



3rd 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 the 5.30pm Mass on 2nd October

Wedding Notice: Aaron Kempster and Katie Pirot will be married in St. Francis de Sales on Tuesday 26th October 2021

Our 2nd Collection this weekend is for CAFOD Climate Crisis Appeal: By donating to CAFOD you can help communities affected by the worst impacts of the climate crisis.

Collections will be taken in the parish or you can donate directly to CAFOD – for details please pick up a CAFOD envelope from the church. Taxpayers can Gift Aid donations.

Donation Box for Gravesend Foodbank: The Box is in the porch behind the steward's table. All donations of non-perishable foods and goods are gratefully received thankyou

Reverend Bartholomew: will be leaving the parish on 18th October. We are grateful to Reverend for his time here and wish him all the best for the future. If you would like to donate towards a farewell gift for Reverend, please mark the envelope 'Reverend Bartholomew' and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. Thankyou

'Flirting with God- Refreshing Sunday Homilies for all Cycles' written by Fr. Ugo Ikwuka CSSp is an excellent resource to help us reflect on our knowledge and love of God. We have just 5 copies of the book at a cost of £15 each– please see Fr. Patrick after Mass if you would like to purchase a copy.

Confirmation Preparation: the first class is on Saturday 2nd October in the church meeting room at 4pm. Please arrive in good time. Any young person in school Yr8 or above who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation but who has not yet applied, speak to Fr. Patrick as soon as possible.

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

Our next meeting will take place at White Friars on Monday 4th October at 5.45pm. Please speak to Fr. Patrick if you have any enquiries about the RCIA programme.

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.

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.

JOKE OF THE WEEK "The secret of my success in my married life and in my business is the same", said Henry Ford on the 50th anniversary of his wedding, "I don't change models every now and then; instead I stick to one and try to improve it."

St Francis de Sales 200 Club: September 26th Draw result: 1st prize £47: no. 9 B. Ring; 2nd Prize £12: no. 98 M. McMonagle. You can still enter for the October Draw onwards. Get an application form and necessary information from the parish website or in the church porch. Members will be notified of their numbers either by email (please check spam) or by mail. Thankyou

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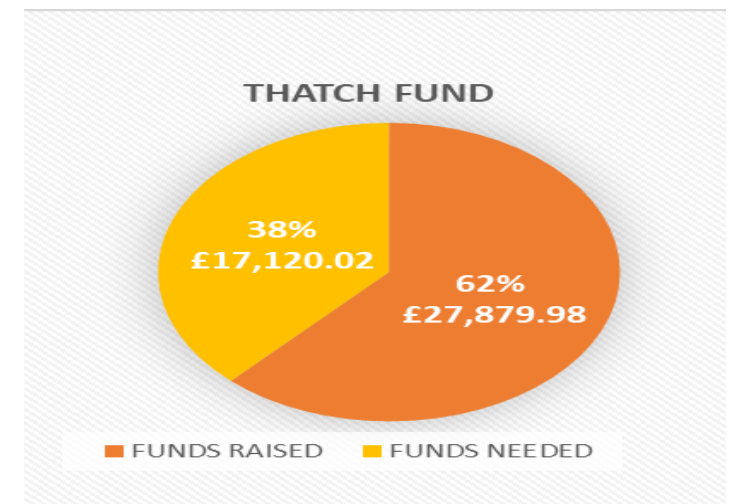
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THATCH FUND

Category	Percentage	Amount
FUNDS RAISED	62%	£27,879.98
FUNDS NEEDED	38%	£17,120.02

£1 a Week donation to Thatch Fund: £2,766.83 to date

To donate: deposit your £1 in the Thatch Fund Boxes at the back of the church OR set up a £4 monthly or £52 yearly bank order to the **Thatch Fund Account Nat West St. Francis de Sales Acc 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33.**



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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 To donate directly to the Thatch Fund: [Nat West Bank: St. Francis de Sales: Account no34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33](#) (v) [JustGiving www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-SalesHartley](http://www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-SalesHartley) (vi) [Shop at Easyfundraising:](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) Help raise funds for the parish by shopping at www.easyfundraising.org.uk. **The Hart and Saint Francis de Sales:** Fr Patrick writes an article for the Hart on a regular basis. To subscribe to the Hart (£5 annual) there are forms on the table in the porch. **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 Parish 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 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. **The Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis** free monthly newsletter: <http://eepurl.com/heWjml> **Evangelium Online FREE-** a full refresher & overview of the Catholic Faith led by Fr Marcus Holden. Live sessions <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/latestevangeliumonlinecourse21-22> **The FREE Bible Timeline Course:** Understand the Bible from start to finish, delivered online LIVE by Mauro Iannicelli. Began on Wed 29th September 2021. 8 weekly sessions (7pm-8:40pm) Register at: www.comeandsee.org **Praying the Rosary** October is traditionally the Month of the Rosary. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October the 7th. The Rosary is a meditation in thought and word, it gives us an opportunity to reflect on the most important parts of the life of Jesus. For help and guidance on praying the Rosary visit <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>

Saturday 2nd October Morning: The Holy Guardian Angels	No Morning Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
Twenty-seventh Sunday Ordinary Time (B) Rosary Sunday	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Couples preparing for marriage
Sunday 3rd October Twenty-seventh Sunday Ordinary Time (B) 2nd Collection: CAFOD	8.00am-8.30am 8.30am 9.45am-10.15am 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass All married couples Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish
Monday 4th October	No Mass	
Tuesday 5th October Feria OR St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin	08.45 - 09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Wednesday 6th October Feria OR St. Bruno, Priest	08.45 - 09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Thursday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary, Memorial	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Friday 8th October Feria	08.45am-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass
Saturday 9th October Morning: St. John Henry Newman, Priest, Feast.	No Morning Mass 4.50pm-5.20pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions
Twenty-eighth Sunday Ordinary Time (B)	5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass People of the Parish
Sunday 10th October Twenty-eighth Sunday Ordinary Time (B) Day of prayer for Prisoners & their families 2nd Collection: Refurbishing the storage shed at White Friars cost: £1,300	8.00am-8.30am 8.30am 9.45am-10.15am 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass Prisoners and their families and all those who are affected by crime.

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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