

# Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter April 10th 2022

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**WELCOME:** everyone joining us today for Mass.

If you are attending Mass: *Please book for Mass, wear a face mask & sanitise your hands.*

*The Right hand side of the church is reserved for parishioners requesting social distancing.*

*Refreshments are available in the meeting room after all weekend Masses, please join us.*

**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 convenient to you. **Please note there will be No Confessions on Holy Saturday 16th April.**

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

**'Children's Liturgy' for children in YR-Yr2 Sunday 10th April at the 10.15am Mass.** The children are sent out with adult leaders to the meeting room for their own Liturgy of the Word and will return before the Offertory to share with us what they have learned.

**The 9.30am Mass on Tuesday 12th April will be in the meeting room as the new carpet is being laid in the church on Monday and Tuesday. There is NO 9.30am Mass on Wednesday 13th as Fr Patrick will be attending the Chrism Mass at St. George's Cathedral.**

**Our Adult Choir** will sing on Maundy Thursday and at the Easter Vigil. Congregational singing will take place in church any time the choirs sing **Please pray for the repose of the soul of Digna Quigley.** Digna's Requiem Mass will take place here on Wednesday 18th May at 11.00am.

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES AT ST FRANCIS DE SALES

**9th/10th April** Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord: 5.30pm, Sun 8.30am, 10.15am

**14th April:** Maundy Thursday: 7.00pm.

**15th April Good Friday :** 3.00pm

**16th April** The Easter Vigil: 7.00pm

**17th April** Easter Sunday: 8.30am, 10.15am

**Please pray for the well being of** all our housebound and sick parishioners, those in hospital or at home & for their family & carers.

**New Parish Youth Group:** Thankyou to Niamh Harlow & Youth Group Leaders for introducing themselves at 5.30pm Mass last weekend. Niamh will be speaking and introducing the team at our Sunday Masses this weekend.

**Youth Group Consent Forms** are available in the church & on the parish website to download fill in & return to the parish office.

**Visitation:** If you or someone in your family is housebound and would like Fr Patrick to visit, please speak to Father or call the parish office.

**Bereavement Support Group:** If you are feeling lonely or bereft, especially after the death of a loved one, we have a small and friendly group here at St. Francis de Sales whose members can visit you to meet up and chat or maybe just to lend a listening ear. Please contact Fr. Patrick in the first instance and he will put you in touch with us.

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

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**1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Rep. Psalm: 21:8-9**

**2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11**

**Gospel Passion Narrative: Luke 23:1-49**

**There will be one Collection next weekend for our Easter Offering to the parish priest.** Please use the Easter Offering Envelopes which are in the church porch or, if you normally contribute by Standing Order, you can donate directly to the parish bank account referencing 'Easter Offering.' Please do remember to Gift Aid your donation, thank you

**First Holy Communion 2022: All Application Forms should now have been returned** to the parish office for those wishing to register their child for First Holy Communion Preparation. **Preparation for the children will begin on Sunday 1st May in Our lady of Hartley School.** Please drop your child off promptly at 9.30am and pick them up again from the school after the 10.15am Mass.

**Youth Choir: If your child would like to join the choir,** please pick up a **Consent Form** in the church porch or download from the parish website & return it when you come to Mass or drop at the parish office.

**Parents of young people who are interested in to being a Welcomer/Reader/Altar Server,** Consent Forms are also available in the porch & on the parish website 'Noticeboard' Please sign & return the form to the parish office.

**A Passover Supper** evening on Saturday 9th April 6.30pm in Our Lady of Hartley school Hall, recreating the Jewish family ceremonial meal at which the events of the Passover are remembered and celebrated. Please bring your own glasses & finger food to share Contact carolwilton0@gmail.com

### **Good Friday - Walk of Witness**

The walk will start from Saint Mary Magdalene, Longfield. Gather at 9 o'clock for departure at 9.30. It will finish at Saint Peter's Ridley, at 2 o'clock. The walkers will stop off at 5 local Churches on the route for rest and prayer. The stop at Saint Francis will be at approximately 11 o'clock. Walkers may join or leave the walk at any point. Further details regarding times and stop off points from Carol. carolwilton0@gmail.com

**HUMANITARIAN AID FOR UKRAINE** enables agencies in and near Ukraine to prepare to

support families who are in dire need of help and of prayers. **You can donate to this appeal on-line here:** <https://donation.dec.org.uk/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal>

***Please continue to pray the Rosary for Peace in Ukraine and for an end to all wars.***



### **Good Friday Collection**

**Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection,** which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday](http://www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday) Missionary Appeal Visit: The Verona Fathers (Comboni Missionaries) will be visiting the parish on 23rd and 24th April to make their Mission Appeal.**

**Donation Box for Gravesend Foodbank** Please place non perishable foods and items in the Food Bank Box situated in the porch. Thank you

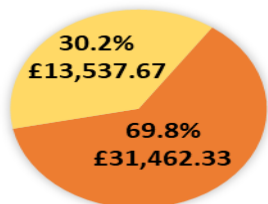
**Seeking Sanctuary:** Donations of toiletries, hats gloves, warm clothing, can be left in the blue box which is in the meeting room. Thank you

**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 local medical/dental appointments. We also offer financial support to struggling families. Please contact us through the parish office.

**Darenth Valley Hospital:** Fr Pat Zammit is the RC Chaplain at Darenth Valley hospital. It is essential that patients' families make their

catholicity clearly known to hospital authorities  
**Please note, the name of our parish Nat West Bank Account has been renamed RCAS Hartley Please use this for all bank references**

**Thatch Fund: £45,000.00 Target to reach in 2023 Thankyou for your £1 a Week donation.**



■ Funds raised ■ funds needed

You may deposit your £1 in one of the Thatch Fund Boxes at the back of the church OR set up a £4 monthly standing order or annual £52

standing order **Nat West RCAS Hartley. Account number 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33**

### **PLANNED GIVING & GIFT AIDED DONATIONS**

***If you are a tax payer please consider joining others who have returned the Pledge Forms and are raising extra income for the parish by donating via the Gift Aid Scheme. You can:***

(i) Set up a Bank Standing Order (ii) Donate Online (iii) Use Weekly Envelopes (iv) Cash/Cheque payable to RCAS Hartley (v) Donate directly at our *Justgiving Page*

*[www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley](http://www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley)*



*OR Just open up the camera on your smart phone and point it at this screen and it'll take you directly to the page.*

***For anyone who is visiting the Church or wants to make a One-Off Donation, please use the One-Off Donation white envelopes available in the Porch.***

**St. Francis de Sales 200 Club Membership is open.** To sign up, you'll find Membership Forms, Rules, and information in the church porch or on the parish website. Speak to Tina Shirley or Kate Whittaker to find out more.

**Please can we ask that you Register yourself and your family on the Parish Database:** Please download a **DATABASE FORM** from the parish website or take a copy from the porch, fill it in and return it to the parish office. Thankyou

**The Knights of St Columba would like to increase their membership in parishes and have produced a new recruitment video. To watch click: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YvqkVtIKUek> To learn more about the Knights in our parish, contact the parish office for contact details.**

**Sharing my Time and Talents** - Thankyou to everyone who has either newly volunteered or renewed their commitment to help in the parish. We will be in touch with you all soon.

**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 intentions for Mass would be published in the Newsletter & names are written in the special frame by Our Lady's Shrine

**If you or a loved one are celebrating a Special Occasion, Birthday, or Anniversary, please let Fr Patrick know so we can pray for you as a community.**

**Baptism for babies and infants:** Please attend one of the weekend Masses and speak with Fr. Patrick afterwards. He will give the necessary advice and guidance on how to proceed.

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

**Morning prayer:** *Eternal Father, I offer you everything I do this day – my thoughts, works, joys and sufferings. Grant that, enlivened by the Holy Spirit and united to Jesus in the Eucharist, my life this day may be of service to you and to others. And with Mary and the whole Church I pray especially for the Pope's intention for April: for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.*

**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@safeguardraos.org.uk](mailto:hartleysg1@safeguardraos.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>



Tea, Coffee, Juice will be available after Mass in the Meeting Room, all are welcome



<b>Saturday 9th April</b> <b>Morning: Feria</b>	<b>No Morning Mass</b> Open for Private Prayer from 10.00am 4.30pm-5.20pm Confessions 5.00pm-5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer
<b>Mass of Palm Sunday</b>	5.30pm Mass: Digna Quigley, deceased (Knights of St. Columba) Baptism: Mollie Anne Hinde Bonner
<b>Sunday 10th April</b> <b>Palm Sunday of the</b> <b>Passion of the Lord</b> <b>2nd Collection: Easter Candles</b>	08.00am-08.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer 08.30am Mass: Digna Quigley, deceased (Bernie, Jim) 10.15am Mass: Joy and Cyril Foster, deceased (Valerie)
<b>Monday 11th April</b> Monday of Holy Week	No Mass
<b>Tuesday 12th April</b> Tuesday of Holy Week	08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer 09.30am Mass: In the meeting room. No livestream Mass today
<b>Wednesday 13th April</b> Wednesday of Holy Week	No Mass
<b>Thursday 14th April</b> <b>Maundy Thursday</b>	<b>The Easter Triduum</b> <b>The Mass of the Lord's Supper</b> <b>7.00pm</b>
<b>Friday 15th April</b> <b>Friday of the Passion of the</b> <b>Lord</b> <b>(Good Friday)</b>	<b>A day of fasting and abstinence</b> <b>The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord</b> <b>3.00pm</b> <b>A Collection will be taken today for 'The Holy Places'</b>
<b>Saturday 16th April</b> Morning: Holy Saturday	The Church waits at the Lord's tomb in prayer and fasting, meditating on his Passion and Death and on his Descent into Hell and waiting his Resurrection
<b>Saturday Evening</b> <b>THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY</b> <b>NIGHT</b> <b>Collection: Easter Offering to</b> <b>the parish priest</b>	<b>The Season of Easter</b> <b>7.00pm The Easter Vigil:</b> All those received into full Communion <b>The 50 days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost</b> <b>Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day,</b> <b>indeed as one 'great Sunday.' The first 8 days of easter</b> <b>constitute the Octave of Easter.</b>
<b>Sunday 17th April</b> <b>EASTER SUNDAY OF THE</b> <b>RESURRECTION OF THE LORD</b> <b>Collection: Easter Offering</b>	08.00am-08.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and private prayer 08.30am Mass: People of the Parish 10.15am Mass: Digna Quigley, deceased (Sally)

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