



Oratory of St. Francis de Sales
Roman Catholic Parish
Archdiocese of Southwark

Parish Newsletter 21st April 2024

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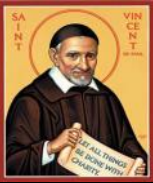
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This parish is served by the Vincentians

St. Francis de Sales Live Stream: www.churchservices.tvhartley

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	MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN:
SUNDAY 21st April	4th SUNDAY OF EASTER	Tuesday - Friday 8:45am-3:00pm
SAT VIGIL 5:30pm	Int. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	Saturday 10:00am-6:30pm
SUN 8:30am	Int. HAYLEY BUNTING, WELL-BEING	Sunday 7:45am-12noon
10:15am	Int. WILLIAM MURPHY & SHARON MURPHY R.I.P.	
MON 22nd APRIL	PRIVATE MASS	WEEKDAY MASSES
TUES 23rd APRIL St. George, Martyr 9:30am	Int.	Tuesday - Friday 8:45am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer 9:30am: Mass
WED 24th APRIL 9:30am	Int. ANONYMOUS INTENTION	WEEKEND MASSES
THUR 25th APRIL St. Mark, Evangelist 9:30am	Int. HOLY SOULS	Saturday 5:30pm Vigil Mass
FRI 26th APRIL 9:30am	Int. PRIVATE INTENTION Int. JONATHAN REGAN R.I.P. 1st ANNIVERSARY	Sunday 8:30am and 10.15am
MASS INTENTIONS 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*)

**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PRIEST
DIRECTLY FOR AN APPOINTMENT**

Tel: 07459663652

Parish Secretary: Jane Pemberton
Parish Council Chair: Chris Pieroni

Email: hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk

Safeguarding representative: Judith Stephens

Email: hartleysg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

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

ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND, 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.

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. 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.

- 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.

MAY DEVOTIONS

The Month of May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary is our Mother and she is ready always to intercede for us with the Lord. I encourage you to join us as we make our 33 Days of Rosary Prayer and during this month of May, I invite you to write your intentions, so we can pray together. **Beginning 29th April:**

Mondays

Private/family Prayer

Tuesdays to Fridays

10:00am

Saturday 4th May

**Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Hartley
(details to follow)**

Other Saturdays and Sundays

Private/family Prayer

Friday 31st May

The Feast of The Visitation

Evening

**Rosary Procession/Burning of written
Intentions/Blessing of Brown Scapulars and**

**Blessing of Sacramental/Water for Private
Use**

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

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Our next PPC meeting will be held on the 24th April 2024 and we are inviting parishioners to send any agenda items you think we should discuss. Please email Chris Pieroni (Chair) at hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk

KCSP 'TRAIN TO TEACH' 2024-25

Kent Catholic Schools' Partnership have partnered with Teach First to offer you the opportunity to train as Secondary School Teacher. Please see the notice board outside the church for further information.

OUR LADY OF HARTLEY SCHOOL VACENCIES

Breakfast Club Assistant & Midday Supervisor

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

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.

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 14th April 2024

Envelopes £43.00 Loose cash: £133.38

Contactless: £133.00

2nd Collection: £138.11

Thank you, your support is greatly appreciated.

Our Diocesan 2nd Collection this weekend:

Priests' Training Fund

Please use the envelopes provided by the Diocese

*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

Please support the Thatch Fund by:

Weekly donation in the Thatch Fund Box or use the Contactless machine in the porch.

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.**

You can also give by using our *Justgiving* page:
www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley

GIFT AID ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE NOW.

For Tax Year 6th April 2024 - 5th April 2025 for all donors of 1st/2nd/Special Collections who are registered on the Parish Gift Aid Scheme. Please ask after Mass for your envelopes.

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PARISH FINANCIALLY:

(i) Bank Monthly Standing Order to Nat West
Bank Account: name: St Francis de Sales

Account number: 34143580 Sort: 60-06-33

(ii) Weekly Gift Aid Envelopes (please contact the parish office to register for envelopes)

(iii) Through Givealittle on the parish website

(iv) Using the Contactless Machine in the church porch or in the collection baskets.

(v) Cash, or Cheque payable to RCAS Hartley

(vi) Using the One-off Donation envelopes

'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.

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Sign up to Gift Aid & Planned Giving



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

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