



20th February 2022

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 other people's need 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>
Our Adult choir will be singing at the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 19th February.

We welcome Fr. Ugo Ikwuka, Superior of the British Province of the Spiritans, who is visiting our parish this weekend 19th/20th February. Fr Ugo will be celebrating all 3 Masses and will be delighted to greet parishioners after each Mass. He will also visit some of our housebound parishioners before travelling back.

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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Linda Ann Charker who died on 5th February. Her Requiem Mass will take place here on Friday 25th February at 12 noon. We pray also for Linda's husband Les, her children and family at this time.

NB There will be no 9.30am Mass on Friday 25th February.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jerry Aikins, who died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place in Crayford on Monday 21st February. We pray also for Jerry's parents, his siblings and family at this time. May he rest in peace.

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.

Would your child like to join the Youth Choir? New members are very welcome, parents simply pick up a consent form at the church or download a copy from the parish website and return it online or by hand by 5th March

Livestream 2022: We have reached the amount needed to pay Church TV Services for this year's livestreaming. My sincere gratitude to everyone for your amazing generosity of heart and your support. May the Lord bless you, one and all.

Confirmation Preparation: The next Class will take place on Saturday 26th February at 4pm in the Meeting Room.

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.

Lenten Fridays: Volunteers are needed to take a turn leading evening meditations upon Christ's Passion, using 20th and 21st century versions of the Stations of the Cross. It's preferable to work in a pair or in a group and a selection of texts are available if you do not yet have a preference of your own. Please contact the parish office to volunteer or to find out more.

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 at the Church Centre on Ash Road. Time: 10.15am for 10.30am start.

This year the Parish of Fawkham and Hartley is hosting the annual World Day of Prayer. Parishioners from Saint Francis are warmly invited by our Anglican friends to join them for this annual ecumenical event and for coffee, cake and conversation after the service. We would like to have representatives from each parish to take part as readers in the service. Please contact Carol if you would be willing to participate, or for further details

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.

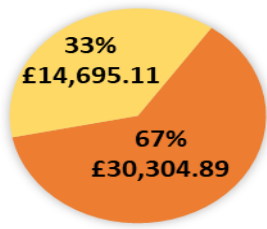
Information, Membership Forms and Rules are available in the church porch or download from the parish website.

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.

The Clergy Support Fund (2nd) Collection will take place next weekend Sunday 27th February. The Fund enables the Archdiocese of Southwark to care for priests in their retirement, old age, and at their time of ill health, after their lifetime of service and devotion to Christ, His Church and His People. As you leave Mass today you shall be offered a Clergy Support Fund envelope. A donation to this fund will ensure a dignified retirement for all our priests. Please continue to pray for our sick and elderly priests.

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

£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 for your support.

Offertory Collections: If you are a tax payer please would you 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 - an online donation** www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-SalesHartley

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 post at White Friars or when you come to the church.

All Mass intentions would be 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.

Application Forms: For Youth Choir/Welcomer/ Reader/Altar Server are available in the porch and on the parish website

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.

'We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.'

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 19th February Morning: Feria/The Blessed Virgin Mary	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: In memory of Winifred Connelly, deceased. (Jim)
Mass of Sunday		
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:
Monday 21st February	No Mass	Feria
Tuesday 22nd February The Chair of St. Peter, Apostle, Feast	08.45-09.30am 09.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass:
Wednesday 23rd February St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr, Memorial	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass: Marian Kneller 1st Anniversary of death (Carol)
Thursday 24th February Feria	08.45-09.30am 09.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass:
Friday 25th February Feria/St. Ethelbert, King	12.00 noon	Requiem Mass for Linda Ann Charker
Saturday 26th February Morning: Feria/The Blessed Virgin Mary	No Morning Mass 4.30pm-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: People of the Parish
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Sunday 27th February 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2nd Collection: Clergy Support Fund Diocesan Collection	08.00am-08.30am 08.30am 09.45am-10.15am 10.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer Mass: Intention of the RCIA Group.(Anne)

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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