

The Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter



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To make a Bank Donation: St. Francis de Sales Nat West: Acc: 34143580 sort code: 60-06-33

Parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StFrancisDeSalesHartley

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

14th March 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/>

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 10.15 am Mass on Sundays.

Fr. Patrick's Lenten talk on Friday 19th March: year of St. Joseph: Lessons from the life of St. Joseph.

To view the Lenten Talk, all you need to do is go to the Parish website at <http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk/> and then click on the **Live Stream** button on the main page. This will take you to the live Stream for the session. If you are there a little early, it is no problem, the stream will start automatically for you.

Please pray for Tina Shirley who has had surgery recently.

Happy Mothers' Day: To our mothers, near or far, we give joyful thanks. We ask Mary, our Blessed Mother, to watch over all mothers, now and into eternity.

Happy 8th Birthday to Tatyana Assam on the 16th March.

First Holy Communion 2021 Group: Parents who would like their child to commence their First Holy Communion 2021 preparation should download the FHC Application Form from the parish website or pick up a copy from the church. Please Email the completed form to the parish secretary at hartley@rcaos.org.uk or post it through the door at White Friars by Wednesday 31st March 2021 at the latest. Thankyou **Stations of the Cross**, led by parishioners and live-streamed, will take place during Lent on Fridays at 7 pm. Thanks to Kate and Jennifer for leading the Stations on Friday 12th.

Friday 19th March: Fr. Patrick's Lenten Talk, NO Stations.

Guidance on attending Mass: Please read the information on the parish website and as the doors must be kept open for proper ventilation during Mass, please **remember to dress yourself and family warmly if you choose to come to Mass.**

Booking for weekend Mass: You can book using the parish website, or fill a Booking slip at church or by calling the office.

News from Our Lady of Hartley School: It was so nice to see the joy on the children's faces on Monday as they greeted their friends after such a long time apart. As the week has progressed, the children have settled back into school life remarkably well and we would like to commend them on their wonderful attitude and conduct. Today, we were invaded by wizards, superheroes and villains to mark the end of a week of activities celebrating the joy of reading. A special well done must also go to the staff who really have excelled with some of their creations! To view our latest news <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/our-lady-of-hartley-catholic/UploadedDocument/68b39387c11e4663be2fc31628aa874a/120321.pdf>

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS TO MEET LIVESTREAM COSTS

2021. Thank you for all donations received so far. As we have seen, our livestreaming has become an important tool in evangelisation and indeed a vital outreach for so many in these times, those in our own parish who cannot attend Mass, and for many people in places beyond even this country. Our running costs payable to Churchservices.tv for this year will be £1,328.40. Costs to the service provider Plusnet will be around £30 per month. If you can support the parish with these costs, please mark your donation 'Livestream 2021'. **If you donate to the parish using Gift Aid, please add your GA number along with your donation.** Similarly, if you are a taxpayer, please consider Gift Aiding your donation as we can claim a further 25%. Gift Aid declaration forms are on the table in the porch. Thank you all for your generosity.

On average, our monthly Expenditure is £3,200.00, this includes building Insurance, council tax, utilities to both the church and presbytery, food and household, Diocesan Assessments, salary, cleaning products, etc.

In the year since the first closing of our church doors due to the pandemic, our average monthly income has been reduced by half. We are very grateful to all of you who are able to keep up your financial support to the parish during these difficult times. Your support is vital and if you are not yet able to return to Mass but would still like to keep up your weekly or monthly contribution, please consider:

(i) **Bank Standing Order** Please download a Pledge Form from the website or pick one up at the church. Fill in the form and return to White Friars. Standing Order is not a binding contract and you may cancel at any time. You can increase or decrease your monthly contributions at any time to suit your circumstances.

(ii) **Gift Aid Envelope** Download a Gift Aid Declaration form from the website or pick up a copy from the church

(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 for instructions www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stfrancisdesaleshartley

(v) **Cash OR Cheque to St Francis de Sales. Thankyou.**

CAFOD LENT APPEAL A reminder that you can continue to donate to the Appeal for funds to provide access to clean drinking water throughout Lent - and afterwards. The simplest method is to use a credit or debit card, at: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-CAFOD/Lent-Appeal>

Do you shop Online? Try 'easyfundraising': Simply start at www.easyfundraising.org.uk nominate The Oratory of St Francis de Sales Hartley, and we will receive a donation!

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

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 www.thefaithcompanion.co.uk Visit for a free read online!

Would you like to Celebrate, Live and Share the Bible? Visit www.godwhospeaks.uk website, a wonderful repository for all kinds of resources to help you explore the Bible.

Prayer for the Nation: We are encouraged to make time for daily prayer at 6pm, at this time we remember especially all health workers and carers, all who are sick, for all those who have died recently and all the faithful departed.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March: Sacrament of Reconciliation. 'Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God'.

Prayer before Mass O God, to whom every heart is open, every desire known and from whom no secrets are hidden; purify the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily praise your Holy name.

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 March

Morning: Feria

Fourth Sunday of Lent (B) <i>Laetare Sunday</i>	5.00-5.30pm 5.30 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Healing and strength for all our sick parishioners
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Sunday 14th March Third Sunday of Lent (B) <i>Laetare Sunday</i>	08.00-8.30am 08.30am 09.45am-10.15am 10.15am Mass	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass For all mothers in our parish and throughout the world
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Monday 15th March No Mass

Tuesday 16th March <i>Feria</i>	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
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Wednesday 17th March <i>St. Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland, Feast</i>	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am Mass	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Winnie Connelly, Deceased, In thanksgiving for a great life (Angela)
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Thursday 18th March <i>Feria</i>	8.45 am-09.30 am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass John Harding, deceased. (Tony and Valerie)
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Friday 19th March <i>St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of the Universal Church, Solemnity</i>	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am 7.00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Deceased Brothers and Knights of St. Columba (Patrick) Fr. Patrick's Lenten Talk: 'Lessons from the life of St. Joseph' This event will be Livestreamed
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Saturday 20th March

Morning: Feria

Fifth Sunday of Lent (B)	5.00-5.30pm 5.30 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Colin Toulson, Deceased, 1st Anniversary. (Karen)
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Sunday 21st March Fifth Sunday of Lent (B)	08.00-08.30 am 08.30 am 09.45-10.15am 10.15 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish
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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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