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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 <u>https://www.universalis.com/</u>

Congratulations to Olympia who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this weekend.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of (Olga) Yvette Coutts, who died on Tuesday 3rd August 2021 aged 86. The Requiem Mass will take place here on Friday 20th August 2021 at 11.00am. Please contact the parish office if you would like to attend the Mass. We pray for Joe, Yvette's husband, and for their children Charles, Jonathan, Rosalind, and grandchildren. **Please pray** for the repose of the soul of Margaret Galea, mother of Caroline Stanley, who died on Wednesday 4th August, aged 89. We pray for Caroline & Frank all their family **Please pray** for the repose of the souls of Peter Pieroni and Patsy Goodman, who died recently.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace. A message from Patsy Goodman's family We would like to thank all those in the parish for attending the requiem Mass for Patsy, in person or by joining us through the live stream, and for the many Mass cards that we have received.

A date for your diary - Sunday 19th September 2021. The new "Friends of St Francis" group wants to organise events that restore community spirit, bearing in mind that people are still cautious about attending indoor gatherings. We will have 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 will be able to keep safely apart out doors and we will be able to sing at Mass, led by the choir. More details will appear in early September. Note the date and please invite your friends and neighbours!

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 extended to August 29th. 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. Please contact us through the parish office 01474705361

Ethical purchasing: People have asked how they can avoid using outlets that treat their staff and suppliers poorly and avoid paying a reasonable amount of tax upon profits. We have added some relevant advice to the parish website. It can be reached via a link under the "Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation" heading in the drop-down menu or directly: http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk/ethicalshopping/ St Francis de Sales RC Church Hartley 200 Club: To raise funds for the church we have opened a 200 Club Monthly Lottery. If you are over the age of 16 and would like to join. you will find all the necessary information and application forms to print off on our parish website Notice Board from the menu OR Pick up the information and application forms from the church porch. Good Luck!

'£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. 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 no. 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33 (v) JustGiving (specifically for Thatch Fund donations) www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley

(vi) Shop at Easyfundraising: <u>www.easyfundraising.org.uk.</u> Kent Churches Bike and Hike: Saturday September 11th 2021 From 10 am-6pm. A Sponsored event to raise funds for the repair and upkeep of our beautiful ancient church buildings. Further details from carolwilton0@gmail.com 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/ 'The God who Speaks' focus this summer is on Family. For Bible resources : godwhospeaks.uk/focus/year-of-the-family 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 7th August	No Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Digna Quigley, recovery to good health (Digna)
Sunday 8th August	08.00 - 8.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	08.30am	Mass Yvette Coutts, deceased (Joseph)
2nd Collection: Towards costs of	09.45am - 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Repairs to exterior of the church building	10.15am	Mass Patsy Goodman, deceased (Creasy family)
Monday 9th August		No Mass
Tuesday 10th August	08.45 - 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr, Feast	09.30 am	Mass
Wednesday 11th August	08.45 - 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
St. Clare, Virgin, Memorial	09.30 am	Mass Patsy Goodman, deceased (the Coffeys)
Thursday 12th August	08.45am-09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Feria OR St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious	09.30am	Mass
Friday 13th August	08.45am-09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Feria OR Sts Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priests,.	09.30am	Mass People of the Parish
Saturday 14th August	No Mass	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am
St. Maximillian Mary Kolbe, Priest and Martyr,	11.00 am	Baptism : Arabella Udrea
Memorial	4.50pm-5.20pm	Confessions
Vigil Mass of Solemnity	5.00pm-5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Time (B)	5.30pm	Mass Peter Pieroni, recently deceased (Anna)
Sunday 15th August	08.00 - 08.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin	08.30 am	Mass Colin Toulson, deceased, Karen)
Mary, Solemnity.	09.45 - 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
2nd Collection: Church Plumbing Works	10.15 am	Mass Arabella Udrea

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