

# The Holy Family Church

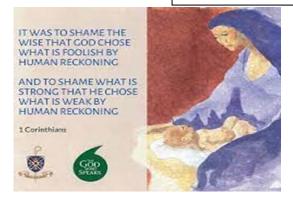
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28th/29th January 2023 – 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A



God chooses the weak and foolish to show the power and wisdom of God.

### **Opening Prayer**

God our Father, teach us the hidden wisdom of the Gospel, so that we may understand that you choose the foolish and the weak by human reckoning to shame our pride and arrogance. Help us always to hunger and thirst for what is right and to experience the Blessings of your Kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

### **Introduction to Readings and The Gospel**

The prophet Zephaniah consoles the powerless remnant of Israel who are invited to trust in God and not in themselves.

St Paul writing to the Corinthians reminds them that God chooses not the celebrities or the powerful smart set but the humble of heart to show up the power and wisdom of God in Christ. St Matthew gives us a pen portrait of Jesus, who was poor in spirit, meek and humble, who comforts those who mourn, a peace maker and who is persecuted for the cause of right. This is the sign of the Kingdom of God.

### Children's cartoon:

https://youtu.be/2bMaL8zquNA

The Happiness of the Kingdom

### **Upcoming Events.**

Royal Holloway University Sung Candle Mass with the Choral Scholars, 5<sup>th</sup> February University Chapel at 7.30pm.

After School First Communion Club starts Wednesday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **CAFOD Coffee Morning donations for 2022**

The coffee mornings are held in the Parish Centre after the 10am Mass on Sunday mornings. As well coffee, we also serve tea, hot chocolate, and biscuits.

We have just sent the last of the money which was donated by parishioners to CAFOD during 2002. This was £360 and together with previous donations makes a total of £660 in 2002. We reopened, after Covid, in February, and attendance, increased gradually since then. Please come and have a cuppa and a chat among friends.

Thanks. Teresa and Kieran

### Parish Pilgrimage – Salisbury Cathedral

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Salisbury Cathedral is one of the finest ancient English Cathedrals. It has the highest spire in England and which dates from 1310 and is set in beautiful gardens. St Osmund was the Bishop of Salisbury and the Cathedral is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We would aim to leave the parish Car Park, sharing cars by 9.30am on Saturday morning, travel down to Salisbury and use the park and ride service and aim to start our tour by 12 noon. We would hope to have Mass in the Cathedral and then have time to enjoy the space or for the more adventurous to climb the 332 steps to the top of the tower, at the base of the spire. We would finish in the Cathedral tearoom and aim to get back by 5.30pm.

Entry to the Cathedral is £9.00 per head and £5 for students.

Everyone welcome, especially our Confirmation Candidates

#### St. Vincent de Paul Luncheon

We've had a wonderful response to our SVP luncheon invitation and we're very much looking forward to hosting and welcoming you. Please note that this event is now full to capacity. If you weren't able to join us this time, please look out for our afternoon cream tea invite in the summer. Best wishes from the SVP Team.

## **Preparing for Baptism and Confirmation**.

Any Adults who are interested in preparing for Baptism or Confirmation or being received into full Communion in the Catholic Church, please let the Secretary know so we can begin the Journey of Faith process. addlestone@abdiocese.org.uk Any Year 10 students who are interested in being Confirmed as Catholics should contact the Parish Secretary so we can begin the process of preparation. You will need evidence of Baptism and First Holy Communion.

### The Hope Hub Update

Just a brief note to thank everyone who has donated to The Hope Hub and to those who have volunteered their time and efforts into making the group a continued success.

After a positive 6-week trial with 6 girls we were thrilled to say we could continue on with the group. We are now up to 12 girls who are engaging beautifully and appear to be finding the group a great support and place of comfort for them. We just hosted our 11th week which is so positive and rewarding to us as volunteers. We would love to thank the parish for letting us use the parish centre to enable as to run this fabulous community project. Should you have any enquiries about a space or should you wish to volunteer. Please reach out to

Christina McCourts at the.hope.hub@outlook.com

### **Car Share Request**

We have one volunteer for this request, please may we have one more.

We have a parishioner and her daughter who are unable to get to Mass on a Saturday evening at 6pm who live in Green Lane, Addlestone. If you feel as though you can help once a month, please contact the office. Thank you.

### **Entry into Holy Family School 2024**

Holy Family School is significantly oversubscribed 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.

### Offertory

The collection total for last weekend including contactless and standing orders was £680.50. Thank you.

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 28th January 18.00	Jean Wilkinson RIP	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor
Sunday 29th January 10.00	Mundupalackal Augusthy Varkey RIP	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time
Wednesday 1st February 9.30	Patricia Moore RIP	Wednesday of week Five Ordinary Time
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> February 18.00	Josephine Delaney RIP	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 10.00	David Martin Int	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Septuagesima)

### Masses to be said at Salesian House

Peter McCabe RIP and Family Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023