

The Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter



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Parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StFrancisDeSalesHartley

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

21st February 2021

WELCOME: Welcome to everyone who joins us today.

We are open for public Mass and private prayer

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

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

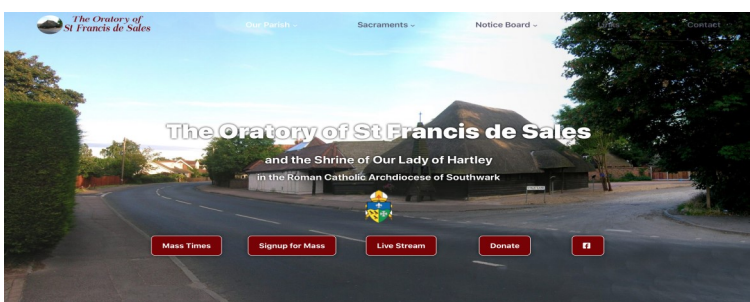
Fr. Patrick has ended his isolation period and has resumed celebrating Mass.

Reflections: Fr. Patrick's Reflections will be posted on the parish Facebook and website on weekdays after the morning Mass and on weekends after the 10.15am Mass on Sunday.

Congratulations We welcome into our parish community Sydney Fox who was Baptised on 20th February 2021

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jim Regan, beloved father, who died recently. Please remember Louise and Carl, Phoebe and Poppy in our prayers at this time.

Please pray for the wellbeing of Tina Shirley.



Our New Parish Website is launching soon

We are delighted to announce that we are in the final stages of development and testing our newly designed website and it will be launched very soon. The new website will be faster, more user-friendly and designed to operate on any device such as mobile, tablet, personal computer. More details will follow in next week's newsletter.

Guidance on attending Mass: Please read the information on the parish website regarding the opening of churches and up-to-date directions to follow if you choose to come to Mass.

Extra health and Safety measures have been put in place: 2 metres social distancing is in place throughout the church and doors and windows will be open to ensure the church is ventilated so **dress warmly if you choose to come to Mass.**

Booking for weekend Mass: Please book for Sat/Sun Mass via the website, or by calling the office.

Reading at Mass and Stewarding: We are very grateful for all our volunteers. Please contact the parish office if you are willing and able to add yourself to the list.

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. <https://www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk/stream/newsletters/full/1/-//>

Stations of the Cross, led by parishioners and live-streamed, will take place weekly during Lent on Fridays at 7 pm.

Friday 26th February: Jim and William "A Scriptural Way of the Cross."

Parish Lenten Talk by Zoom, Tuesday 23rd February at 7 pm. 'At one with the Living God'. This is an invitation to the whole parish to join together via zoom for a talk to be given by Gemma Simmonds, cj. Gemma is 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

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

Community support: 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. If you would be interested in helping to form any of these groups, 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. We will receive a small donation each time you make a purchase.

Mass Intentions: If you would like someone to be prayed for please write the details on a Mass Intentions 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.

For your Special Occasion, Birthday, Anniversary please let Fr Patrick know so we can pray for you as a parish community.

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: Contact Fr. Patrick for the necessary advice and guidance on how to proceed.

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

Emailing Newsletter to Parishioners: If you wish to receive the Newsletter in this format, contact the office.

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

Prayer Resources: <https://pray-as-you-go.org/index.php>

<http://www.wednesdayword.org/schoolindex.htm>

<https://www.crosswalk.com/devotionals/your-daily-prayer/>

The Faith Companion - A Catholic magazine for parishioners Our purpose is to educate parishioners by revealing the teaching of the Catholic Faith in a simple to understand clear way supporting the lay, priests and religious. www.thefaithcompanion.co.uk

Serving the spiritual needs of children & young people in a time of pandemic. <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.

Prayer for the Nation: We are encouraged to make time for daily prayer at 6pm especially for health workers and carers

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 20th February

Morning: Saturday after Ash Wednesday

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| First Sunday of Lent (B) | 5.00-5.30pm 5.30 pm | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish |
| Sunday 21st February | 08.00-8.30am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer |
| First Sunday in Lent (B) | 08.30am 09.45am-10.15am 10.15am | Mass Intention of Matthew, Claire, Katy and Sydney Fox Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Jim Regan, recently deceased (Louise) |
| Monday 22nd February <i>Chair of St. Peter, Feast</i> | No Mass | |
| Tuesday 23rd February <i>Feria</i> | 08.45-09.30am 09.30 am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Wellbeing of Tina Shirley |
| Wednesday 24th February <i>Feria</i> | 08.45-09.30am 09.30 am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Wellbeing of Tina Shirley (Kate) |
| Thursday 25th February <i>Feria</i> | 8.45 am-09.30 am 09.30 am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass |
| Friday 26th February <i>Feria</i> <i>Lent Fast Day</i> | 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 27th February <i>Weekday of Lent</i> | | |
| Second Sunday of Lent (B) | 5.00-5.30pm 5.30 pm | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass |
| Sunday 28th February | 08.00-08.30 am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer |
| Second Sunday of Lent (B) | 08.30 am | Mass |
| 2nd Collection CAFOD | 09.45-10.15am 10.15 am | 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
 Newsletter items received after 11 am Friday may not be included that week. The Editor reserves the right to edit articles.
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