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

To donate directly to the Thatch Fund: Nat West Acc: 34363181 sort code: 60-06-33

Parish Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StFrancisDeSalesHartley

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Parish Youtube: https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m Parish Council: hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk



17th October 2021

WELCOME: Welcome to everyone who joins us today. If you are attending Mass or visiting the church, we are continuing to observe 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 <a href="https://www.universalis.com/">https://www.universalis.com/</a>

The Adult Choir will sing at 10.15am Mass on 17<sup>th</sup> October.

Youth Choir practise Sunday 16th October 9.35am at OLOH School. Please pick up your child from the school after Mass.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of David Baverstock.

Please pray for Mary Rons whose anniversary is next week.

Please pray for Dennis Jackson, recovering from surgery.

Please pray for the wellbeing of Valerie McGarr.

Wedding Notice: Aaron Kempster and Katie Pirot will be married in St. Francis de Sales on Tuesday 26th October 2021 On Monday 18th October we celebrate the Anniversary of the Dedication of Hartley, which took place in 1985 after the extension to the church was completed. We thank God for His blessings on our parish and pray that He may continue to send His Holy Spirit to renew and enlighten us in all we do. From Reverend Bartholomew: 'It is beautiful to be in your midst! Having spent 7 months with you, I humbly wish to express my profound gratitude to you for the warm welcome, the love, care and support I received. It has been a lovely time for me because I have learnt a lot about life from you.

In addition, I would love to say a big thank you to our fantastic parish priest, Fr Patrick Adusei, who gave me the opportunity to exercise my ministry in the parish. Thankyou Father, for all the support, encouragement and hope I received from you. Please kindly remember to pray for me as I continue to discern my vocation to the priesthood and God's will in my life; and be sure that I will keep all of you in my prayer. May God continue to bless and keep you and your family safe, through Christ our Lord. Amen.'

Reverend will be leaving the parish on 18th October, we wish him the very best for the future. Our 2nd Collection this weekend is for Reverend Bartholomew's Farewell Gift. 'Pastoral Review - A guide to ministry and leadership in the Church': Dr Anne Inman has an article published in Vol 17 of the quarterly magazine. You are welcome to take one of the complimentary copies of the Pastoral Review from the porch. Donation Box for Gravesend Foodbank: The Food Bank Box is situated in the porch behind the steward's table. All donations of non-perishable foods and goods are gratefully received, thankyou for your kindness and support.

**Confirmation Preparation:** the next class is on **Saturday 16th October in the church meeting room at 4pm.** 

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)/Journey in Faith: Our next meeting will take place in the Church Meeting Room, on Monday 18th October at 5.45pm.

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.

Synod 2023: The Holy Father has set in motion a process of worldwide consultation leading up to the Synod of Bishops in 2023. An invitation is extended to 'all of the baptised' to contribute on three principal themes: Communion, Participation and Mission. A diocesan phase, moves to a national and regional phase, each in turn feeding into the Synod in Rome. You will be hearing more about our parish and Archdiocese participation in the Synod process from our parish delegates, Anne Inman and Phil Kerton, in the coming weeks. Visit rcaos.org.uk/synod (from 18th October 2021) aec.rcaos.org.uk/synod (from 11th October 2021) The archdiocese has produced a Synod Prayer, please pick up a copy from the porch and let us pray for our delegates & everyone involved in the process. CAFOD "Parliament in Your Parish" Campaign: This asks

people to get to know their MPs - not challenging them, but finding out about the UK's approaches to leading a just and green global recovery from the pandemic, while acting as G7 Chair and host of the Glasgow COP meeting. Gareth Johnson is MP for more than half our parish and he is offering us a virtual meeting at 5.30pm on Friday November 5th. If you would like to register to join in and to find out more, please phone Phil Kerton on 873802 or email at cpkerton@yahoo.com.

Urgent Appeal: Do you have an hour to spare once a month to help with church cleaning? Volunteers are needed for some light vacuuming/dusting/cleaning on a rota basis, working in small teams. Please email Brendan Shirley at varpay@btinternet.com or contact the parish office. We would be very grateful for any help you can give. St Francis de Sales 200 Club: Membership for October Draw onwards is still open. Download an application form and necessary information from the parish website or take from the church porch. Members will be notified of their numbers either by email or by post. Thankyou.

From Our Lady of Hartley School: Thankyou to everyone who donated to our Harvest Festival. Your generous donations have been sent to St. Vincent de Paul and food has been passed on the Community Cupboard Food Bank. For more, Visit www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk/

## THATCH FUND GOAL: £45,000.00. Raised: £28,234.92



£1 a Week donation to Thatch Fund: You may deposit your £1 in the Thatch Fund Boxes at the back of the church OR set up a £4 monthly/ £52 yearly bank order to the Thatch Fund at Nat West Bank St. Francis de Sales Acc no. 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33.

Offertory Collections: If you are a tax payer please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme. It is not binding and 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 (ii) Use Weekly Envelopes (iii) Cash OR Cheque payable to St Francis de Sales. (iv) Make Online Offertory Donations to the Parish (v) Use our parish JustGiving Page at <a href="www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales Hartley">www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales Hartley</a> (vi) Shop at Easyfundraising: <a href="www.easyfundraising.org.uk">www.easyfundraising.org.uk</a>. The Parish receives a donation for every purchase you make. The Hart is a monthly Parish and Village Magazine. Fr Patrick writes an article on a regular basis. There are FREE copies on the table in the church lobby for you to try and a form to sign up for an annual subscription (£5) See Carol Wilton

Mass Intentions: If you would like someone to be prayed for please write the details on a Mass Intentions envelope and post at White Friars or when you come to the church. All Mass Intentions would be published in the Newsletter. The name of the person/s in each Mass Intention will be placed in the frame by Our Lady's Shrine. For your Special Occasion, Birthday, Anniversary please let Fr Patrick know so we can pray for you as a community.

**Baptism for babies and infants:** Contact Fr. Patrick for the necessary advice and guidance on how to proceed.

Parish Database 2020/21: This applies to ALL parishioners. It is important that we update our parish records Please take a form from the church or download from the website to fill in and return to the parish office.

The Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis free monthly newsletter: http://eepurl.com/heWjmL

Pray the Rosary online at https://www.therosary.online/
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 October: Missionary Disciples. We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

## The church is open for the following Services and for private prayer ALL SERVICES CONTINUE TO BE LIVESTREAMED https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley

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Saturday 16th October Feria/ St. Hedwig/St. Mary Margaret Alocoque	No Morning Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
Twenty-ninth Sunday Ordinary Time (B)	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish
Sunday 17th October Twenty-ninth Sunday Ordinary Time (B)  2nd Collection: Deacon Bartholomew	8.00am-8.30am 8.30am 9.45am-10.15am 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass David Baverstock, Repose of his Soul (Mike, Liz) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Wellbeing of Valerie Mc Garr
Monday 18th October	No Mass	
Tuesday 19th October Feria/Sts John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues/St Paul of the Cross	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Dennis Jackson, Wellbeing (Tina, Brendan)
Wednesday 20th October Feria	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
<b>Thursday 21st October</b> Feria	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Mary Cecilia Rons, Deceased (William)
Friday 22nd October Feria OR St. John Paul II, Pope	11.00am	NO 9.30am Mass Requiem Mass for Mary White
Saturday 23rd October Feria/St John of Capistrano/Blessed Virgin Mary	No Morning Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
Thirtieth Sunday Ordinary Time (B)  World Mission Sunday	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Sunday 24th October Thirtieth Sunday Ordinary Time (B) Day of Prayer for the Evangelisation of the World. 2nd Collection: World Mission Day	8.00am-8.30am 8.30am 9.45am-10.15am 10.15am 11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish Baptism: Aurora Cogan

For a newsletter emailed weekly, or to suggest articles/additions, contact the parish secretary: hartley@rcaos.org.uk.

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