Responding together to the love of Christ~
Holy Family Church Addlestone in the Catholic Parish of Weybridge

Twenty-Seventh Sundays Supplementary
4th October and October Month 2026

A Christian community inspired by the Salesian ideals of Saint John Bosco

Sunday Masses (Vigil) 6.00pm and 10:00am **This weekend we issue information on the Registration Evenings for First Communion through the 'St Anne's Programme.'**

If your child attends Holy Family School you do not need to apply for this 'St Anne's Programme.' First Communion Programme on-line Forms

The special on-line Newsletter is now available on St Anne's Chertsey and Holy Family Addlestone websites. From 1st October the Link is live until 30th October. This application on-line is the first of two requirements for families seeking to apply for children's First Communion this 2026-2027.

First Holy Communion Programme 2027 – St Annes & Holy Family

Families who are resident in our two parishes with children (in year 3 and above) wishing to make their First Holy Communion in Summer 2027 will need to attend one of the parent registration evenings during October, this will be in addition to the on-line forms to be completed. These on-line forms and registration evenings are both required.

The dates of the registration sessions are Tuesday 6th,13th, 20th and 27th October at 7.00 p.m. in St Anne's Church, one parent- or both- needs to attend one of the sessions.

During the session there will be details of the commitment you as a family will be making by registering for this programme. Parents will be asked to volunteer to lead the sessions. Without volunteers the church will have to limit the number of candidates for the 2027 programme. You will have the opportunity to register your child for the programme, please bring your child Baptism Certificate to the registration evening.
Please see note in next column about Baptism Certificates

Once you have made the commitment to the St Anne's Worshipping Community you will be invited to the parents' information evening in November 2026 when you will be given full details of the programme.

If you have any questions regarding the programme please email FHC.chertsey@abdiocese.org.uk or call Theresa Rudley 07742 649580.

Please note; this programme is not for Children attending the Holy Family Primary School where FHC catechesis is provided for those children.

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Baptism Certificates and FHC applicants

Fr Graham will need to see the parental baptism certificates in many cases.

If your child is being applied for FHC and Baptism, your child requires child catechesis at two levels, and the parents also. 'Whole family catechesis' requires information sent to be sent by parish priest to Diocese, as in previous years.

If your child is baptised in Church of England or is baptised Orthodox, you are most welcome to apply but parental baptism evidence, then parental Reception Certificates will be called for. Your child will be entered into the Reception process, once the parents have similarly applied for Reception into the Catholic Church.

Other baptismal traditions: for the parents they must also show certification of Baptism and parental preparation and then Reception Certificates will be called for.

The normal procedure across the whole Catholic Parish of Weybridge and guided by Diocese, is that 12 months or more of RCIA involvement and education of the parents (above), and a year of regular worship within 'this community' by those parents and children takes place before those parents and children are Baptised and/or Received into the Catholic Church.

Thank you to a number of parents within our worshipping community who have entered this process during the year May 2025- September 2026

Enquiries for these topics go to Theresa but parents also must make an appointment during October with Father Graham chertsey@abdiocese.org.uk
The best way to start is by meeting Fr Graham after Sunday mass, and following his advice from there.

Thanks for applying for this preparation for your children