# Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter May 29th 2022

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Parish Youtube: https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m

To make a Bank Donation: Nat West Account RCAS Hartley: 34143580 sort code: 60-06-33 To donate to the Thatch Fund: Nat West Account RCAS Hartley: 34363181 sort code: 60-06-33

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

Seventh Sunday of Easter (C) In the Parish Mass Book, Page 281

1st Reading: Acts 7:55-60, 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 22: 12-14,16-17,20 Gospel: John 17: 20-26

WELCOME: everyone joining us today for Mass.

If you are attending Mass It is no longer necessary to book; wearing a face mask is optional, but we will continue to sanitise our hands on entering and leaving the church. Seating on the right side of the church is for anyone needing social distance.

**Tea and coffee** is served in the meeting room after weekend Masses, please join us for a drink & a chat

**The Church is Open** Weekdays Tuesday-Friday 08.45am-4.00pm; Saturdays from 10.00am.

For Daily and Sunday Mass Readings, Morning Evening Prayer: <a href="https://www.universalis.com/">https://www.universalis.com/</a>

**Confessions:** Fr Patrick will be available in the Confessional on Saturdays 4.30-5.20pm; and on weekdays Tues - Fri 8.40-9.20am, or you can book an appointment for a time convenient to you.

**Please pray for** the repose of the soul of Digna Quigley and especially for the well-being of Michael and Pat Brown and for all our housebound and sick parishioners, & their families and carers.

**The Adult Choir** will be singing at the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 28th May.

Sunday is World Communications Day and our Diocesan 2nd Collection this weekend is to support the work of the Catholic Communications Network.

### Our 2nd Collection on 5th June: The Spiritans

The Feast of Pentecost is a very important feast for The Spiritans, previously known as The Holy Ghost Fathers. This year, our 2nd Collection on 5th June will go towards supporting the mission of the Spiritans, that is, the formation and training of students for the priesthood and religious life. Thank you in advance for your support and kindness.

Pentecost Novena We are praying the Novena together 10 minutes before the start of Mass each day in the nine successive days between the Feast of the Ascension and Pentecost, when the disciples gathered in the upper room and devoted themselves to prayer. Copies of the Novena are available in the church and we hope that those who cannot attend Mass have received a copy by email to join us through the livestream.

**The 200 Club May Draw** will take place after 8.30am Mass on Sunday 29th May. To join the Draw, speak to Kate or Tina before 8.30 Mass.

Parish Youth Group Fun Day!

Saturday 25th June 2022 from 10.00am

2.00pm at Our Lady of Hartley School

Our Parish Youth Group are organizing a fantastic Fun Day for all the young people in the parish. Please see the poster attached to the newsletter for the great activities and games they have planned

**Free Entry** 

To help make this day a great success they will need some support from adults.

Our young leaders will be speaking at Mass this weekend to give us more of the details & to let us know how we can best support them in their first of many great adventures. Please take a minute to stop and speak with them on your way out of Mass this weekend. Thankyou so much

# Parish Open Air Mass and Celebration

We are planning to hold Our Open Air Mass this year on Sunday 25th September at 10.30am on the playground at Our Lady of Hartley School. The Mass will also be a Celebration for all the Sacraments received through out the year.

This will be our one Mass in the parish on the weekend of 24th/25th September.

The June edition of The Hart Magazine features an article written by Phil Kerton. There are some copies available in the porch or speak to Carol Wilton if you would like an annual subscription.

**First Holy Communion Class** will resume on Sunday 12th June at 9.30am in the school.

**Children's Liturgy** for children in YR–Y2 will also resume on Sunday 12th June at the 10.15am Mass. Please speak with Fr Patrick if you would like to help Victoria and Patrina with this ministry.

**Confirmation Catechist/s** If there is any one or two people who would be willing to help with preparing our young people to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2023, please email or speak to Fr Patrick to find out what is involved.

**Visitation** If you or someone in your family is housebound and would like a priest to visit, please speak with Fr Patrick.

Our Parish Youtube channel is now showing the Parish Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Hartley which took place on Saturday 7th May. Click below to watch <a href="https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m">https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m</a>.

You can also view the **Confirmation Mass** from 8th May & the **Easter Vigil Mass** from 16th April.

Youth Choir and Adult Choir Thanks to Lucila Davis and Yvonne Hegarty for leading our Youth Choir and Adult Choir to sing at Mass. Any school child is welcome to join our Youth Choir. Parents can pick up a Consent Form in the church or from the parish website to download and submit.

If you are interested in joining the Adult Choir, please speak to Yvonne or email her at yhegarty@talktalk.net. Thankyou

**Youth Ministry** for young people who are interested in being a Welcomer/Reader/Altar Server. Parental consent Forms are available in the porch & on the parish website. Please speak with Fr Patrick if your child is interested to take part, thankyou.

# From Our Lady of Hartley School

It has been a special week at Our lady of Hartley as we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The children have been taking part in lots of exciting activities including the designing of jubilee monuments, writing poetry about the Queen's reign and even designing and making a special Royal Kennel Palace for Corgis. The week has ended with th esun shining on our Platinum Jubilee Celebration on the school field. Once again, we thank our wonderful PTA for organising this special event and for their team of volunteers who have worked so hard to make this a special day. 'The Queen Rules'- written by Mr Baldock and illustrated by pupils and teachers, this beautiful book to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth will be on sale at the school next week, £6 per copy. Contact us on 01474706385 or email office@our-lady-hartley.kcsp.org.uk.

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 first contact Fr. Patrick and he will put you in touch with us.

**Darent Valley Hospital:** Fr Pat Zammit is the RC Chaplain at Darent Valley hospital. It is essential that patients' families make their catholicity clearly known to hospital authorities, thankyou.

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

**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 confidential financial support to families. Contact us through the parish office'.

Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, July 9th at St George's Cathedral 3pm: If you are celebrating 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>/40<sup>th</sup>/50<sup>th</sup>/ 60<sup>t</sup> + wedding anniversary this year, please apply as soon as possible, and no later than May 31st. To receive an invitation from the Archbishop, please contact mflkent@rcaos.org.uk Spaces are limited.

## **Ukraine- Sevenoaks Welcomes Refugees (SWR)**

SWR is a locally registered charity helping to support refugees resettling in the Sevenoaks District Council area, as part of the UK Government's refugee resettlement schemes. We are all volunteers helping to support the resettlement of refugee families. We have over 120 Ukrainian families in the area and the numbers are climbing. We are keen to recruit volunteers to support refugee families. - welcoming, help with learning English (no training required for native speakers), recruiting landlords, finding jobs, providing lifts, sourcing necessary household items, supporting our marketing and administration teams etc Please contact ben.andradi@icloud.com

Ben Andradi is presently the Chair of the Finance Committee, Sevenoaks Parish.

**Our Parish Nat West Bank Account** has been renamed RCAS Hartley. Please use this heading for cheques and all bank references. Thankyou

Thatch Fund: £45,000.00 Target to reach in 2023. Thankyou for your £1 a Week donation. 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 at: Nat West RCAS Hartley. Account

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The new Contactless Giving Machine is now in place in the church porch and ready to be used. For those of us who are not familiar with the system, some one will be at hand to assist.

If you would like to make a One-Off cash Donation, please use the white envelopes available Thankyou

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

If you are a tax payer please consider giving monthly by Bank Standing Order. Fill in a Pledge Form and help secure 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 to -

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.

Parish 200 Cub 200 Club: Membership is open. Draws take place on the last Sunday of each month for 1st and 2nd Prizes. Information, Membership Forms and Rules are available in the church porch or to download from the parish website.

**PARISH DATABASE:** It is important that you register yourself/your family on the Parish Database. Please download a copy of **Parish Database Form** from the parish website or take a copy from the porch, fill it in and return it to the parish office.

Mass Intentions: If you would like someone to be prayed for please write the details on a Mass Intentions envelope and post it through the door at White Friars or bring it when you come to Mass.

All intentions for Mass would be published in the Newsletter & names are written in the frame at 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 advise you on how to proceed.

### **Prayer Resources:**

https://pray-as-you-go. org/index.php https:www.crosswalk.com devotionals/your-dailyprayer/

http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk/the-wednesday-word/

http://www.southwarkdsc.org. uk/ways-into-prayer Come, Pray the Rosary is an online Rosary you can use for worldwide or individual prayer. Click on

<u>Come, Pray the Rosary An online Rosary for</u> participation in worldwide or individual prayer.

**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.

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 May: for Faith-Filled Young People.

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.



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
Refreshments will be available after Mass in the Meeting Room, all are welcome



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| Saturday 28th May Feria  Mass of Sunday   | No Morning Mass Church is open for private prayer from 10am 4.30pm-5.20pm Confessions 5.00-5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer Pentecost Novena day 2 5.30pm Mass: Patrick Anthony McClelland, deceased (Doreen) |
| Sunday 29th May<br>7th Sunday of Easter<br>Diocesan 2nd Collection:<br>World Communications Day | We will pray the Pentecost Novena Day 3 before each Mass 08.00-08.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 08.30am Mass: For the well-being of Michael and Pat Brown. 10.15am Mass: People of the Parish                |
| Monday 30th May   | No Mass Pray the Pentecost Novena Day 4 in your own time today   |
| Tuesday 31st May The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast                               | 08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer Pentecost Novena day 5 09.30am Mass:  |
| <b>Wednesday 1st June</b> St. Justin, Martyr, Memorial  | 08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer Pentecost Novena day 6 09.30am Mass:  |
| Thursday 2nd June Feria/ Saints Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs                                    | 08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer Pentecost Novena day 7 09.30am Mass:  |
| Friday 3rd June St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs, Memorial                               | 08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer Pentecost Novena Day 8 09.30am Mass:  |
| Saturday 4th June Feria  Vigil Mass of Pentecost 2nd Collection: The Spiritans                  | No Morning Mass 4.30pm-5.20pm Confessions 5.00-5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer Pentecost Novena day 9 5.30pm Mass: People of the Parish  |
| Sunday 5th June<br>Pentecost Sunday<br>2nd Collection: The Spiritans                            | 08.00-08.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 08.30am Mass: 10.15am Mass: Digna Quigley, deceased, and Quigley family (Angela)  |

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