



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

Parish Newsletter 28th April 2024

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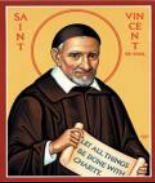
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|  | MASS INTENTIONS                          | THE CHURCH IS OPEN   |
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| <b>SUNDAY 28th April</b>   | <b>5th SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>              | <b>Tuesday - Friday</b><br>8:45am-3:00pm                               |
| <b>SAT VIGIL 5:30pm</b>  | Int. PAUL AND RUFUS JAMES, HEALING.      | <b>Saturday</b><br>10:00am-6:30pm                                      |
| <b>SUN 8:30am</b>  | Int. PEOPLE OF THE PARISH                | <b>Sunday</b><br>7:45am-12noon   |
| <b>10:15am</b>   | Int. RIANNA KAUR DEOL R.I.P.             | <b>WEEKDAY MASSES</b>  |
| <b>MON 29th APRIL</b>  | <b>PRIVATE MASS</b>                      | <b>Tuesday - Friday</b>  |
| <b>TUES 30th APRIL</b>   |  | <b>8:45am:</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer. |
| <b>9:30am</b>  | Int. FRANCES FINNERTY R.I.P.             | <b>9:30am:</b> Mass  |
| <b>WED 1st MAY</b>   |  | <b>10:00am:</b> Rosary Prayer  |
| <b>9:30am</b>  | Int. ANONYMOUS INTENTION                 | <b>WEEKEND MASSES</b>  |
| <b>THUR 2nd MAY</b>  |  | <b>Saturday Vigil Mass</b><br>5:30pm                                   |
| <b>9:30am</b>  | Int.                                     | <b>Sunday</b><br>8:30am and 10.15am                                    |
| <b>2:00pm</b>  | <b>REQUIEM MASS FOR FRANCES FINNERTY</b> | <b>CONFESSIONS</b>   |
| <b>FRI 3rd MAY</b>   |  | <b>Tuesday - Friday</b><br>8:40am - 9:20am                             |
| <b>9:30am</b>  | Int. HOLY SOULS                          | <b>Saturday</b><br>4:30pm to 5:20pm<br>or by appointment               |
| <b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>   |  |  |
| 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 donation can be placed in the envelope, or given by using the 'Mass Intention' option on the Contactless machine or by BACS payment to Nat West Parish Account St Francis de Sales 34143580 Sort 60-06-33, reference 'Mass Intention'. As our Mass is livestreamed, please make it known if you wish your intention to be private, or seek consent from living persons before submitting an intention for them. Thank you. |  |  |

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

**Parish Priest: Fr Clement Eru CM**

**Email:** [clementeru@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:clementeru@rcaos.org.uk) (*Day off: Mon*)

**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PRIEST**

**DIRECTLY FOR AN APPOINTMENT**

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

## MAY DEVOTIONS

### 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*

### VINCENTIAN MEETING

Fr Clement will be hosting the Vincentian Priests' Meeting on Tuesday 30th April at 1:00pm.

Please feel free to pop in at the presbytery and welcome them.

### FRANCES FINNERTY, REQUIESCAT IN PACE

We announce the death of our much loved former parishioner, Frances Finnerty.

Frances' Funeral Mass will take place here next Thursday, 2nd May 2024 at 2:00pm. Parishioners are encouraged to attend the Mass to support Frances' family.

### ANNUAL MASS FOR MIGRANT WORKERS

In honour of St Joseph the Worker, on Monday 6th May 2024 at St George's Cathedral, London SE1 6HR at 12.30pm. All are invited. Please come early. You are welcome to come in national dress if you would like to take part in the banner procession at 12.15pm

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.

#### DAY 1

**Monday 29th April**

#### Mondays

Please pray Private or family Prayer

**Tuesdays to Fridays: 10:00am in church**

#### Saturday 4th May

**Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Hartley**

**Starting at 12 noon** with reflections, hymns and prayers to Our Lady, ending with Adoration before the Parish Mass at 5.30pm.

#### Other Saturdays and Sundays

Private/family Prayer

#### DAY 33

**Friday 31st May**

**The Feast of The Visitation**

#### In the 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  
This Sunday 28th 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

**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.

**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**

**The Draw for April will take place this Sunday 28th April, at the end of 8:30am Mass.**

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](mailto:hartley@rcaos.org.uk)

**ADULT CHOIR**

Thursdays at 7:30pm. New members welcome. Contact: Yvonne at [yhegarty@talktalk.net](mailto:yhegarty@talktalk.net)

**KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA**

Third Wednesday each month at 7:00pm. Contact William Rons [williamrons@hotmail.com](mailto: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 21st April 2024

Envelopes £60.00 Loose cash: £138.00

Contactless: £54.00

2nd Collection: £322.71

*Your support is greatly appreciated.*

**Our Diocesan 2nd Collection this weekend:**

**St. George's Cathedral**

*Please use the Envelopes provided*

*Please check that your GA number, Date, and 1st/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.**

Donate online through our *Justgiving page*: **[www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley](http://www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley)**

### GIFT AID ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE.

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 weekend 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 Code 60-06-33.

(ii) Weekly Gift Aid Envelopes (please contact the parish office to sign up)

(iii) Through *Givealittle* on the parish website

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

(v) Cash, or Cheque payable to **RCAS Hartley**

(vi) Use the One-off Donation envelopes

### 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](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk) Thank you.

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