Welcomers
We are always looking for welcomers to greet people before Mass and to give out the children's activity sheets, hymn books and Missals. Welcomers should arrive ten minutes before Mass starts.

Please email familymass@catholicchurchharpenden.org.uk if your child would like to help with welcoming.

Altar Servers
Boys and girls who have made their First Holy Communion are invited to train to become altar servers.

Please speak to Canon Anthony if your child is interested in becoming an altar server.

Readers
Children, who are confident readers, accompanied by a parent or carer, are invited to give the second reading. All readers receive training.

Please contact Melanie Armitage, in the parish office, if your child would like to read at Mass.
Email: harpenden@rcdow.org.uk.

Collection
Children, accompanied by a parent or carer, are invited to help with the collection. The collection takes place following the prayers of the faithful. Those doing the collection meet at the font, walk towards the front of the church and bow together, before moving to the front of their aisle and working towards the back of the church, ready for the offertory procession.

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Offertory Procession

Communion Wine and Hosts
Older children are invited to carry the communion wine and hosts.

Collection Bags
Those who have carried out the collection take the offerings to the priest as part of the offertory procession.

Parish Prayer Intentions Book
Children are invited to carry the parish prayer intentions book. The prayer book can be found in the porch and should be carried behind those taking the bread, wine and collection.

A Prayer or Picture Inspired by Scripture
Children are invited to join the procession to present a prayer or a picture they have made, which has been inspired by scripture. These children should join the procession behind the person carrying the parish prayer book.

Nb. Those involved in the offertory procession should present their gift, stand to the side slightly, and wait until all the gifts have been presented, before bowing together to the celebrant and returning to their pews.

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Tidying Away
Children are invited to help put the hymn books and Missals back onto the trolley at the end of Mass and to look around the church for any stray books that need returning.

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