

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

Join us on <https://twitter.com/sfdhartley> and <https://www.instagram.com/sfdhartley/>

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

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2nd May 2021



WELCOME: Welcome to everyone who joins us today. We are open for public Mass and private prayer. Please continue to follow the guidelines and instructions given by our stewards when you enter the church, thank you.

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

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

Confessions: Saturdays 4.50 -5.20pm; Tues - Fri 8.50-9.20am

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. You can now read them on our parish Instagram and Twitter.

Please pray for Jeannie Healy, recovering from a stroke.

Please pray for Marie Dunne whose 2nd anniversary occurs on 8th May and for Mr and Mrs McDonagh, deceased.

The Requiem Mass for Thea Prentice will take place here on Wednesday 19th May at 11.15am. If you wish to attend the Mass please first contact the parish office. Please remember Thea's husband Edward and their children Daniel, John and Ruth in your prayers. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Parish Youth Choir: Welcoming school children of any age who would like to be part of our Youth Choir. Parents can pick up an application form at the church or download a copy from the Parish Website. Please return it to the parish office. Thank you to all those who have returned forms. **The last day for Application Forms to be returned is Monday 17th May.**

Pilgrim Event at the Shrine - 3.30 pm Saturday May 1st 2021

Click the Livestream on <http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk>

Thank you Reception Class for visiting the church on Friday



News from Our Lady of Hartley School: On Tuesday, we had the pleasure of welcoming Father Patrick back to the school to meet the children and to introduce an exciting new project - the Parish Youth Choir. In turn, each of the year groups were able to join Father Patrick for music and dancing. A very enjoyable time was had by all! Please visit the newsletter section of our website to read about more of this week's activities www.Ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk/

Our 2nd Collection this weekend will go to our **Parish Charity Fund** which helps those who are in urgent need of assistance.

A Parish Talk for Pentecost by Zoom, Friday 14th May at 7 pm. 'The Holy Spirit and the Meaning of Pentecost'

This is an invitation to the whole parish to join together via zoom for a talk by Fr Eamonn Mulcahy, a Spiritan missionary from Manchester. A priest since 1980, he has been on mission in Congo-Brazzaville, Nigeria and Kenya. He has extensive experience of deepening the Faith Formation of Adults in the UK and leading spiritual retreats to lay-people, priests and religious in Europe, North America, Australia, Africa and Asia.



Since the summer of 2013 Eamonn is back in the UK on the Spiritan Team of the inner-city Holy Spirit Parish in Manchester whilst working as one of the Episcopal Vicars for Religious in Salford Diocese. He teaches Systematic Theology one day a week in Oscott College Seminary, Birmingham, and still maintains active involvement in educating street kids back in the infamous slum of Kibera, Nairobi. Eamonn is passionate about communicating the beauty of our Faith and the interface between Scripture, Theology and Spirituality. Join Zoom Meeting at:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81409264844?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81409264844?pwd=dTJjbmdtV3c1cWZoT256eWFWNTUrZz09)

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Meeting ID: 814 0926 4844 Passcode: 247185

'Paying it Forward' My sincere gratitude for your ongoing financial contributions and support to the parish. Your commitment and generous giving of your time, talents and resources, especially in this last year, has made it possible to keep the parish running today, making the work and mission of our parish possible to be realised tomorrow.

Offertory Collections in April: Standing Order£1,939.00

Offertory Envelope: £207.00 Loose change: £65.00

2nd Collections: £268.00 Easter Off: £1,030.00

Please consider setting up a Bank Standing Order Simply 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. NB If you have changed from GA Envelope to Bank Standing Order, you can continue to use your envelope number for 2nd/ Special Collections. If you have forgotten your number, please contact the office.

Parish Gift Aid Scheme 2021-22 Weekly Envelopes: We did not order any new envelopes for this year, so for current envelope users, please take a spare box of GA envelopes from the meeting room, write your number and note 1st or 2nd Collection on the envelope. Thankyou

To join the Gift Aid Scheme download a G.A. Declaration

form from the website or pick up a copy from the church. We will process the form and allocate a number to you.

To make Online Bank Donations to the Parish Bank Account: Nat West Bank **Acc: St. Francis de Sales. Account no. 34143580 Sort Code: 60-06-33** Note as 'Offertory'

(iv) JustGiving (suitable for fundraising and one-off donations) Click on the JustGiving link for instructions www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stfrancisdesaleshartley

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

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 and placed by Our Lady's 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 form from the website and return it to the parish office.

The Agency for Catechesis and Evangelisation are running an online free course 'Life in the Spirit Seminars' beginning Tuesday 4th May 2021. Visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/liss for details.

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

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

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

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

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the month of May: The World of Finance. Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its **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>

Fr. Patrick will be available for Confessions during morning Exposition

Saturday 1st May Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)	<i>Morning: St. Joseph the Worker. Day of prayer for God's blessing on human work.</i> 3.30pm Livestream Event: Prayer Pilgrimage at the Shrine of Our Lady of Hartley 4.50pm-5.20pm 5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Confessions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Mark Preston, Deceased (Sally)
Sunday 2nd May Fifth Sunday of Easter (B) 2nd Collection: Parish Charity Fund for those in urgent need.	08.00 - 8.30am 08.30am 09.45am - 10.15am 10.15am Mass	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish
Monday 3rd May <i>Sts Philip and James, Apostles, Feast</i>	No Mass	
Tuesday 4th May <i>The English Martyrs, Feast.</i>	08.45 - 09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Wednesday 5th May <i>Feria</i>	08.45 - 09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Mr and Mrs Mc Donagh, deceased. (Bridie)
Thursday 6th May <i>Feria</i>	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Jeannie Healy, well-being (Bernard)
Friday 7th May <i>Feria</i>	08.45 - 09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Saturday 8th May Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)	<i>Morning: Feria</i> 4.50pm-5.20pm 5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Confessions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Marie Dunne, Deceased, 2nd Anniversary (Clare)
Sunday 9th May Sixth Sunday of Easter (B) 2nd Collection: Altar Flowers for the month of May	08.00 - 08.30 am 08.30 am 09.45 - 10.15am 10.15 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Kathleen Coyne and Family, well-being (Bernard)

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