



THE HOLY FAMILY

The Holy Family Church

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25th/26th March 2023 – 5th Sunday of Lent



Lazarus, Jesus Friend, is raised to Life.

Opening Prayer

Merciful God, you showed your glory to our fallen race by sending your Son to confound the powers of death.

Call each of us forth from sin's dark tomb. Break all the bonds that hold us, so that we may believe and proclaim Christ, the cause of our freedom, and the source of life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Introduction to the readings

In the first reading, the prophet Ezekiel sees the exile of the chosen people in Babylon as a sort of death and their return home as a resurrection and spiritual renewal.

St Paul tells his Roman converts that 'just as it was the Spirit who raised Jesus to life now that same Spirit lives in us too.'

In the Gospel of John, by raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus shows us that he is the Lord of Life and death.

Holy Week Services:

1st/2nd April: Palm Sunday weekend Mass with the blessing of Palms, 6.00pm Saturday and 10am Sunday

5th April Wednesday 9.30am Mass

6th April Holy Thursday 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and Washing of the Feet, followed by watching at the Altar of Repose till 9.30pm

7th April Good Friday 11am Our Ecumenical Churches Together
3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion

8th April Holy Saturday 8.00pm Easter Vigil

9th April Easter Sunday 10.00am Mass

Maundy Thursday – Washing of the feet

Fr. John's has requested 12 Parishioners to come forward to have their foot washed by him at the Maundy Thursday evening Mass.

The tradition shows the **selfless love Jesus had for people** and comes from traditions in biblical times of washing the feet of guests that got dirty on the walk to their destination.

Please reply to the office by Friday 31st March if this is something you are willing to partake in.

Altar Servers Needed– Good Friday 3pm

Volunteer Servers for the 3pm Good Friday Service are needed. If your child is available, please contact the office asap. They will be required from 12 noon to practice for approx. 30 minutes.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation Reconciliation

Holy Family School FHC children will have their First Confessions after the 10am school Mass on Friday 5th May. Other FHC children and Confirmation Candidates will be after the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday 6th May.

Volunteers - To launder Albs

We would be grateful for volunteers to launder the Albs (Altar server's gowns). For more information, please contact the parish office.

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Help Needed

Eva DeGraaff has very kindly offered to deep clean the kitchen cupboards and fridge in the parish centre and would like assistance of two others to help. It should only take 1 hour with 3 people. If you could spare an hour of your time, please e-mail the office -

addlestone@abdiocese.org.uk

Items to sell

The parish is looking for someone who would be willing to sell a couple of items on Facebook Market Place or similar for us which are currently in storage. It would entail taking a couple of pictures and marketing the items. If you're able to help, please contact the office. Thank you.

Mental Health Training

The Diocese is pleased to be able to offer a range of courses to empower anyone involved in ministry to walk alongside those who struggle with mental health issues. We are delivering MHFA England Accredited Awareness, Champion and First Aid Courses in a variety of locations as well as online to make them accessible for everyone. Suitable for Catechists, Welcomers, Ministers of Consolation, in fact anyone who speaks to anyone else in the community! Attached is a summary of the programme with booking links. The next course is Mental Health First Aid (Adult) which is running both on-line, in April and in person, at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley. For more information formation@abdiocese.org.uk or go to the diocesan website events calendar W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

Volunteers Required

Parish Centre Coordinators (x2)

The Parish Centre is an important part of the Parish. We require at least 2 volunteers who will be helping with light tasks, including diary management and overall coordination. Please kindly get in touch with the Parish office via email, should you need further details and / or are interested in volunteering.

Mass intentions

If you would like a Mass intention, please collect an envelope from the back of the Church. Please provide a contact telephone number in case your chosen date has already been requested, so we can discuss an alternative date with you. If your required date isn't available a Mass can be offered at Salesian Community Chapel in Chertsey instead.

Offertory

The collection total for last weekend including contactless and standing orders was £855.50. Thank you.

Entry into Holy Family School 2024

Holy Family School is significantly over-subscribed each year. With demand so high and 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'll will be given a unique number, enabling you to sign in each time you attend mass.

Newsletter	Please sign up to receive our newsletter via e-mail by sending a request to the office.
Parish Centre	To hire please contact the office, for further information.
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 during the Offertory whilst the basket is being passed round.
Standing Order	Please support our parish by setting up a standing order. Acc. Name: RCD A&B The Holy Family Addlestone Account No: 21126415 Sort code: 40-05-20 HSBC plc, 69 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EY

Mass Times

Date	Intention	Liturgical Day
Saturday 25 th March 18.00	People of the Parish	The Annunciation of the Lord
Sunday 26 th March 10.00	Jose & Candida Lopez RIP	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Wednesday 29 th March 9.30	Cecelia Boyle RIP	Wednesday of the 5th week of Lent
Saturday 1 st April 18.00	Nora & Joe O'Callaghan RIP	Palm Sunday
Sunday 2 nd April 10.00	Ann Gaye RIP	Palm Sunday

Masses to be said at Salesian House

Geraldine Hogg Tuesday 28th March 23