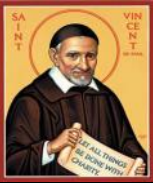




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Roman Catholic Parish
Archdiocese of Southwark

Parish Newsletter 14th April 2024
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St. Francis de Sales Live Stream: www.churchservices.tvhartley

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| | MASS INTENTIONS | THE CHURCH IS OPEN: |
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| SUNDAY 14th April | 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER | Tuesday - Friday |
| SAT VIGIL 5:30pm | Int. STEVEN SELBY, WELL-BEING | 8:45am-3:00pm |
| SUN 8:30am | Int. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH | Saturday |
| 10:15am | Int. MR AND MRS Mc DONAGH R.I.P. | 10:00am-6:30pm |
| MON 15th APRIL | PRIVATE MASS | Sunday |
| TUES 16th APRIL | | 7:45am-12noon |
| 9:30am | Int. | WEEKDAY MASSES |
| 11:00am | REQUIEM MASS FOR BERNADETTE GRAY | Tuesday - Friday |
| WED 17th APRIL | | 9:00am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer |
| 9:30am | Int. ANONYMOUS INTENTION | 9:30am: Mass |
| THUR 18th APRIL | | WEEKEND MASSES |
| 9:30am | Int. HOLY SOULS | Saturday |
| FRI 19th APRIL | | 5:30pm Vigil Mass |
| 9:30am | Int. KATE WHITTAKER, FOR A SUCCESSFUL CATARACT SURGERY | Sunday |
| MASS INTENTIONS | | 8:30am and 10.15am |
| To have prayers and Mass offered for loved ones, or for your own intention, please use a Mass Intention envelope from the table in the porch and return it to Fr Clement. An offering of at least £10 can be placed in the envelope, or given by using the 'Mass Intention' option on the Contactless machine or by BACS payment to the Nat West Parish Account 34143580 Sort 60-06-33, reference 'Mass Intention'. As our Mass is livestreamed, please note if you wish your intention to be private or seek consent from living persons before submitting an intention for them. Thank you. | | CONFESSIONS |
| | | Tuesday - Friday |
| | | 8:40am - 9:20am |
| | | Saturday |
| | | 4:30pm to 5:20pm or by appointment |

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 10.00am - 2.00pm

Parish Priest: Fr Clement Eru CM
Email: clementeru@rcaos.org.uk (*Day off: Mon*)

Parish Secretary: Jane Pemberton
Parish Council Chair: Chris Pieroni

**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PRIEST
DIRECTLY FOR AN APPOINTMENT**
Tel: 07459663652

Email: hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk
Safeguarding representative: Judith Stephens
Email: hartleysg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

MASS TEXTS FOR 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 You killed the prince of life. God however, raised him from the dead.

Psalm Res: *Lift up the light of your face on us O Lord*

1 John 2:1-5 He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

Luke 24: 35-48 So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

Communion Antiphon: *The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.*

For Daily Prayers and Mass Readings online, visit <https://www.universalis.com>

VISITING THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

If you or someone in your family is housebound and would like a priest to visit, please contact Fr Clement to arrange a visit.

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, peace, and healing of your presence. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

OUR LADY OF HARTLEY SCHOOL

Vacancy for Breakfast Club Assistant on Friday mornings 7.30am to 8.45 am.

<https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=131984>

Vacancy for Midday Supervisor 5.5 hours per week (Monday to Friday lunchtimes)

<https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=131983>

REQUEST FOR LAPTOPS

If you have any serviceable but unused laptops or Mac books you no longer need, please consider donating them to Our Lady of Hartley. We will convert them into Chromebooks and use them to support children in class Thank you

PRIEST TRAINING FUND 2ND COLLECTION

SAT/SUN 20th & 21st APRIL 2024.

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. **Good Shepherd Sunday** is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese. After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 5 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest. We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today. Thank you! To donate:

- Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF
- Scan QR Code using telephone camera (on the church noticeboard)
- Telephone weekdays 9am-5pm: 020 7960 2504
- Cash/Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes, on the table in the entrance.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL 2ND COLLECTION

SAT/SUN 27th & 28th APRIL 2024

For over half a century, St George's Cathedral has been the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Southwark, home to 175 parishes and over 50,000 Roman Catholics. For many Catholics living and working across London and the South East of England, St George's has been a beacon of light.

Today, St George's Cathedral continues to attract thousands of worshippers and visitors each year, as well as serving a lively local parish community which proudly reflects the rich cultural and ethnic diversity of South London.

The Cathedral frequently hosts important Diocesan and national celebrations, as well as concerts and events for various Catholic charities. There is a rich musical tradition, maintaining a choir of boys and men, as well as

a girls' choir, both of which sing at Sunday Masses and on major feasts. In many respects, St George's Cathedral serves as a spiritual home and 'beehive' for Catholic evangelisation and mission across the Archdiocese of Southwark. St George's Cathedral is entirely reliant upon the generosity of its parishioners, volunteers and the Archdiocese of Southwark to keep its doors open. It does not receive Vatican or government funding, nor has an endowment to rely on. Your support can enable the Cathedral to remain open daily to those seeking a place of peace, prayer and worship. Thankyou for your support!

- Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/Cathedral
- Or Scan QR Code using phone camera
- Telephone weekdays 9am-5pm: **0207960 2504**
- Cash / Cheque – please use the St George's Cathedral envelopes at the back of church.

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 introduce yourself to Fr Clement and then register on the Parish Database. Forms are available in the porch, or on the parish website.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES 200 CLUB

Membership is open to anyone over 16yrs and costs £24 annually per draw number for the chance to win a prize each month. Information can be found in the church or on the website.

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

Parishioners are asked to first check the **SACRAMENTS** section on the parish website for general information. Please speak with Fr Clement for any further advice. Those wishing to enrol for Sacramental programs should be registered parishioners, attending Mass.

BAPTISM FOR BABIES AND INFANTS

Parents of infants and those seeking Baptism, please attend Sunday Mass and speak to Fr. Clement for advice on how to proceed.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - FOR CHILDREN IN YR-Y2 Resumes Sunday 21st April at 10.15am. *Please bring your child into the Mass for Fr to bless before going with Leaders to the Meeting Room.*

To comply with Diocesan Safeguarding Guidelines, only the leaders can be with children in the room during the session. Thankyou

RECEIVING COMMUNION

Any adult who does not receive Communion please speak with the parish priest for guidance.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

If you have never been baptized, or 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 program, the process by which people become Catholic. Please speak to Fr Clement to discuss further.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROCESS

You are required to give 6 months notice of Marriage – whether it is taking place here or abroad. Couples wishing to be married should please speak to Fr Clement as early as possible.

PARISH GROUP MEETINGS

YOUTH GROUP

Leaders meet regularly to plan events. Contact: Laura Bourne via hartley@rcaos.org.uk

ADULT CHOIR

Thursdays at 7:30pm. New members welcome. Contact: Yvonne at yhegarty@talktalk.net

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA

Third Wednesday each month at 7:00pm. Contact William Rons williamrons@hotmail.com

CATHOLIC WELCOME CIRCLE (CWC)

Second Wednesday each month at 2:00pm. Contact: Margaret Walsh.

CATENIANS (Meopham Circle)

First Wednesday each month at 7.30pm at Hartley Country Club. Contact Les Bober on 07811 407386 or Steve Lewis, on 07305 360305

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 7th April 2024

Envelopes £80.00 Loose cash: £143.20

Contactless: £90.00

2nd Collection: £97.80

Thank you, your support is greatly appreciated.

Our 2nd Collection this weekend: Parish Needs

Please check that your GA number, Date, and 1st/ name of 2nd Collection, are noted on envelopes

THATCH FUND

AMOUNT AS OF MARCH 29th 2024: £41,812.73

TARGET AMOUNT £55,000.00 MINIMUM

Thankyou for your continued support. Please keep depositing your weekly donation in the Thatch Fund Box at the back of the church **OR** use the Contactless machine in the porch. Alternatively, please set up a £4 monthly/£52 annual Bank Standing Order at: **Nat West Bank Account name St Francis. Account number 34363181 Sort code 60-06-33.**

If you are a UK tax payer, you can Gift Aid your Thatch Fund donations - please scan the QR code below or take a hard copy from the shelf in the church porch. If you already use the parish Gift Aid scheme, please note your GA number to donations. If you do not know your GA number, contact the parish office.

You can also donate via our parish *Justgiving* page www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley

NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR TAX YEAR 6th APRIL 2024-5th APRIL 2025 ARE AVAILABLE NOW.

For parishioners who are on the parish Gift Aid scheme and who use envelopes for Offertory and Special/2nd Collections, your new box of envelopes is ready to be picked up this weekend from the Meeting room after all Masses. **Also, for those who make Offertory donations by Bank Standing Order**, please collect the set of envelopes with your GA number for Special/2nd Collection donations. Please ask if you are unsure of your number.

'PLANNED GIVING' GIFT-AIDED DONATIONS

The parish relies on contributions to maintain the church building & presbytery, supporting the priest in his ministry, which is the Church's Mission. ***Please consider setting up a Monthly Bank Standing Order. This is most helpful to the parish for budgeting and planning projects.***

Other ways to support the parish financially:

- (i) Weekly Gift Aid Envelopes (please contact the parish office to register for envelopes)
- (ii) Through *Givealittle* on the parish website
- (iii) Using the Contactless Machine in the church porch or in the collection baskets.
- (iv) Cash, or Cheque payable to **RCAS Hartley**
- (v) Using the One-off Donation envelopes
- (vi) Online transaction to Nat West Bank Account St Francis de Sales Acc: 34143580 Sort 60-06-33.

'EASYFUNDRAISING'-DO YOU SHOP ONLINE?

Please use *easyfundraising* when you shop online! Over 7,000 brands will give back small donations to registered charities, so you can raise funds for the parish, no matter what you're buying. **It is easy & FREE to sign up.** Visit www.easyfundraising.co.uk Thank you.

Are you a UK Taxpayer? Please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme to add 25p to every £1 you donate to the parish.

Scan the QR code with your phone and fill in the form or visit the web link. Contact the parish office for any further assistance.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Sign up to
Gift Aid &
Planned Giving



Scan QR code
or visit: forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/

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