Oratory of St. Francís de Sales Parísh Newsletter Address: 'White Friars' Church Road, Hartley, Kent DA3 8DW Parish Priest: Fr Patrick Adusei Poku 07766 254987 patrickaduseipoku@rcaos.org.uk Parish Secretary: 01474 705361, hartley@rcaos.org.uk Parish website: http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk 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 Join us on https://twitter.com/sfdhartley_and https://www.instagram.com/sfdhartley/ St. Francis de Sales' Mass Streaming Live www.churchservices.tv/hartley Parish Youtube : https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m Parish Council: hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk **31st 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 https://www.universalis.com/

The Adult Choir will sing at 5.30pm Mass on 30th October. The Hart Magazine: Fr. Patrick has written an article for the November issue. To subscribe to The Hart, see Carol Wilton Please pray the repose of the soul of Valerie Mc Garr who died on Saturday morning, 30th October. Please keep John and their children and family in your prayers at this time. Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner Lidia Barnet who died on Sunday 24th October and for Marie Carroll, sister-in-law of Maureen Wilde, who died in Ireland. **Please pray for** the Special Intention of the Bunting Family Thankyou to Tina & Brendan Shirley for cleaning the church every week. Please speak to Brendan if you would like to help Synod 2021-2023: Synod listening sessions for our parish



begin this weekend on Saturday 30th October after the 5.30 Mass in the parish meeting room. Further listening sessions for the coming week are scheduled for Friday 5th November For a synodal Church after the 9.30 Mass. and Sunday 7th November after the 10.15 Mass.

Please book in through the parish office or through the stewards at the weekend Masses. All are welcome. Please pray that the exercise will prove fruitful. Synod prayer-cards are available at the church entrance.

Mass for Deceased Clergy of the Gravesend Deanery at St. Francis de Sales, Wednesday November 17th at 11.30am It is the turn of our parish to host the annual Mass for all our deceased Clergy. We will gather to pray for the repose of their souls and give thanks for their ministry to the Lord and His Church. The Deanery Meeting will follow after the Mass and, as is customary, the host parish will provide lunch for all the visiting clergy. Given the present covid climate, we have booked Hartley Country Club as our venue, at a cost to the parish of £300. If anyone would like to contribute, donations will be very gratefully received, thank you.

RCIA Journey in Faith: Our next meeting is on Monday 1st November at 5.45pm in the church meeting room.

FHC preparation: the next class will be on Sunday 7th November at 9.35am in Our Lady of Hartley School.

All Saints

You can take the short cuts practiced by three Teresas to become a saint: (1) St. Teresa of Avila: Recharge your spiritual batteries every day by prayer, namely, listening to God and talking to Him (2) St. Thérèse of Lisieux: Convert every action into prayer by offering it to God for His glory and for the salvation of souls and by doing God's will to the best of one's ability. (3) St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa): Do ordinary things with great love.

CAFOD "Parliament in Your Parish" Campaign: Virtual Meeting with MP Gareth Johnson 5.30pm on Friday November 5th. Find 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. To register to join in & find out more call Phil Kerton on 873802 email at cpkerton@yahoo.com. COP26: A Guide CAFOD has produced and how you can get involved. Click on the link to view: https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/COP26-climatesummit/What-is-COP26

November is Month of the Holy Souls: If you would like your deceased relatives or loved ones to be included on the November Holy Souls Mass List, take an envelope from the porch and place in it the names of all for whom you wish to pray. Return it when you come to Mass or drop it at the Presbytery. If you would like Holy Mass offered for the repose of their souls during the month of November, you may place your offering in the envelope. On Wednesday 24th November at 7pm, Mass will be offered for our deceased parishioners, all those named on the Remembrance List, and for all who have died from Covid19 St Francis de Sales 200 Club draw will take place at the end of the 10.15 Mass on Sunday 31st October. We are still looking for new members and it is not too late to join. Forms can be found in the Church and on our website. What can you buy for the person who has everything? - A 200 Club Number!

Kent Churches Bike and Hike A record amount of £605 was raised by this event. This sum will be divided between the Kent Churches organisation and our own Parish. Well done to the Bikers and Hikers and many thanks to our generous Sponsors.

Urgent Appeal: Do you have an hour to spare once a month to help with church cleaning? Please email Brendan Shirley at varpay@btinternet.com or contact the parish office. We would be very grateful for any help you can give. Donation Box for Gravesend Foodbank: The Food Bank Box is situated in the porch behind the steward's table. All donations of non-perishable goods are gratefully received.

St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP): are a small group of people who offer support in a variety of ways, through phone calls, house visits, accompany people to appointments. We also offer confidential financial support to struggling families. Contact us through the parish office.

THATCH FUND GOAL: £45,000.00. Raised: £28,464.77



£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. Thankyou for all your support.

Offertory Collections: If you are a tax payer please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme. It is not a 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 www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-SalesHartley

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: It is important that we update our parish records. If you have not yet done so, please take a **DATABASE FORM,** fill in your details and return it to the parish office

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

Prayer Resources: https://pray-as-you-go.org/index.php http://www.wednesdayword.org/schoolindex.htm

https://www.crosswalk.com/devotionals/your-daily-prayer/ **Prayer for the Faithful Departed:** "Receive in tranquility and peace, O Lord, the souls of your servants who have departed this present life to come to you. Grant them rest and place them in the habitations of light, the abodes of blessed spirits. Give them the life that will not age, good things that will not pass away, delights that have no end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." — St. Ignatius of Antioch

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for November: People who suffer from depression *We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.*

The church is open for the following Services and for private prayer ALL SERVICES CONTINUE TO BE LIVESTREAMED https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley		
Saturday 30th October Feria OR Blessed Virgin Mary	No Morning Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
All Saints, Solemnity Holyday of Obligation	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Lidia Barnet, recently deceased (Angela)
Sunday 31st October All Saints, Solemnity, Holyday of Obligation 2nd Collection: Offsetting Maintenance costs for Storage Shed and Church posts	08.00am-8.30am 08.30am 09.45am-10.15am 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Private Intention of the Bunting Family (Delia) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Marie Carroll, recently deceased. (Maureen)
Monday 1st November	No Mass	
Tuesday 2nd November All Souls' Day	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed
Wednesday 3rd November Feria/St. Martin de Porres/St. Winefride	No Morning Mass 10.30 am	Requiem Mass for Jean Marion Scanlan
Thursday 4th November St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop, Memorial	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Valerie Mc Garr, repose of her soul (Jane)
Friday 5th November Feria	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the parish
Saturday 6th November Feria OR Blessed Virgin Mary Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	No Morning Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm 5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Lidia Barnet, deceased. (Digna)
Sunday 7th November Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 2nd Collection: Offsetting Maintenance costs for Storage Shed and Church posts	08.00am-8.30am 08.30am 09.45am-10.15am 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Jack and Julie Hooker, deceased (Angela)

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