



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

Parish Newsletter 25th August 2024

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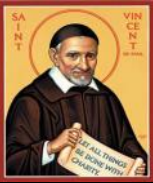
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This parish is served by the Vincentians

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

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

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		MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN
SUNDAY 25th August			Tuesday - Friday 8:45am-3:00pm
SAT VIGIL	5:30pm	Int. Thanksgiving for Chris & Rufus, healing for Paul & Steven	Saturday 10:00am-6:30pm
SUN	8:30am	Int. Holy Souls	Sunday 7:45am-12noon
SUN	10:15am	Int. People of the Parish	WEEKDAY MASSES Tues, Wed, Fri. 8:45am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer. 9:30am: Mass PLEASE CHECK THE NEWSLETTER EACH WEEK FOR CHANGES
MON	26th August	Private Mass	WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm
TUES	27th August	Saint Monica, Memorial Int. Holy Souls	Sunday 8:30am and 10.15am
WED	28th August	Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church. Int. Anonymous Intention	CONFESSIONS Saturday 4:30pm to 5:20pm or by appointment
THUR	29th August	The Passion of St John the Baptist, Memorial Please note: NO MASS	
FRI	30th August	Sts Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line, Margaret Ward. Int. Sick and Housebound parishioners	

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 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 (Day off: Mon)

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PRIEST
DIRECTLY FOR AN APPOINTMENT

Tel: 07872572994

Parish Secretary: Jane Pemberton
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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

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 register on the Parish Database. Forms are available in the porch/on the parish website.

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

For children aged 4 -7years old and takes place on Sundays during 10.15am Mass. Please note, our Children's Liturgy will resume after the summer break, on Sunday 8th September.

At least one more leader/helper will be needed to assist with Children's Liturgy from September. If you can help maybe on a rota basis, please speak to Fr Clement, or to Victoria Chaney, for details. Thank you.

FR CLEMENT

Fr Clement sends his kind regards to everyone and his gratitude for all your prayers and intentions.

We thank Fr Michael Denis CM and priests from the Vincentian Community, and Fr Jude Iroh MSP, for covering our Sunday and weekday Masses. **Please check the newsletter each week for any changes. Thank you for your consideration and support.**

PERMANENT DIACONATE

If you are a man between 21 years to 58 years, prayerful, with the desire to love God and God's people, you are involved in services within your parish and community, you have tried many things and still feel drawn to a closer relationship with Christ and His Church - you might possibly be called to be a Permanent Deacon?

If you require further information about the Permanent Diaconate, please speak to your Parish Priest, Fr Clement, or contact the Diaconate Formation Director via e-mail: ianblack@rcaos.org.uk

NEW LECTIONARY

The Church in England and Wales, including in our Archdiocese, has decided to update our Lectionary (the book containing the readings which are proclaimed at Mass). This will take effect from the First Sunday of Advent this year - 1st December 2024.

Therefore our Sunday Mass books, along with any other books we use, will also expire soon and we have now to place our order. The new Sunday Mass Books for Years A,B,C, with 2 volumes per year, cost £5.95 per copy – and are on offer at £5 per copy for pre-ordering – allowing us a saving of £684.00.

Donations may be given by cash/cheque or by contactless machine. If you wish to make a BACS payment, please make the reference

'Mass Books' to the parish bank Account: St Francis de Sales 34143580 Sort Code 30-06-33. Please let us know the names you would like inscribed in the books you are sponsoring. ***Thank you very much for all the donations received so far; your support is greatly appreciated. May the Lord who knows you, bless you all.***

CHURCH/WHITEFRIARS GARDENING

We thank the parishioners who have been making time to clear around the church and the garden at White Friars, doing what is called 'Mission Work.' You're appreciated. God bless you all. We will continue every other weekend; if you have an hour or two to spare, come and join in, any help will be gratefully welcomed. Thankyou in advance for your time and support.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES 200 CLUB

The Draw for August will take place this Sunday 25th August after 8:30am Mass. ***Subscription for next year's monthly draws from September 2024 - August 2025 must be renewed by 12th September.***

Membership to the 200 Club is welcomed and open to anyone over 16yrs and costs £24 annually per number, for the chance to win a prize each month. All relevant information can be found on the shelf in the church porch or on the parish website. If you have any queries please contact Tina Shirley, email: tinashirley28@gmail.com or Telephone Home: 01474 872847 Mobile: 07789862902

KENT CHURCHES SPONSORED BIKE & HIKE on Saturday September 14th 2024

As part of this annual event which raises money for the upkeep of Kent's beautiful Churches, I will be leading a sponsored walk around round our local churches. A warm welcome, tea and cakes are offered at each church. Half the money raised will come to

our church, and help to replace the thatch. Please join us on the walk, or sponsor a walker. Over the years this event has raised several thousand pounds for our church.

For further details, email Carol Wilton carolwilton0@gmail.com

SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH DAYS.

The Southwark Catholic Youth Service has a number of activities in 2024 for youth.

These days will engage our young people to grow in knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus in a fun environment. They will:

Help young people understand their faith through talks on a theme of the Catechism and Q/A.

Nurture their spiritual lives through Eucharistic Adoration, praise, music and Confession.

Build community through sports, games, crafts, and pizza!

1. YOUTH DAY FOR 10-14 YEAR OLDS on Saturday 28th September 2024 at Richard Challoner School.

2. YOUTH RETREAT FOR 13-17 YEAR OLDS on Saturday 12th October at St. John Fisher School, City Way, Rochester.

We are asking parents to encourage their children to attend these events, which are a great opportunity to meet other young people in our Archdiocese.

Contact our Parish Youth Leader, Laura Bourne, via the parish office if you are interested in your child attending as part of a parish group, with adult supervision. See the posters on the church noticeboard or, for queries, email youth@rcaos.org.uk

DONATION FOR GRAVESEND FOODBANK

Non perishable items can be left in the Food Bank Box in the Meeting Room. Thank you.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 18th August 2024

Envelopes £56.00 Loose cash: £114.47

Contactless: £89.22

2nd Collection: £174.03

Your support is greatly appreciated.

2nd Collection this weekend 24th/25th
August: Parish Needs

Please check that your GA number, Date, and 1st/2nd Collection, are noted correctly on all envelopes. Thank you.

THATCH FUND

AMOUNT RAISED as of 31st JULY 2024:

£43,647.25

TARGET AMOUNT £55,000.00 MINIMUM

Please support the Thatch Fund by:

- Weekly donation in the Thatch Fund Box
- 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

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

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