



WELCOME: Welcome to everyone who joins us today. If you are attending Mass or visiting the church, we are continuing to observe our safety guidelines: **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/>

Congratulations to John and Valerie Mc Garr who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday 21st August. May the Lord continue to bless them & their family.

The Requiem Mass for Peter Pieroni will take place at Sacred Heart Church, Wimbledon, on Monday 23rd August at 12:15.

Join via livestream at www.churchservices.tv/wimbledon

The Requiem Mass for Margaret Galea will take place Friday 3rd September 11.30am at Christ Church, Eltham. To join via livestream the link is www.churchservices.tv/eltham

A date to put in your diary: Sunday 19th September 2021.

The new "Friends of St Francis" group are organising an **Open Air Mass on the school playground at 10.30am Sunday 19th September, to be followed by a BBQ on the school field at 12 noon.** Everyone is welcome to attend. More details will appear in early September.

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. **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.

Marriage Preparation Group and Marriage Support: Any couple preparing for marriage, or any married couple who would like support, please speak to Fr. Patrick directly.

St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) We are a small group of people who are here to help anyone in need of support, through phone calls, visits, accompanying to appointments. Please contact us through the parish office 01474705361

St Francis de Sales RC Church Hartley 200 Club: First draw will take place in September If you are over the age of 16 and would like to join, you will find all the necessary information and application forms on our parish website Notice Board **OR Pick up the information and application forms from the church porch.**

Kent Churches Bike and Hike: Saturday September 11th 2021 From 10 am-6pm. A Sponsored event to raise funds for local churches. Further details are on the noticeboard or contact Carol Wilton carolwilton0@gmail.com

JOKE OF THE WEEK: A climber fell off a cliff. As he tumbled down into a deep gorge he grabbed hold of a branch of a small tree. "Help" he shouted. "Is there anyone up there?" A deep majestic Voice from the sky echoed through the gorge. "I will help you, My son. But first you must have Faith in Me." "All right, all right. I trust you." answered the man. The Voice replied, "Let go of the branch." There was a long pause and the man shouted again, "Is there anyone else up there?"

'£1 a Week' Donation to the Thatch Fund: since the appeal began on the 20th June, we have raised £2,177.44 Thankyou so much to all who have been donating weekly or monthly and those who have made their annual donation. We hope that we can raise the £45,000.00 for rethatching 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.**

Thank you for your support, giving your time and volunteering your skills to help build our faith community.

To contribute financially to the upkeep of the parish please join the Parish Gift Aid Scheme; if you are a tax payer the parish will receive a further 25p on every £1 you donate. Please take from the church, or download from the website, a Gift Aid Declaration Form. You can:

(i) Set 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. If you have previously used weekly envelopes, you can continue to use your box number for 2nd Collections, just add the date and collection purpose. If you wish to use standing order for 2nd Collections, note the transaction as '2nd Collection.'

(ii) Use Weekly Envelopes: Fill a Declaration Form and return it to the office. You will be allocated a number to use for Offertory all other Collections. NB Current envelope users can take any unused box from the meeting room, just

write your number for any 1st/2nd/Special Collections, Thatch Fund. Please contact the office for any help needed.

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

(iv) Make Online Offertory Donations to the Parish when it suits your circumstances: Nat West Bank St. Francis de Sales. Account no. 34143580 Sort Code: 60-06-33 Please note as 'Offertory.' or '2nd Collection' etc. Thankyou

To donate directly to the Thatch Fund: Nat West Bank: St. Francis de Sales: Account no34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33

(v) JustGiving (specifically for Thatch Fund donations)

www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley

(vi) Shop at Easyfundraising: Help raise funds for the parish when you shop at www.easyfundraising.org.uk.

Mass Intentions: If you would like someone to be prayed for, please write the details on a Mass Intentions envelope. Post your intention at White Friars or drop it in the 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 from the website to fill in and return to the parish office. Thankyou

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 Bible is the most important book we have, and our faith is rooted in Sacred Scripture. For Information, articles and inspiration to help us explore Sacred Scripture visit 'The God who Speaks' website: godwhospeaks.uk

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for August: Evangelization - Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

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 for private prayer
ALL SERVICES CONTINUE TO BE LIVESTREAMED <https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley>

Saturday 21st August St. Pius X, Pope, Memorial	No Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass John and Valerie McGarr, celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary
Sunday 22nd August Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	08.00 - 8.30am 08.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass All our sick parishioners
2nd Collection: Church Plumbing Works to replace water heater and install a new tap	09.45am - 10.15am 10.15am 11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish Baptism Jack Mealy
Monday 23rd August	No Mass	
Tuesday 24th August St. Bartholomew, Apostle, Feast	08.45 - 09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Wednesday 25th August Feria/St. Louis/St. Joseph of Calasanz, Priest	08.45 - 09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Margaret Galea, recently deceased (Tina)
Thursday 26th August Feria/Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Friday 27th August St. Monica, Memorial	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Saturday 28th August St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	No Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Sunday 29th August Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	08.00 - 08.30 am 08.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish
2nd Collection: Altar Flowers	09.45 - 10.15am 10.15 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Gill family Intention (Anne-Marie)

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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