Thank you for your generous donations and support of our parish, without which the work of the church would be so much more difficult. If you currently don't Gift Aid, are eligible and would like to, please liaise with Catherine Cassin, our Gift Aid organiser.

### **Saintly Stuffies Raffle**

The Social Committee kindly requests donations of good quality, clean, soft toys over the next few weeks for our upcoming Saintly Stuffies Raffle. Donations can be left in the box at the back of the church, in the porch. Thank you.

### **Lawn Cutting Rota**

We are looking for 1-2 volunteers to join our church lawn-cutting team. The commitment is once every 12 weeks and we would greatly appreciate your help in caring for our grounds. If you're able to assist, please contact Catherine.

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May - Sainly Stuffies Raffle**

Adopt a teddy, support our parish. Raffle tickets £2.50 (prize every time) and win a saintly named teddy. Teddy tea, cake and adoption certificate included for children in the hall after mass. Please join this fun activity and support our parish.

### **Diocesan Recruitment**

Due to expansion of the Schools Singing Programme (SSP), the Diocese are seeking to recruit a Choral Director who will work within the Diocesan Education Service and alongside two existing Choral Directors. They will be responsible for the SSP in our diocesan schools in Surrey. For further info. [www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/choral](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/careers/choral)

### **Eucharistic Congress – London – Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> Oct**

It is confirmed by the Catholic Bishops of England & Wales that the next Eucharistic Congress will take place in London. The day will start with Holy Mass followed by a procession with the Blessed Sacrament. There will be various events throughout the day. More details to follow soon.

### **Volunteers needed - Young Adult Retreat Days**

Would you be interested in being a small group leader, refreshment maker or prayer minister at our

diocesan Young Adult retreats? Arundel and Brighton Diocese are looking to run Young Adult retreat days for those aged 18-35 across the diocese. Each will be a day of Faith, Fellowship, Formation and Food! If you're 18+ and are interested, email [bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk)

### **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** £919.00 Thank you.

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- Safeguarding Officer** Mrs Catherine Cassin – Please contact Catherine should you have a concern. [sg1.addlestone@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:sg1.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.  
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### **Mass Intentions**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Intention</b>	<b>Liturgical Day</b>
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 20.00	Cordial Windsor Family RIP	St Mark, Evangelist
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 10:00	People of the Parish	Fourth Sunday of Easter
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 9.30	Peter & Beezie Kearney Int	St Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor, Patron of Europe
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 18.00	People of the Parish	St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 10:00	Organ Donor Families	Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Church of The Holy Family in the Parish of Weybridge**