

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

28th 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/>

Confessions on Saturdays 4.50-5.20pm and on weekdays

Tuesday-Friday 8.50-9.20am. No confessions on 3rd April.

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.

Congratulations to John and Doreen Horwood on celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday 27th March.

Please pray for the continued wellbeing of Maura Wojdyla and for John Forsey who is recovering from surgery.

Stations of the Cross: Thank you to Carol and Kate for leading the Stations on Friday 26th March.

Easter Offering to Fr. Patrick Envelopes are available in the church porch. Alternatively, you can use Bank Standing Order, to the parish Nat West Account 60-06-33 Acc 34143580, please reference your donation as 'Easter Offering'. Thankyou

BOOKING FOR TRIDUUM SERVICES AND EASTER SUNDAY

Online booking opens Sunday 28th March 12 noon. Please follow the instructions on the parish website or contact the parish office to book a place. Times of Services are as follows:

Maundy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm

Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord 3.00pm

Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 7.00pm

Easter Sunday 8.30 am and 10.15 am

Changes made to Holy Week Services: On Palm Sunday there will be NO Procession. On Maundy Thursday, there will be NO Washing of feet, NO procession to the Altar of Repose, NO 'Watching'. On Good Friday, NO physical Adoration of the Holy Cross. At the Easter Vigil, NO procession into the church. For further guidance, please visit the Bishops' Conference website www.cbcew.org.uk

Our 2nd Collection this weekend will be taken for the Easter Altar Flowers.

Diocesan Collection for Holy Places associated with Our Lord's Passion will be taken on Good Friday, or you can drop it in the collection basket at church when you attend Mass.

News from Our Lady of Hartley School:

We have been enjoying a wide variety of learning activities this week at Our Lady of Hartley. From painting pictures in the style of L.S. Lowry to making nests for some visiting owls. We have even been making anemometers to measure the strength of the wind. It is during springtime that we really appreciate how fortunate we are to have such a lovely setting and grounds here at Our Lady of Hartley – we now look forward to making full use of them for the remainder of the school year! www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk

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 submit the completed form to the parish office by Wednesday 31st March 2021 at the latest. Thankyou.

We welcome Deacon Bartholomew to the parish on Monday 29th March. He has sent us a short introduction of himself:

'I am Rev Bartholomew Senewo from Rivers Nigeria. A Discalced Carmelite, I did my philosophy in Nigeria. Then, I went to Kenya for my theology. After my theology I was ordained deacon for Discalced Carmelite Order, as Deacon I had various pastoral experiences in Nigeria, however, at the beginning of last year I took some time off in order to discern my vocation with the congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans) British Province. Within this period I have had some pastoral experiences at: Spiritan Youth Centre, Salford, Salford Diocese. Pastoral Experience at St Chad South Norwood and St Mary Magdalen Brockley, Southwark Archdiocese, Ss Mary and Modwen Catholic Church Burton on Trent, Birmingham Archdiocese. Presently, I have been appointed to St Francis Hartley to live and work with Fr Patrick Adusei Poku, CSSp, as I continue to discern my vocation.'

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS TO MEET LIVESTREAM COSTS 2021. Thank you to everyone for all your donations. We have received in total £1,245.00. We need approximately £200.00 more to meet our requirement to cover the costs for this year. If you can help, 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.**

Weekly/Monthly Offertory: Donations: In the year since the first closing of our church doors due to the pandemic, our average monthly income has been greatly reduced.

Your financial support is vital for the upkeep of the parish and so if you are not yet able to return to Mass but wish to make a 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.

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 take a form from the church or download a

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

MAGNIFICAT We are pleased to let you know that the digital Holy Week issue is available, free, at the following link: <https://uk.magnificat.net/holyweek>. For subscriptions please visit: <https://catholic-herald.myshopify.com/>

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

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.

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'.

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 March <i>Morning: Feria</i>	4.50pm - 5.20pm	Confessions
HOLY WEEK	5.00 - 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Palm Sunday	5.30 pm	Mass Maura Wojdyla, for continuous wellbeing (Claire)
Sunday 28th March	08.00 - 8.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (B)	08.30am	Mass John and Doreen Horwood, Thanksgiving on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.
(NO PROCESSION)	09.45am - 0.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
	10.15am Mass	Mass People of the Parish
Monday 29th March	No Mass	
Tuesday 30th March	08.45 - 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
	09.30 am	Mass Jose and Maria Bicarregui, deceased (Felin)
Wednesday 31st March	08.45 - 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
	09.30 am	Mass John Forsey wellbeing following surgery
Thursday 1st April	7.00 pm	Mass
The Mass of the Lord's Supper		
Friday 2nd April		
Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)	3.00 pm	The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
Saturday 3rd April		
The Season of Easter		
The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	7.00 pm	Mass
Sunday 4th April	08.00 - 08.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (B)	08.30 am	Mass Ann and Kenneth MacEwan 50th Wedding Anniversary
	09.45 - 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
	10.15 am	Mass Rommel Bernarte, deceased. 1st Anniversary (Lucila)

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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