



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

Parish Newsletter 27th October 2024

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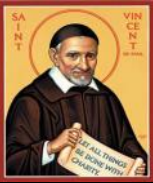
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This parish is served by the Vincentians

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

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	MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN
SUNDAY 27th October		Tuesday - Friday
SAT VIGIL 5:30pm	Int. Holy Souls	8:45am-3:00pm
SUN 8:30am	Int. Barry Bunting R.I.P.	Saturday
SUN 10:15am	Int. People of the Parish	10:00am-6:30pm
MON 28th October	Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles, Feast. Private Mass	Sunday
TUES 29th October	Feria	7:45am-12noon
9:30am	Int. Sarah Halpin R.I.P.	WEEKDAY MASSES
WED 30th October	Feria	Tuesday - Friday
9:30am	Int. Maureen Wilde and family	8:45am: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer.
THUR 31st October	Feria	9:30am: Mass
9:30am	Anonymous Intention	In October, praying of the Rosary.
FRI 1st November	ALL SAINTS, SOLEMNITY, HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	1st November:
9:30am	Int.	First Friday
7:30pm	Int. People of the Parish	Eucharistic Adoration
SAT 2nd November	THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED	10:15am – 3:30pm
9:30am	Int. All the Faithful Departed	WEEKEND MASSES
10:30am	Prayers and Blessing of Graves at the Cemetery.	Saturday Vigil Mass
		5:30pm
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.	Sunday
		8:30am and 10.15am
		CONFESSIONS
		Tues-Fri
		08:50-09:20am
		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: 07872572994

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

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.

BAPTISM FOR BABIES AND INFANTS

Parents of infants and those seeking Baptism, please attend Sunday Mass and ask the priest for a Baptism Application form and Mass Attendance form. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Resumes on Nov 10th

For children aged 4-7years on Sunday during 10.15am Mass. Please bring your child into the Mass for blessing before going with leaders to the Meeting Room. Please speak to Fr Clement if you would like to help.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION.

Parents who have submitted an application form are required to attend a meeting with Fr Clement on Saturday 26th October 2024 beginning with Mass at 10:00am. Thank you

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Parents will be contacted with program details in due course. Thank you.

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 for further help.

PERMANENT DIACONATE

If you are a man between 21 years to 58 years, prayerful, involved in services within your parish and community, and 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, speak to Fr. Clement.

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, contact Fr. Clement as early as possible.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP– PLEASE REGISTER

Over 18's can fill in a registration form and return it to Fr Clement. For under 18's, parents must sign the form to give their consent. Forms are available in the church porch or on the parish website. Thank you <http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk>

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Commencing on Friday 1st November, we will begin 'First Friday Eucharistic Adoration' every month, which will start immediately after morning Mass and will end with Divine Mercy Prayer and Benediction at 3:00pm.

As the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed, it will be necessary to have people present in the church throughout the day, we will be asking people to sign up and be a 'prayer volunteer' every First Friday of the month.

Volunteer sheets are available now - please add your name and period of time during the day you can spend in prayer. Thank you.

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

During the month of November, it is especially recommended that the Christian Faithful remember in their prayer the souls of those who have gone before us. Please take an envelope marked for the November Holy Souls and place inside it the names of the departed you would like to pray for during this month.

PLEASE PLACE YOUR ENVELOPES IN THE PETITION BOX BY THE SHRINE.

Where a donation is made, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the repose of those named in your petition.

FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2024: SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS.

The Solemnity of All Saints is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics to attend Mass. There will be 2 Masses in the parish at 9:30am, and for those who work, 7:30pm.

SATURDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2024: ALL SOULS' DAY, COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED.

There will Mass at 9:30am followed by a visit to the cemetery to pray and bless the graves. We are all invited to join Fr Clement at the cemetery after Mass, and then return to the meeting room for refreshments afterwards.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2024 at 3:00pm.

We will gather at Hartley War Memorial to pray for and remember all those who sacrificed their lives during the 2 World Wars. Fr. Clement will lead the prayers this year. Please come along and represent our parish.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES 200 CLUB

The October Draw will take place on Sunday, 27th October, after 8:30am Mass. Membership to the 200 Club is open for anyone over 16yrs, £24 annually per number for the chance to win a prize each month. Information can be found in the church porch or on the parish website. Contact Tina Shirley or Kate Whittaker by email: stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com

AFTERNOON FOR READERS

Saturday 2nd November 2024 2pm - 4pm. At St Thomas of Canterbury (church hall)59 Burgate, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 2HJ.

To introduce the new translation for the Lectionary & address questions such as: How is it different from the translation we're using now? What does it mean in practice, for readers? How is the Lectionary arranged? Also, an opportunity to reflect on how we understand the Old Testament in the light of our faith in Christ. **Led by Bishop Paul Hendricks, all are welcome.**

POPE FRANCIS' 4th ENCYCLICAL LETTER

Dilexit Nos - He loved us, on the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ.

Pope Francis invites us to always see the unity between "The Christ we see depicted with a pierced and burning heart," and "the same Christ who, for love of us, was born in Bethlehem, passed through Galilee healing the sick, embracing sinners and showing mercy. The same Christ who loved us to the very end'. You can find the encyclical on the Catholic Bishops' Conference website

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/dilexit-nos/>

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 20th OCT 2024

Envelopes £50.50 Loose cash: £83.50

Contactless: £109.00

2nd Collection: £157.88

Your support is greatly appreciated.

2nd Collection this weekend: 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 30th Sept 2024:

£44,333.03

TARGET AMOUNT £55,000.00 MINIMUM

Your continued support is greatly needed to help meet our Thatch Fund target. You can

- Place cash in the Thatch Fund Box
- Use the Contactless machine in the church
- Cheque to St Francis de Sales
- 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.**

• Online on 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 box or contact the parish office. **One-Off donations** can also be made using the white envelopes in the porch thankyou.

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE PARISH FINANCIALLY

(i) Bank Monthly Standing Order to Nat West Bank Account: name: St Francis de Sales
Account no: 34143580 Sort Code 60-06-33.

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

(iii) Via *Givealittle* on the parish website

(iv) Use the Contactless Machine in the porch or *handsfree* at collection

(v) 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

Waitrose and EasyFundraising in October.

EasyFundraising and Waitrose will donate £1,000 to 5 selected winners. For our parish to be in with a chance of winning, we are encouraging parishioners to use EasyFundraising when you shop with Waitrose. Every online shop will give our parish an additional entry, plus we will receive a £10 donation for a first-time shop and £1.50 for every subsequent shop throughout October.

You can register for [EasyFundraising here](#).

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forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/

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