Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter

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

St. Francis de Sales' Mass Streaming Live: www.churchservices.tv/hartley



WELCOME: Welcome to everyone joining us today.

If you are attending Mass: Please wear a Face mask, Sanitise your hands on entering & leaving church and kindly respect another's wish for social distancing. Your consideration for our vulnerable parishioners & visitors is greatly appreciated. Please book for Mass online or through the parish office.

The Church is Open: Weekdays Tuesday-Friday 08.45am-4.00pm and on Saturdays from 10.00am for private prayer.

Confessions: Saturdays 4.30-5.20pm; Tues - Fri 8.40-9.20am, or you can book an appointment with the parish priest for a time that is convenient to you.

For Daily and Sunday Mass Readings, Morning and Evening Prayer, visit https://www.universalis.com/

Livestreaming Mass: https://www.churchservices.tv/hartley Fr. Patrick returned from Ghana last week, thank you for your prayers.

Please pray for those named in our Mass intentions and for all our sick and housebound parishioners.

Congratulations and Happy 18th Birthday to Niamh Harlow! Our Youth Choir will be singing at our 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 5th March- please drop your child off at the church at 4pm for practise before Mass. Newcomers are very welcome, just pick up a form at the church or download a copy from the parish website and return it by 5th March.

The adult choir will be singing at the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 19th February.

Livestream Appeal: The cost for 2022 is £1,328.40. Many thanks for your contributions to help us meet this year's cost. Please place donations in an envelope marked 'Livestream Appeal' - or donate directly through the parish bank account Nat West St. Francis de Sales Acc: 34143580 sort code: 60-06-33. If you are a tax payer please use the white Gift Aid Envelopes which are next to the collection basket. Thankyou Confirmation Preparation: The next Class will take place this Saturday 12th February, 4pm in the Meeting Room.

This year's Racial Justice Sunday falls on 13 February 2022. The theme is "In the Image and Likeness of God" celebrating different presentations of the Holy Family from different countries & cultures. Visit cbcew.org.uk to view the posters We pray the words of Pope Francis: Come, Holy Spirit, show us your beauty, reflected in all the peoples of the earth, so that we may discover anew that all are important and all are necessary, different faces of the one humanity that God so loves. Amen. Our 2nd Collection today is for The Catholic Association for Racial Justice. Thankyou for your support. Our Catholic Women's Circle (CWC) met on 8th February.

It was lovely to meet up again in person to have conversation, a cup of tea and some of Tina & Margaret's delicious homemade

cakes. Please do join us next time – plenty of friendship and

cakes to share. The date for our next meeting will be noted in the newsletter, there is no need to book. If you would like to come along but would need a ride, please call the parish office & let us know or speak to Margaret Walsh.

Sevenoaks Welcomes Refugees is a local charity helping to support refugees resettling in the Sevenoaks district, as part of the UK Government's refugee resettlement schemes. We help to support the resettlement of refugee families from Syria and Afghanistan now living in Sevenoaks town, Swanley, New Ash Green, Kemsing, and Eynsford- welcoming, help with learning English, finding jobs, help settling into a different way of life etc — and we make small welfare grants. We are particularly keen to recruit volunteers where families have recently arrived. We also need rental properties for family housing; an attractive Government package is on offer for private landlords able to help. Email sevenoakswelcomesrefugees@gmail.com or visit us at www.sevenoakswelcomesrefugees.org

For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission Our parish response for the Synod has been sent in to the diocese. However, if anyone would like to contribute further to the diocesan input to the national process, the deadline for individual submissions is 18th February 2022. The addresses are synod@rcaos.org.uk (online) and Synod Submissions, c/o Archbishop's House, 150 St George's Road, London SE1 6HX. (by post)

Parish Lenten Talk: As part of our Lenten observance, we are pleased to welcome the well-known Scripture scholar, Fr. John Deehan to our parish for a talk on Tuesday 15th March from 7.30 pm to 9 pm. Please attend in person if you are able, or tune in over the livestream.

A Diocesan 'retreat at home' for Lent: Saving Grace. Every Wednesday you will receive an email with links to a 25minute video and materials to use in your own prayer and reflection. Sign up here to receive the materials directly http://eepurl.com/hnK Rz

'COME TO ME' The Southwark Charismatic Team's healing day at St George's Cathedral will be livestreamed between 10am–4.45pm Saturday 19th February. Join online at https://youtu.be/CgKprvdHDbg or click link to book in person: https://bit.ly/Healing2022

World Day of Prayer: Friday 4th March 10.15 for 10.30am at Church Centre Ash Road. More details next week.

From Our Lady of Hartley School: This week has been very busy with the children taking part in a range of activities to mark Safer Internet Day, Children's mental Health Day and the International day for Women and Girls in Science. Well done to everyone for some wonderfully creative 'Dress to Express' outfits. Visit us at www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk

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

200 Club: Membership is open. Draws take place on the last Sunday of each month, after the 8.30am Mass. Information, Membership Forms and Rules are available in the church porch or download from the parish website.

Darenth Valley Hospital: Fr Pat Zammit is the RC Chaplain at Darenth Valley hospital. It is essential that patient's family should make their catholicity clear to hospital authorities.

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

£1 a Week donation to Thatch Fund: £45,000.00 Target
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 at Nat West Bank St. Francis de Sales Acc no. 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33. Thankyou

Offertory Collections: If you are a tax payer please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme. You can: (i) Set up a Bank

Standing Order (ii) Use Weekly Envelopes (iii) Cash/Cheque payable to St Francis de Sales (iv) Online Offertory donations to the Parish (v) *JustGiving* <u>www.justqiving.com/St-Francis-de-SalesHartley</u> Contact the parish office for any assistance.

Mass Intentions: If you would like someone to be prayed for please write the details on a Mass Intentions envelope and nost at White Friars or when you come to the church. All

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 which 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: Please download a copy from the parish website or take a copy from the porch, fill it in and return it to the parish office or when you come to Mass.

Prayer Resources: https://pray-as-you-go.org/index.php https://www.crosswalk.com/devotionals/your-daily-prayer/http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/ways-into-prayer

We pray with Pope Francis for his intention in FEBRUARY 2022 for all Religious sisters and consecrated women.

Safeguarding: If you are concerned that a child or vulnerable adult has been harmed or is at risk of harm, in the first instance, please dial 999 in case of an emergency or otherwise contact our **Parish Safeguarding Representative**Mrs Victoria Foley: hartleysg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk 07966 538458.

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

Saturday 12th February Morning: Feria/The Blessed Virgin Mary Mass of Sunday	No Morning Mass 4.30pm-5.20pm 5.00pm-5.30pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Confessions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass: People of the Parish
Sunday 13th February 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Racial Justice Day 2nd Collection: CARJ	08.30am 09.45am-10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer for Racial Justice in our schools, parishes & wider society
Monday 14th February	No Mass	Feria
Tuesday 15th February Feria	08.45-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass: Intention of Mike and Maureen Coole. (Mary)
Wednesday 16th February Feria	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass: Laura Amor, Anniversary of death. (Carol)
Thursday 17th February Feria/ Seven Holy Founders of Servite Order	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass:
Friday 18th February Feria	08.45-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass:
Saturday 19th February Morning: Feria/The Blessed Virgin Mary Mass of Sunday	No Morning Mass 11.00am 4.30pm-5.20pm 5.00pm-5.30pm 5.30pm	Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am Baptism: Beatrice Lucy Mealey Confessions Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass:
Sunday 20th February 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2nd Collection: Health & Safety Maintenance	08.00am-08.30am 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: