



21st November 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/>

'Flirting with God': If you took a copy of the book and are yet to pay the £15, please can you do so, thankyou.

Bishops' Statement: Honouring Sunday. Please read the attachment to the newsletter.

The Requiem Mass for Lidia Barnett will take place here on Thursday 25th November at 10.30am. As Lidia has few relatives in this country, parishioners are encouraged to attend and offer our support to Sean, Rosanna and Jamie.

Please pray for all those in our Mass Intentions this week.

Youth Choir Practice this Sunday 21st November at 9.30am in Our Lady of Hartley School. Please pick children up from the school after the 10.15 Mass has finished. Thankyou

Our Youth Choir will be singing in church for the first time at the 10.15am Mass next Sunday 28th November.

Meeting with First Holy Communion parents: On Sunday 28th November after 10.15am Mass, Fr. Patrick will have a meeting with parents to discuss arrangements for the FHC Mass. It is important that all parents attend this meeting.

Thankyou to Angel and Richard for reading at Mass last Sunday, & to Niamh for stewarding at 5.30 Mass on Saturday **Thankyou** to Jim Harbinson for creating a Thatch Fund Chart which is on display in the church to help parishioners & visitors appreciate our steady progress to reaching our target

Holy Souls Mass: On Wednesday 24th November at 7pm Mass will be offered for all our deceased parishioners, those who are named on the Holy Souls Mass List, and all those who have died from Covid19.

Photos of your deceased relatives and loved ones: We would like you to bring photos of your loved ones who have died and place them in front of the Altar throughout the month of November as we continue to remember them and pray for them. We place their photos around the Altar because we know that in every celebration of the Eucharist, heaven and earth are united. The living and the dead are made one. All are bound together in the Spirit of Christ.

Confirmation preparation: The next class is on Saturday 27th November 4.00pm in the Meeting Room.

RCIA Journey in Faith: Our next meeting is on Thursday 25th November at 6.45 pm in the church meeting room.

November, 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 Mass offered for a loved one, you may place an offering in the envelope.

St Francis de Sales 200 Club: November Draw will take place after 8.30am Mass next Sunday 28th November, Good Luck! We are still looking for new members and **it is not too late join for November's Draw.** Membership Forms & information can be found in the Church porch and on our website, in the Noticeboard section.

Urgent Appeal: Do you have an hour to spare once a month to help with some light church cleaning, dusting and vacuuming? If you can, please email Brendan Shirley at varpay@btinternet.com or contact the parish office. We would be very grateful for any help you can give.

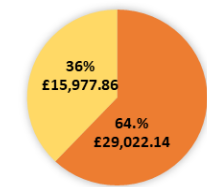
St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP): are a small group of people who offer support in a variety of ways, through phone calls, house visits, accompanying people to medical/dental appointments. We also offer confidential financial support to struggling families. Please contact us through the parish office.

Donation Box for Gravesend Foodbank: Please place non perishable items in the Food Bank Box situated in the porch. Thankyou for your continued support and kindness.

Caring for Our Common Home: Just ahead of the Glasgow COP26 gathering, our Archdiocese adopted an environmental policy, reflecting concerns often expressed by Pope Francis. After a theological introduction, it commits all departments and parishes to, among other things, reducing our carbon footprint through: waste reduction; recycling and the use of green energy; avoiding unnecessary use of energy, water and materials, as far as is practicable; encouraging awareness of environmental challenges and how to adopt them, and monitoring and improving *environmental performance*. **One way to help us play our part would be to set up an Environmental Task Group in the parish, working in tandem with the school. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in joining such a group and wish to have more information.**

From Our Lady of Hartley School: We have been marking this year's Anti-Bullying campaign by celebrating acts of kindness across the school. Well done to all of the children for living our school values each day. We hope you all have a lovely weekend. To find out more about our school visit www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk

£1 a Week donation to Thatch Fund: £45,000.00 Target



■ Funds raised ■ funds needed

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 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 are published in the Newsletter and names are written in the special frame placed 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

Next Sunday 28th December is the First Sunday of Advent

Daily Reflections for Advent: The Spirituality Commission of the Archdiocese are offering a series of short, daily reflections straight to your email inbox. These focus on the particular readings of the day. The link is: <http://eepurl.com/dcNmsv>

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 20th November
Feria OR Blessed Virgin Mary

No Morning Mass
4.50pm-5.20pm

Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am
Confessions

Mass of Sunday

5.00pm-5.30pm
5.30pm Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Tony & Valerie Owen: 57th Wedding Anniversary (Tony)

Sunday 21st November
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE
UNIVERSE, SOLEMNITY

08.00am-8.30am
08.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Mass People of the Parish

Diocesan 2nd Collection Catholic Youth Services

09.45am-10.15am
10.15am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Mass Intention of Doherty family (Billy)

Monday 22nd November

No Mass

Tuesday 23rd November

Feria/St. Clement I, Pope/St. Columban, Abbot

08.45-09.30am
09.30 am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Mass Valerie Mc Garr, deceased (Digna)

Wednesday 24th November

Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions

No morning Mass

7.00pm Mass for all deceased parishioners & those on the Holy Souls list

Thursday 25th November

Feria OR St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin

No morning Mass

10.30am

Requiem Mass for Lidia Barnett

Friday 26th November

Feria

08.45am-09.30am
09.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Mass Deceased members of Butson family (William)

Saturday 27th November

Feria/Blessed Virgin Mary

No Morning Mass
4.50pm-5.20pm

Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am
Confessions

Mass of Sunday

5.00pm-5.30pm
5.30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Mass People of the Parish

Sunday 28th November

First Sunday of Advent (C)

2nd Collection: Flowers and candles for our
Advent and Christmas Wreath

08.00am-8.30am
08.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Mass Colin Toulson, deceased (Karen)

09.45am-10.15am
10.15am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
Mass Valerie Mc Garr, deceased (Bernie, Jim)

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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