Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter



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18th July 2021

WELCOME: Welcome to everyone who joins us today. Covid Step 4 Guidance: If you are attending Mass in our church, or visiting for Private Prayer, we will continue to observe our safety guidelines after 19th July: Book for Mass, Wear a face mask, Keep 1m Social Distance and Sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the church. Thankyou The Church is Open: Weekdays Tuesday-Friday 08.45am-4.00pm and on Saturdays 10.00am-6.30pm.

Confessions: Saturdays 4.50 -5.20pm; Tues - Fri 8.50-9.20am **Livestreaming Mass**: https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley **For Daily and Sunday Mass Readings,** Morning and Evening Prayer, visit https://www.universalis.com/

Fr. Patrick will be in Chester next week from Mon-Fri at the Spiritan Assembly. Fr Joe Smith will celebrate Mass Tues-Fri. **Congratulations** to our First Holy Communion children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation this weekend.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patsy Goodman who died on Tuesday 13th July. The Requiem Mass for Patsy will take place on Friday 30th July at 11.00am. If you would like to attend, please contact the parish office to book a place Please pray for the wellbeing of Baby Evie Meson who is in hospital, and for Lucy and Matt, Evie's parents.

Congratulations to Margaret Havard who celebrates her 84th Birthday on Sunday and to Jack Hinde who will celebrate his 84th Birthday on Wednesday.

Parish Council new member: Congratulations and welcome to Teresa Shipston who has joined the parish council. Teresa will be responsible for Community Outreach in the parish.

Please read 'Parliament in your parish' and 'Nationality and Borders Bill' information leaflet attached to the newsletter.

Thankyou to our Episcopal Vicar for Kent, Msgr Canon John O'Toole who presided over Mass last Sunday and Congratulations to Frank & Caroline, Jeanne, Phil, Mary, Emily and all our stewards. You can watch the recording of the Mass on our parish Youtube channel, just click on the link https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m

A message from Frank and Caroline: 'We would like to thank everyone in St Francis de Sales Parish for celebrating the special Mass with us last Sunday. We were overwhelmed by the amazing gift of a holiday to Spain and Frank and I were completely taken by surprise and very emotional when the "Papal Benemerenti" was presented. We miss our friends in the Parish and we will always have very fond memories of our time at St Francis de Sales. Thank you to Father Patrick for all the good things he is doing and we would like to thank Jane for the work she does. We shall keep you all in our prayers. God bless'

New Plant Box outside the church: If you would like to be part of a 'gardening team' to help take care of the plant box, please contact the parish office.

News from Our Lady of Hartley School: As we come to the end of the school year, we would like to send you all our very best wishes for a safe, happy and restful summer break and look forward to what we hope will be a return to more normal arrangements in September. Please visit https://www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk/

'£1 a Week' Donation to the Thatch Fund: We hope that in suggesting this manageable amount each week, we can reach our total target of £45,000.00 for the necessary rethatching of the church roof in a true community spirit and without placing too much burden on any family. You can deposit your £1 in the Thatch Fund Boxes placed at the back of the church. If you wish to, you can set up a monthly £4 bank standing order or annual deposit of £52 to the Thatch Fund Account Nat West. St. Francis de Sales Acc. 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33. Thankyou to everyone. Church surroundings and carpark: If you can spare some time to help keep the car park and church surroundings clean and tidy, please contact the parish office. Thank you

Confirmation Preparation: Any young person who will reach school year 8 or above in September 2021 and would like to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please download an Application form from the parish website or pick one up in the church and return it to the parish office. *Closing date for applications is 31st July.*

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)/Journey in Faith: *Are You Interested in Becoming A Catholic?*

If you have never been baptized, if you were baptized in another Christian denomination and would like to become Catholic, or if you were baptized Catholic, but never received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation, you are welcome to join the RCIA programme, the process by which adults become Catholic. Likewise, if you are Catholic and interested in learning more about the Faith. Download the application form from the parish website or pick one up in the church and return it to the parish office. Anne Inman will be leading the RCIA programme.

Marriage Preparation Group and Marriage Support: Jennifer Gillespie will be leading our parish Marriage Preparation and Marriage Support Group. Any couple who is in need of support- those in marriage preparation or those already married- you can contact Jennifer Gillespie directly or speak to Fr. Patrick. Thank you.

Children's Liturgy: If you would like to volunteer to help with Children's Liturgy, please email Fr. Patrick. Thankyou

St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) We are a small group of people who are here to help anyone in need, offering support through phone calls & house visits. We accompany people to medical /dental appointments and offer financial

support to struggling families. Please contact us through the parish office 01474705361

Supporting the parish: Thank you for giving your time, sharing your talents & resources. To keep the parish running **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. You can continue to use your box number for 2nd Collections.

Parish Gift Aid Scheme 2021-22 Weekly Envelopes: Current users can take any unused box from the meeting room, just note your number and 1st/2nd Collection on the envelope.

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 Offertory Donations to the Parish Account: Nat West Bank : St. Francis de Sales. Account no. 34143580 Sort Code: 60-06-33 Please note as 'Offertory' To donate to the Thatch Fund: Nat West Bank: St. Francis de Sales: Account no. 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33

(iv) JustGiving (specifically for Thatch Fund donations)

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stfrancisdesaleshartley

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

Easyfundraising: www.easyfundraising.org.uk.

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:** The name of the person/s in each Mass Intention will be placed in the frame 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 2020/21: It is important that we update the database for our parish Records. Please take a form from the church or download a copy from the website to fill in.

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 July: *We pray for priests and their pastoral ministry*; that priests who experience fatigue and loneliness in their work may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

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 if you were there already and I unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

The church is open for the following Services and ALL SERVICES CONTINUE TO BE LIVESTREAMED https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley		
Saturday 17th July	No Mass	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am
Feria OR The Blessed Virgin Mary	4.50pm-5.20pm	Confessions
Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass baby Evie Meson, wellbeing
Sunday 18th July	08.00 - 8.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	08.30am	Mass Margaret Havard 84th Birthday
2nd Collection: Peter's Pence	09.45am - 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Enabling the Holy Father to do works of mercy	10.15am	Mass People of the Parish
Monday 19th July		No Mass
Tuesday 20th July	08.45 - 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Feria OR St Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr	09.30 am	Mass
Wednesday 21st July	08.45 - 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Feria OR St. Lawrence of Brindisi	09.30 am	Mass Jack Hinde 84th Birthday (Pat)
Thursday 22ndJuly	08.45am-09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
St. Mary Magdalene, Feast	09.30am	Mass
Friday 23rd July	08.45 - 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
St. Brigid, Religious, Patron of Europe	09.30 am	Mass
Saturday 24th July	No Mass	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am
Feria or St. Sharbel or The Blessed Virgin Mary	4.50pm-5.20pm	Confessions
Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Sunday 25th July Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) World Day for Grandparents & Elderly	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 Jim Regan, deceased, birthday (Louise, Pauline)

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