

Programme Dates

First Confession & First Holy Communion 2026

St John the Baptist RC Church, Purley

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2026

Saturday 10 January	Introductory Meeting for Parents <i>Every Candidate to be represented by one parent, if possible this should be a Catholic parent. Please <u>avoid</u> bringing children if you can.</i> 4pm in the Parish Hall
Sunday 11 January	10.00 Enrolment Mass – Candidates and families
Candidates attend classes with one parent – a Catholic parent whenever possible. Try to avoid bringing siblings, to ensure that each candidate has quality one-to-one time with a parent.	
Saturday 17 January	Lesson 1 @ 11am-12.30
Saturday 24 January	Lesson 2 @ 4.15-5.45pm
Saturday 31 January	Lesson 3 @ 11am-12.30
Saturday 07 February	Lesson 4 @ 4.15-5.45pm
14 & 21 Feb	H A L F T E R M
Saturday 28 February	Lesson 5* @ 11am-12.30
Saturday 07 March	First Confessions @ 4.15pm
Saturday 14 March	NO CLASS
Saturday 21 March	Lesson 6 @ 4.15-5.45pm
Sunday 22 March	10.00 Mass with Commentary – Candidates and families <i>The candidates will have special roles such as reading, taking the collection etc. More information on 10th January.</i>
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Saturday 18 April	Lesson 7 @ 11am-12.30
Saturday 25 April	Lesson 8 @ 4.15-5.45pm
02 May	NO CLASS – BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND
Saturday 09 May	Lesson 9* @ 11am-12.30
Sunday 10 May	10.00 Mass with Commentary – Candidates and families <i>The candidates will have special roles such as reading, taking the collection etc.</i>
Saturday 16 May	Lesson 10* @ 4.15-5.45pm
23 & 30 May	H A L F T E R M
Saturday 06 June	Confessions @ 4.15pm
Friday 12 June	Rehearsals 4.30 – 5.30 for FHC Mass on Sunday 14 June 5.30 – 6.30 for FHC Mass on Saturday 13 June
Saturday 13 June	First Holy Communion Mass @ 3pm
Sunday 14 June	First Holy Communion Mass @ 10am
Saturday 20 June	Lesson 11 @ 4.15-5.15pm <i>This will include a practice for tomorrow's Mass</i>
Sunday 21 June <i>Transferred feast of St John the Baptist</i>	Mass @ 12.00 <i>First Communicants are invited to wear their outfits. Those who attended Lesson 11 will have special roles.</i> Followed by a party!

* There are special requirements for these Lessons, which will be explained at the meeting on 10th January.