Oratory of St. Francis de Sales Parish Newsletter June 26th 2022 Address: 'White Friars' Church Road, Hartley, Kent DA3 8DW Parish Priest: Fr Patrick Adusei Poku C.S.Sp 07766 254987 <u>patrickaduseipoku@rcaos.org.uk</u> Parish Secretary: 01474 705361, <u>hartley@rcaos.org.uk</u> Parish Council: <u>hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk</u> Parish website: <u>http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk</u> Parish Facebook page: <u>www.facebook.com/StFrancisDeSalesHartley</u> Join us on <u>https://twitter.com/sfdhartley</u> and <u>https://www.instagram.com/sfdhartley/</u> Parish Youtube : <u>https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m</u> 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

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time year C Parish Mass Book Year C Vol 2, Page 102 1st Reading: 1 Kings 19: 16, 19-21. 2nd Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18 Gospel: Luke 9: 51-62

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.

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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of David Brennan who died recently all pray for all our housebound and sick parishioners.

'Alone, but together!' There are just a few 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! is happening Tomorrow! Saturday 25th June 2022 10.00am - 2.00pm at Our Lady of Hartley School. *Entry is Free!* 

Bouncy Castle, Last Man Standing, Mega Slide, Races, Face Painting, BBQ, Drinks, and lots more- fun for everyone!

PLEASE BRING DONATIONS of water, juice, coke, cakes, crisps or sweets to the school field from 8am.

We need ADULTS to help us:

- 1. Set up <u>at 8am</u> Clear up <u>at 2pm.</u>
- **2.** Supervise inflatables
  - 3. Serve BBQ food, Serve tea & cakes
- 4. Sell Raffle Tickets, Steward the event

Buy some Raffle Tickets! There are great prizes - Hampers, Vouchers for Pizza Hut, Nando's and Blue Water! Tickets will be on sale throughout the day - you can use the contactless machine to pay for tickets, choose 'Youth' on the options. See you all at 10am– 2.00pm tomorrow, June 25th.

St Francis de Sales 200 Club: Membership is open. Our June Draw will take place this 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.

**The Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul** Pupils and teachers from Years 3 and 4 will be attending Mass

on Wednesday 29th June, which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Parents, Grandparents, and parishioners are invited to join us for Mass and to support all the children taking part. Thankyou.

## From Our Lady of Hartley School: Our

thanks to all of you who were able to come along to our Sports Day this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and it was a pleasure to welcome families back into school for another outdoor event in the warm sunshine. A big thank you to Mr Baldock for organising the day, to the staff for supporting the children and to our wonderful PTA for providing the refreshments and organising the ever-popular Bake-Off. We must also mention the amazing children of Year 6 who supported the infants during their activities. Their maturity, kindness and care was truly wonderful to see and we are all very proud.

**First Holy Communion Class on Sunday 26th 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 26th June,** takes place during the 10.15am Mass. Please speak with Fr Patrick if you would like to help with this ministry. Children's Liturgy will not take place next Sunday 3rd July.

**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 directly or contact the parish office.

**Helping with counting the weekly Collections:** If you can help with counting the weekly collections on Tuesday mornings at 10.15am in the presbytery on 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 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'.

**'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

Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation: The Archdiocese of Southwark is holding their Spring Assembly on the 25th June from 10.30 am in Dover on the theme 'Caught in the Act'.

During the meeting those assembled will consider how we can offer hospitality in the challenging circumstances of our contemporary world, especially for those fleeing war, and encountering climate and economic disaster, when the Nationality and Borders Act, and removal to Rwanda threaten their very being? There will also be guidance on navigating the challenges and opportunities of offering safe sanctuary to Ukrainian Refugees. Visit the website here:

https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/mission/justicepeace-integrity-of-creation/

Cathedral Young Adults Group - Summer Series Talk - Holiness: St John Paul the Great. St George's Cathedral is currently running a number of talks for

## 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.

Apart from Saturday evening 5.30pm Mass, there will be one Mass in the parish on the Sunday 25th September, NO 8.30am Mass.

those in their 20s and 30s, on the theme of Vocation and Mission. On 30th June at 6.30 pm, Joanna Bogle will talk about the Universal call to holiness, inspired by the example of Pope John Paul II with the theme: Holiness: St John Paul the Great. On 14th July at 6.30 pm in St George's Cathedral Hall (next to the Cathedral) Peter D. Williams, an experienced apologist and media representative, will give an overview of how to defend key elements of the faith with the theme Giving an account: Apologetics in Action. The talk is aimed at those in their 20s & 30s and it will be followed by wine, juice and nibbles. All are welcome.

**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 number

<u>34363181</u> 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/Chequepayable 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 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.

**Building A Better Marriage** is a morning online course aimed at married couples, whether they have been married a few years or decades. For dates & details contact Carole Batty 07983 524 727

**Prayer Resources: www.**pray-as-you-go.org.uk https:www.crosswalk.com devotionals/your-dailyprayer/

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

http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/ways-into-prayer https://catholicnovenaapp.com/novenas/sacredheart-novena/

**Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.** 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."

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

Saturday 25th June	No Morning Mass. The Church is open for private prayer from 10am	
Morning: The Immaculate heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Memorial Mass of Sunday	4.30pm-5.20pm 5.00-5.30pm 5.30pm Mass:	Confessions in the Confessional Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer
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Sunday 26th June 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	08.00-08.30am 08.30am Mass:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer
2nd Collection: Peter's Pence Diocesan Collection	10.15am Mass:	People of the Parish
Monday 27th June Feria/St Cyril of Alexandria	No Mass	
Tuesday 28th June St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr, Mem	08.45-09.30am 09.30am Mass:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer
Wednesday 29th June Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles, Solemnity, Holy Day of Obligation	08.45-09.30am 09.30am Mass:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer
<b>Thursday 30th June</b> Feria/The First Martyrs of Holy Roman Church	08.45-09.30am 09.30am Mass	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer
<b>Friday 1st July</b> Feria/St Oliver Plunkett, Bishop, Martyr.	08.45-09.30am 09.30am Mass:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer
Saturday 2nd July Morning: Feria/Blessed Virgin Mary	No Morning Mas 4.30pm-5.20pm	s The Church is open for private prayer from 10am
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Mass of Sunday	5.00-5.30pm 5.30pm Mass:	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer
Sunday 3rd July 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & private prayer People of the Parish
Year C 2nd Collection: Altar Flowers	10.15am Mass:	
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