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**NOVEMBER – MONTH OF PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS**

If you would like a loved one to be remembered in our prayers this month, please take a **NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS** envelope from the church porch, fill in the details and return the envelope to the presbytery, or when you come to Mass. Where an offering has been made, Mass will be offered for those named in your intention. All names will be written in our Remembrance Book which is placed by the Altar. Please place photos of your loved ones and place them in front of the Altar.

**MASS FOR ALL DECEASED PARISHIONERS**

On Saturday 26th November at 12 noon, Mass will be offered for all our deceased parishioners and relatives, and those named in our Remembrance Book.

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY- 13th NOVEMBER 2022**

Our parish will lead the Remembrance Day Service at Hartley War Memorial on Ash Road at 3pm. All are invited to gather and join in praying for those who gave their lives in service during the World Wars.

**ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND**

The Archbishop's Appeal seeks to invest faith, hope, love, and charity into three key areas of mission and ministry in the Archdiocese of Southwark: **Youth and Evangelisation** To strengthen the formation of young people in the faith within our schools and parishes, enhance the faith life of parishioners, support the work of parish catechists, enhance the faith journeys of new Catholics; and for Southwark to become an evangelising and missionary Archdiocese. **Our Faith in Action** To show compassionate and active service in the world around us through love for all people: the protection of human dignity, respect for the interconnectedness of our world and common home, the Earth. **Clergy Care and Formation** To care for sick and retired priests in their old age and ill health. Supporting the ongoing formation of our priests, deacons, and seminarians. Providing on-going formation of clergy in active ministry.

**Together, our support can have significant impact in our faith community. A portion of the monies raised will be granted to parishes and Catholic schools to support local projects. Please use the Appeal envelopes provided, thank you.**

**The church is open**

**Tues-Fri**

08.45am-4.00pm

**Sat** 10.00am-6.30pm

**Sun** 7.45am-12noon

**SUNDAY MASSES**

**Sat Vigil 5:30pm**

Int: Rose Parsons R.I.P

**Sunday 08.30am**

Int: People of Parish

**Sunday 10.15am**

Int: Emmanuel, Andrew & Christina, Okoli R.I.P.

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

**Tues: 9.30am**

Int: Winifred,

Bernadette, James & Gladys, Connelly R.I.P.

**Wed: 9.30am**

Int: Daniel, Mary & David, Van Hesteren, and Ellen Allport R.I.P.

**Thurs: 9.30am**

Int: Butson and Denis families, deceased.

**Fri: 9.30am**

Bernard and Rose Evans. R.I.P.

**CONFESSIONS**

**Tues-Fri** 8.40 -9.20am

**Sat** 4.30-5.20pm

or by appointment

**PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS: TUES, THURS, FRI 10.00am-2.00pm - Tel 01474705361**

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**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PRIEST**

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## PARISH NOTICES

**POSTPONED QUIZ NITE – Saturday 12th November 2022. This will be rescheduled early in 2023.**

### **YOUTH SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER**

On the last Sunday of Ordinary Time before Advent begins, the Church celebrates the Feast of Christ the King. On a Diocesan level, we also celebrate Youth Sunday and the **Youth Group are inviting you to join them in Our Lady of Hartley school hall after 10.15am Mass next Sunday for a light brunch and a chance to meet them and each other.** We ask that children be accompanied by an adult, thank you.

### **NEW PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE and APPEAL FOR AN ASSISTING VOLUNTEER.**

Mrs Judith Stephens has very kindly offered to step into the volunteer role of parish safeguarding representative in place of Mrs Victoria Foley, who has served the parish for some 15 years in this position. We are very grateful to Victoria for her dedication, and to Judith for taking on this role.

**If you could assist Judith in the area of Parish Safeguarding** and would like to discuss the role further, then please speak to Fr Alphonsus or contact the parish office.

### **CELEBRATING ADVENT**

All in the parish are invited to the meeting room from 8 pm to 9 pm on Friday 25th November, 2nd December, 9th December and 16th December. On each of the four Fridays we will consider the readings for the following Sundays in Advent. We will then reflect on what the texts meant to the early Christians, what they mean to us now, and what the Holy Spirit might be saying to us through them. Please try to come on at least one of the Fridays as part of the parish Advent preparation for Christmas.

### **PARISH 2022 WORLD CUP SWEEPSTAKE**

As the World Cup 2022 starts in Qatar on Sunday 20th November 2022, this weekend sees the Raffle Tickets for our Parish Sweepstake go on sale after Mass, until 3pm on Sunday 20th November 2022. £1.00 a Ticket or £5.00 for a Strip of Five Tickets

For those of you who are unable to attend and would like to take part, please contact the Parish Office and Tickets will be arranged.

The Winners will be announced on 19th December

2022 – 24 hours after the Final has taken place and based on the results published on the FIFA Website.

The Prizes will be £50.00 for the Winning Team, £20.00 for the Team who come in 2nd and £10.00 for the Team who come Third.

The Sweepstake is open to Everyone.

Please give generously as it is for a very good cause. Good Luck and enjoy the Football Season

### **PARISH CAROL SERVICE- DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Sunday 11th December at 3pm in the church. More information in next week's newsletter.

## CATACHETICAL PROGRAMMES

Parishioners are asked to first check the **SACRAMENTS** section on the parish website; it has general information on the programmes. Please speak with Fr Alphonsus for any further advice. Please note that Sacramental programmes for school-aged children are lead by the parish, and are not school programmes. **Families wishing to enrol for Sacramental programmes must be registered parishioners of St Francis de Sales.**

### **BAPTISM FOR BABIES AND INFANTS**

Parents of infants and those seeking Baptism, please attend a weekend Mass and speak with Fr. Alphonsus afterwards to register for the Baptism course. **If you have not yet registered your family on the parish database, you need to complete and submit a Parish Registration Form, available from the church or parish website, thank you.**

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY – FOR CHILDREN YR TO Y2**

Will take place this Sunday 13th November, at the 10.15am Mass. Please bring your child to the meeting room **before** the start of Mass. Thank you

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION**

The next Preparation Class is on Sunday 13th November 9.30am in Our Lady of Hartley School. **Please collect your child from the school after 10.15am Mass, around 11.15am. Thank you.**

### **CONFIRMATION IN 2023**

**The program will commence soon. Those who have applied will be notified of the date.** If any young person in school year 8 or above by would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in

2023, Application Forms are available in the church porch or on the parish website. Parents should speak to Fr Alphonsus and return completed forms to the parish office.

### **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

**Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic?** If you have never been baptized, if you were baptized in another Christian denomination and would like to become Catholic, or if you were baptized Catholic, but never received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation, you are welcome to join the RCIA programme, the process by which adults become Catholic. Likewise, if you are Catholic and interested in learning more about the Faith, you are welcome to join. **Please speak to Fr Alphonsus if you are interested in joining the course this year. Lessons take place on Saturday mornings in the church meeting room.**

### **RECEIVING COMMUNION**

Any adult who does not receive Communion, please do come and speak with Fr Alphonsus for guidance.

## **REGULAR NOTICES**

### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

We welcome all new parishioners to St Francis de Sales, Hartley. We want you to feel at home in the parish. **The first thing to do is to register yourself/ your family on the Parish registration Database.** Parish Registration Forms are available in the porch, or on the parish website to complete and return.

**REFRESHMENTS** in the meeting room after Mass. Please stop in for a drink and chat, all are welcome.

### **MARRIAGE PAPERWORK PROCESS**

You are required to give 6 MONTHS NOTICE of MARRIAGE – whether it is taking place HERE or ABROAD. Couples or individuals should speak to a Priest VERY EARLY IN THE PROCESS – so that there is no last minute rush.

### **OUR LADY OF HARTLEY RC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

For the latest news, please visit the school website at [www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk](http://www.ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk)

### **VISITING THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

If you or someone in your family is housebound and would like a priest to visit, please do contact Father Alphonsus directly or call the parish office, thankyou

### **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP**

We have a small, friendly group here at St. Francis de Sales whose members can visit to meet up and chat or maybe just to lend a listening ear. Please first contact Fr. Alphonsus and he will put you in touch with us.

### **DONATION BOX FOR GRAVESEND FOODBANK**

Non perishable items can be left in the Food Bank Box in the Meeting Room at Mass time or in the box in the porch. Thankyou so much for your support.

### **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’.

### **‘SEEKING SANCTUARY’ DONATIONS NEEDED.**

Toiletries, hats, gloves & warm clothing for young men, can be left in the blue box in the meeting room. Thankyou for your kindness to those in need.

### **ST FRANCIS DE SALES 200 CLUB**

To become a 200 Club member, the relevant Information, forms and details for payment are available in the church porch and on the website.

### **THATCH FUND**

**Our funding stands at £35,266.26 of the £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/ £52 annual standing order at: **Nat West RCAS Hartley Acc 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33.** If you are a tax payer and use the parish Gift Aid scheme, *please* put your £1 in an envelope marked with your GA number so we can claim back 25p on each £1 you give, thankyou. You can also donate via our JustGiving page – go to [www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley](http://www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley)

### **PLANNED GIVING AND GIFT AIDED DONATIONS**

*If you are a taxpayer, please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme, 25p in every £1 can be claimed back by the parish.* You can: (i) Set up a Bank Standing Order (ii) Donate Online (iii) Use Weekly Envelopes (iv) Cash/Cheque payable to RCAS Hartley (v) One off Donation (vi) use Contactless machine. **Online donations to: Nat West Account RCAS Hartley: 34143580 sort code: 60-06-33 Thank you**

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

**ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL 2022 will be supported by our 2nd Collection this week.**

Please see the front page of the newsletter and visit [www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal) to learn more.

### TEXTS FOR THIS SUNDAY'S MASSES

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**

**Malachi 3: 19-20** For you the sun of righteousness will shine out.

**Psalms Response** *The Lord come to rule the peoples with fairness*

**2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12** Do not let anyone have food if he refuses to work.

**Luke 21: 5-19** Your endurance will win you your lives.

### TEXTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S MASSES

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year C**

**2 Samuel 5:1-3** They anointed David king of Israel

**Psalms Response** *I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'*

**Colossians 1: 12-20** He has created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves.

**Luke 23: 35-43** Lord, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

**FOR DAILY PRAYERS AND MASS READINGS ONLINE, VISIT** <https://www.universalis.com/>

### PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

#### **ADULT CHOIR**

Every Thursday at 7:30pm in the church, unless stated otherwise in the newsletter. New members welcome. Contact: Yvonne Hegarty [yhegarty@talktalk.net](mailto:yhegarty@talktalk.net)

#### **KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA**

Third Wednesday each month at 7:00pm in the church meeting room. New members welcome. Contact: William Rons [williamrons@hotmail.com](mailto:williamrons@hotmail.com)

#### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP)**

Monthly. Contact confidentially through the parish office [Hartley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:Hartley@rcaos.org.uk)

## **CATHOLIC WELCOME CIRCLE (CWC)**

Second Wednesday each month in the church meeting room at 2:00pm unless stated otherwise. Contact Margaret Walsh through the parish office

### **YOUTH GROUP**

Leaders' meetings will take place in the meeting room. Contact: Laura Bourne through the parish office.

### **OFFERTORY COLLECTION 6th NOVEMBER 2022**

**Envelopes: £41.00 Loose Plate: £35.80**

**Contactless machine: £30.00**

**2nd Collection: £89.10**

**Thatch Fund: £69.95**

### **2nd Collection this weekend 13th November:**

**The Archbishop's Appeal 2022**

**This is a Diocesan Collection**

**Please use the Special Appeal Envelopes and please Gift Aid your donation, if possible.**

*Thankyou for your generosity and support,  
may God bless you all.*

**2nd Collection 20th November: CYS**

**Catholic Youth Services, Diocesan Collection.**

### **PRAYER FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**

*Father, we thank you for the gift of your Son in the Eucharist. We now place before you all the sick and housebound of our parish.*

*As they share in this Eucharist with us, we pray that they may come to know the depth of your love for them and, the joy, the peace and healing of your presence. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER**

*'We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.'*

For a newsletter emailed weekly, or to suggest articles/additions, contact the parish secretary: [hartley@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:hartley@rcaos.org.uk). **Newsletter items received after 11:00am Friday may not be included that week.**

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