

Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter June 19th 2022

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To make a Bank Donation: Nat West Account RCAS Hartley: 34143580 sort code: 60-06-33

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

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) Parish Mass Book Year C Vol 2, Page 83

1st Reading: Genesis 14:18-20 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Sequence * Gospel: Luke 9: 11- 17

WELCOME: everyone joining us today for Mass.

If you are attending Mass please sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the church. Seating on the right side of the church is primarily for any one needing social distance. Thankyou.

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: <https://www.universalis.com/>

Confessions: Fr Patrick will be available in the Confessional on Saturdays 4.30-5.20pm. Weekdays Tues - Fri from 8.40-9.20am, Fr Patrick will be in the church if you would like Confession during that time or you can book an appointment for a time that is convenient to you.

Welcome Fr James Fasakin who will celebrate our Masses this weekend while Fr Patrick will be away from the parish, attending a meeting.

Happy Father's Day on Sunday to all fathers.

Our adult choir will be singing at 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 25th June.

Please pray for all our housebound and sick parishioners and their carers.

'Alone, but together!' There are 10 copies left of Fr Patrick's published book of Spiritual Reflections. The cost is £20 per copy, and

all proceeds go to The Missionaries of Charity, founded by St Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Copies are on sale in the porch, just ask one of the Mass stewards. Please place cash, or a cheque made to Fr. Patrick Adusei Poku - in an envelope

marked 'Fr Patrick's Book'. Thankyou for your charity and your support.



Parish Youth Group Fun Day!

Saturday 25th June 2022 10.00am - 2.00pm at Our Lady of Hartley School.

Entry is Free!

PLEASE BRING DONATIONS of water, juice, coke, crisps or sweets to the church from this weekend – Cakes can brought thurs/ fri or Saturday morning–PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT YOU ARE BRINGING SO THAT WE CAN CALCULATE BEFORE SATURDAY WHAT WE WILL STILL NEED- THANKYOU SO MUCH!

Without your help we cannot hold our event. Please sign up after Mass, through the parish office, or at the school, through Claire Dunne. **We need ADULTS to help us:**

1. Set up at 8am Clear up at 2pm.
2. Supervise races, games, inflatables
3. Serve BBQ food, Serve tea & cakes
4. Sell Raffle Tickets, Steward the event

Financial contributions are very gratefully accepted: cash, cheque, online to the parish bank account, or using the contactless machine at church, referencing your donation 'Youth' Thankyou

Buy some raffle Tickets! On sale after Mass, through the parish office or school - you can use the contactless machine to pay for tickets, choose 'Youth' on the options.



From Our Lady of Hartley School: This week we have been making the best of the summer weather as Yr2 enjoy a trip to the seaside and children across the school practise for next week's Sports Day. Coming up we have a Yr6 trip to the Houses of Parliament and Yr5 will be joining children from other schools in the Kent Catholic Schools Partnership for a special event called One Mind, One Heart at Aylesford Priory. We hope the sun will continue to shine on these and other exciting activities planned for the summer term.



Thanks to the children and teachers from Yrs 5 & 6 who attended Mass on Wednesday 15th June. Pupils and teachers from Years 3 and 4 will be attending Mass On Wednesday 29th June. **Parents, Grandparents, and parishioners are invited to join us for Mass to support the children. Thankyou.**

Day for Life 2022 *'Do not cast me off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent'* Psalm 71:9

'Day for Life' is the day in our calendar set aside to celebrate life from conception to natural death. This year the focus is on caring for and valuing the elderly. Funds raised from this second collection support various Day for Life initiatives, which focus on upholding the dignity of every human life from conception to natural death. Please do support this work in any way you feel able.

Papal Blessing *A message and blessing from Pope Francis on the occasion of the Day for Life 2022.*

'Elderly make essential contribution to the spiritual and material wellbeing of society'

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/pope-elderly-make-essential-contribution-to-the-spiritualand-material-wellbeing-of-society/>

'Come Home' Our Archbishop John Wilson asks us to share a short letter of invitation with those we know who have not yet returned to Sunday Mass. The letter to you, and 'Invitation' cards are available in the porch. For more, visit <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/comehome>

First Holy Communion Class on Sunday 19th June at 9.30am in the school. Please drop your child at the school for 9.30am. Children should be picked up from meeting room at the end of 10.15am Mass. **Children's Liturgy** for children in YR–Y2 on Sunday 19th June, takes place during the 10.15am Mass. Please speak with Fr Patrick if you would like to help with this ministry.

Confirmation Catechist/s Any one or two people willing to help with preparing our young people to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2023, please email or speak to Fr Patrick, thankyou.

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

Helping with counting the weekly Collections: If you can help with counting the weekly collections on Tuesday mornings at 10.15am in the presbytery., a rota basis, please email the parish office or speak with Fr Patrick.

Youth Choir and Adult Choir Thanks to Lucila Davis for leading our Youth Choir to sing at Mass. **All primary and secondary school children are 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 when you come along to the next practise. Thankyou also to Yvonne Hegarty for leading our Adult Choir. **If you are interested in joining the Adult Choir,** please speak to Yvonne or email yhegarty@talktalk.net.

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.

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.

Donation Box for Gravesend Foodbank Please

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. This will also be a Celebration for all the Sacraments received through out the year.

There will be one Mass in the parish on the Sunday 25th September, NO 8.30am Mass.

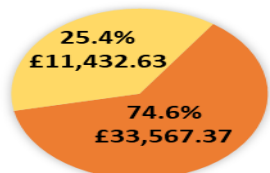
place non perishable foods and items in the Food Bank Box situated in the porch. Thankyou

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'

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.



■ 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 at: Nat West RCAS Hartley. Account number 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33.

The new Contactless Giving Machine is now in place in the church.

PLANNED GIVING & GIFT AIDED DONATIONS

If you are a tax payer please consider joining 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.

St Francis de Sales 200 Club: Membership is open.

Our June Draw will take place next Sunday, 26th June after the 8.30am Mass. Membership Forms Information and Rules are all available in the church porch or to download from the parish website. Please speak to Tina or Kate at 8.30 Mass if you would like to enter this month's Draw.

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, thankyou.

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: www.pray-as-you-go.org.uk
<https://www.crosswalk.com/devotionals/your-daily-prayer/>
<http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk/the-wednesday-word/>
<http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/ways-into-prayer>
<https://catholicnovenapp.com/novenas/sacred-heart-novena/>

Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. On the first day of June, Pope Francis urged Catholics to look to the Sacred Heart of Jesus as a source of love and to bring Christ's love "to the ends of the earth." **"Today we begin the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, source of love and peace. Open yourselves to this love and take it 'to the ends of the earth,' witnessing to the goodness and mercy that flow from the Heart of Jesus."**

The Feast of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus falls on the Friday after the 2nd Sunday after Pentecost in the Church's calendar, this year, on 24th June.




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, otherwise contact our **Parish Safeguarding Representative Mrs Victoria Foley: hartleysg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk** You can contact Victoria on 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 in June : for Families***
We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You.

**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** 

Saturday 18th June Morning: Feria/Blessed Virgin Mary	No Morning Mass. The Church is open for private prayer from 10am
Mass of Sunday	4.30pm-5.20pm Confessions in the Confessional 5.00-5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 5.30pm Mass: Intention of Sue Gregory’s neighbour (Sue)
Sunday 19th June CORPUS CHRISTI, THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD 2nd Collection: Day for Life Diocesan Collection	08.00-08.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 08.30am Mass: For all fathers on Father’s Day. 10.15am Mass: For the success of our Youth Group Fun Day.
Monday 20th June	No Mass
Tuesday 21st June Feria	08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 09.30am Mass:
Wednesday 22nd June Feria	08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 09.30am Mass:
Thursday 23rd June The Nativity of St. John the Baptist, Solemnity	08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 09.30am Mass People of the Parish
Friday 24th June Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	08.45-09.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 09.30am Mass:
Saturday 25th June Morning: The Immaculate heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Memorial	No Morning Mass The Church is open for private prayer from 10am
Mass of Sunday	4.30pm-5.20pm Confessions 5.00-5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 5.30pm Mass:
Sunday 26th June 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 2nd Collection: Peter’s Pence Diocesan Collection	08.00-08.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer 08.30am Mass: 10.15am Mass: People of the Parish

For a newsletter emailed weekly, or to suggest articles/additions, contact the parish secretary: hartley@rcaos.org.uk. Newsletter items received after 11am Friday may not be included that week.

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