

The Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter



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St. Francis de Sales Mass Streaming Live at www.churchservices.tv/hartley

Sunday 14th February 2021

WELCOME: Welcome to everyone who joins us today. We are open for public Mass and 30 minutes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for private prayer before each Mass.

Livestreaming: <https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley>

For Daily and Sunday Mass Readings, Morning and Evening Prayer, visit <https://www.universalis.com/>

Fr. Patrick thanks everyone for their prayers for his safe return from Ghana on Wednesday morning. He is isolating before having the Test to Release on Monday 15th. All being well, he will be celebrating Mass again from Wednesday 17th. Fr Joe and Fr Uchenna will cover our Masses in the meantime. **Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 17th February. There will be Distribution of Ashes at 9.30 am Mass.** Please book for Mass via the website or call the office. If you cannot come to Mass and would like to receive Ashes on Wednesday, please come along to the presbytery between 10.30-4.30pm.

Guidance on attending Mass: Please read the information on the parish website for up-to-date guidelines to follow if you choose to come to Mass. 2 metres social distancing is in place throughout the church and doors and windows will be open to ensure the church is well ventilated so **dress warmly if you choose to come to Mass.**

Book for weekend Mass via the website, or by calling the office. It is not necessary to book for weekday Mass.

Thanking our Stewards: Our public worship has been made possible only because of the sacrifice made by our stewards. over these many months. We are very grateful to them all.

Reading at Mass and Stewarding: Please contact the parish office if you are willing and able to add yourself to the list.

Stations of the Cross, led by parishioners and live-streamed, will take place weekly during Lent beginning Friday 19th February at 7 pm. Anyone willing to help to lead the stations contact Phil Kerton for further details, cpkerton@yahoo.com

Parish Lenten Talk by Zoom, Tuesday 23rd February at 7 pm: At one with the Living God. An invitation to gather via zoom for a talk to be given by Gemma Simmonds, cj., Director of the Religious Life Institute in Cambridge, well-known in this country and abroad for her talks on the life of prayer. 'Many people struggle to know how to pray, but prayer is within everyone's reach. This Lenten webinar explores questions about prayer and developing your relationship with God'. For the link please contact Kate Whittaker kags52@btinternet.com before 21st February. For more details contact Anne Inman at anneinman@btinternet.com.

News from Our Lady of Hartley School: During this time of partial school closure, we include the link for you to view our latest news. Click <https://www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk/stream/newsletters/full/1/--/>

This week's Diocesan 2nd Collection for Poor Parishes - formerly the Needs of the Diocese Collection- enables the Archbishop to make grants to parishes in the diocese.

Our Next Parish Council Meeting via zoom will take place on Thursday 18th February 2021 at 7pm. If anyone would like us to consider any issues, please contact the parish office or email hartley@rcaos.org.uk, for the attention of 'St. Francis de Sales Parish Council'.

Annual World Day of Prayer service will be live streamed from St. Francis Church on Friday 5th March at 11 O'clock.

Community support: Looking forward in faith and hope to the future, we are looking for Parishioners who would be willing to help in setting up several social and support groups. The hope is to reach out to all ages and stages of our congregation, from Mothers and Toddlers through to our Young People, and also the Isolated and Bereaved. Our Parish Meeting Room has been under used for some time, and is the ideal gathering place for such groups. If you would be interested in helping to form any of these groups, **Please contact carolwilton0@gmail.com**

Thank you for your support to the parish: your ongoing financial support is vital to meet the running costs of the presbytery and the upkeep of the church building.

Methods you can use to support the parish financially:

(i) Bank Standing Order Download a Pledge Form from the website or pick one up at the church. Fill in the details and return the form to the parish office and to your bank

(ii) Gift Aid Envelope Download a Gift Aid Declaration form from the website or pick up a copy from the church, fill in your details and return it to the parish office. You will be assigned a box of envelopes for this taxyear.

(iii) Online Bank Donations to the Parish Bank Account Nat West Bank **Acc: St. Francis de Sales. Account no. 34143580 Sort Code: 60-06-33** Please note as *Offertory*.

(iv) JustGiving Click on the JustGiving link and follow the instructions to donate. Note your donation as *Offertory*. <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stfrancisdesaleshartley>

(v) Cash OR Cheque to St Francis de Sales. Thankyou. **Try 'easyfundraising':** Just start your online shopping first at **easyfundraising**, nominate The Oratory of St Francis de Sales Hartley as your charity then shop as normal. The parish will receive a small donation.

Mass Intentions: If you would like someone to be prayed for please write the details on a Mass Intention envelope. This should include the name of the person, the intention, and if possible, the day and Mass time preferred. Please post your intention at White Friars or drop it in the Collection basket when you come to the church. All Mass intentions would be published in the Parish Newsletter.

We pray for Rhianna, a deceased child, and for her family.

Anniversaries occurring at this time: Laura Amor

We pray for Patsy Goodman, our former parishioner, who spent the last week in Torbay Hospital after suffering a severe heart attack. Patsy came home on Thursday, although on the mend, she is still poorly and the nurses have said it could take many weeks for her to recover fully. Patsy and her family very much appreciate your prayers and the candles that have been lit for her. If you would like to contact Patsy through her daughter Olwen, please call the parish office for details.

We pray for the well-being of Mary Naguib

Intention Prayers: Every week, the name of the person/s in each Mass Intention will be placed in the special frame on the stand over by Our Lady of Hartley Shrine.

Baptism for babies and infants: Please contact Fr. Patrick for advice and guidance on how to proceed.

Parish Database: We are updating the database for our Records. Please take a form from the church or download from the website and return it to the parish office.

Emailing Newsletter to Parishioners: please contact the office if you wish to receive the Newsletter in this format.

Parish Newsletter: to suggest articles/additions or notices contact the parish secretary Jane: hartley@rcaos.org.uk

Parish Facebook: The Newsletter is posted weekly along with relevant information, daily devotionals & children's resources: www.facebook.com/StFrancisDeSalesHartley
Visit the [God Who Speaks website](http://www.godwhospeaks.com) a wonderful repository for all kinds of resources to help you explore the Bible.

Prayer Resources: <https://pray-as-you-go.org/index.php>
<https://www.crosswalk.com/devotionals/your-daily-prayer/>
<http://www.wednesdayword.org/schoolindex.htm>

Serving the spiritual and mental health needs of children & young people in a time of pandemic. A Leaflet produced by the RCAOS Education Commission and the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis. Please visit their website for helpful resources <http://www.aec.rcaos.org.uk/>

The Pope's Prayer Intention for February: We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

Act of Spiritual Communion: My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as being there already and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

The church will be open for the following services only, until further notice.
ALL SERVICES CONTINUE TO BE LIVESTREAMED <https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley>

Saturday 13th February

Feria OR The Blessed Virgin Mary

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	5.00-5.30pm 5.30 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish
Sunday 14th February	08.00-8.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	08.30am	Mass For Rhianna– forever remembered (Ravi)
Day for the Unemployed	09.45am-10.15am 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Well-being of Mary Naquib (Bridie)
Monday 15th February	No Mass	
Tuesday 16th February	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Laura Amor, deceased. (Carol)
Wednesday 17th February	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass with Distribution of Ashes
Ash Wednesday	Ashes will be distributed during the day from the presbytery 10.30 am-4.30 pm	
A day of fasting and abstinence		
Thursday 18th February	8.45 am-09.30 am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Friday 19th February	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am 7.00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Stations of the Cross (closed to the public) Livestreamed
Saturday 20th February		
First Sunday of Lent (B)	5.00-5.30pm 5.30 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Sunday 21st February	08.00-08.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
First Sunday of Lent (B)	08.30 am 09.45-10.15am 10.15 am	Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish

For a newsletter emailed weekly, or to suggest articles/additions, contact the parish secretary: hartley@rcaos.org.uk
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