



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

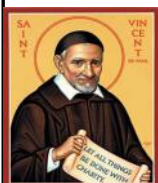
Parish Newsletter

11th May 2025

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<https://tinyurl.com/vc7w838m>

St. Francis de Sales Live Stream: www.churchservices.tv/hartley

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		MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN
SAT	10th May		Tuesday - Friday
VIGIL MASS	5:30pm	World day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life Int. People of the Parish	8:30am-3:00pm
SUN	11th May		Saturday
	8:30am	Int. Bicarregui family	10:00am-6:30pm
SUN	10:15am	Int. Yr 6 children sitting SATS exams this week	Sunday
MON	12th May	Private Mass	7:45am-12noon
TUES	13th May	Feria OR Our Lady of Fatima Int. Holy Souls	WEEKDAY MASSES
WED	14th May	St. Matthias, Apostle, Feast Int. Pope Leo XIV	Tuesday - Friday
THUR	15th May	St. John Stone, Priest and Martyr, Memorial. Int.	8:45am: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer.
FRI	16th May	Feria Int. Sick and Housebound parishioners	First Fridays of month
			Friday 6th June
			Eucharistic Adoration
			10:30pm – 3:00pm
			Divine Mercy Prayer & Benediction
			WEEKEND MASSES
			Saturday Vigil Mass
			5:30pm
			Sunday
			8:30am and 10.15am
			CONFESSIONS
			Tues-Fri 8:50-9:20
			Sat 4:30pm-5:30pm
			or by appointment

MASS INTENTIONS

Please use a Mass Intention envelope, available in the porch, fill in details and return it to Fr Clement. An offering donation can be placed in the envelope, or use the Contactless machine or BACS to Nat West Account St Francis de Sales 34143580 Sort 60-06-33, reference 'Mass Intention'. Please make it known if your intention is private and seek consent from others 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

Parish Council Chair: Chris Pieroni

Email: hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk

Safeguarding representative:

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. Registration Forms are available in the porch or on the website.

BAPTISM FOR BABIES AND INFANTS

Parents seeking Baptism of infants should attend Mass and ask Fr Clement for an application form. Parents must attend the Parish Preparation Course prior to Baptisms.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT 10:15am MASS

Sunday 11th May 2025.

HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASS

Monday 12th May 2025 at 3:30pm.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASS

Wednesday 21st May 2025 at 7:00pm.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP – PLEASE REGISTER

Forms are in the church porch or on the website <http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk>

200 CLUB

Membership is open to anyone over 16yrs old. Forms and Information on how join the 200 Club are in the church porch or on the parish website or email stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 18th MAY 2025

In his pastoral letter, Archbishop John said "Safeguarding is not the work of a few; it is a shared responsibility. Each of us — clergy, volunteers, parents, parishioners — is called to remain vigilant, informed, and committed to the well-being of every member of our community". You can find out more about Safeguarding Sunday, including accessing the full pastoral letter, at rcaos.org.uk/safeguardingsunday25

FETE 2025 SATURDAY 14th JUNE 12-4pm

In order to make the day a success both financially and socially, there are so many ways you can help to support the Fete:

Encourage family and friends to come; they can be assured of a fun packed day with events to suit all ages, stalls, inflatables, great food and drinks.

Donate Books, Bottles, Cakes, Jewellery, Plants, Toiletries, Toys and Teddys and non-electrical White Elephant items can all be left in the church meeting room.

Advertise in our Fete Programme and donate prizes to include in our Grand Draw.

Display a Fete poster, help deliver Fete Programmes to as many households as possible, help sell Grand Draw Tickets.

Please pray for good weather on the day.

Fete Committee will be greeting at Mass to provide lists of the different stalls we need volunteers for, and the different roles you can assist with, such as:

- Displaying an Advertising Board; Setting up/Tidying up on the Day; Donating a Gazebo; Running a Stall. This can be for the whole day or for an hour or two at a time. If you have any ideas for new stalls, comments or suggestions, please do let us know on the designated email sfdsfete@outlook.com

We look forward to hearing from you and for your support and assistance. Thank you.

PRAYER FOR THE POPE

Let us pray for our Holy Father Leo XIV.

Response: The Lord preserve him and give him life, make him blessed upon the earth, and deliver him not up to the will of his enemies.

Lord Jesus, shelter our Holy Father the Pope under the protection of Your Sacred Heart. Be his light, his strength and his consolation. Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd, the Pope, a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love.

By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter and vicar of Christ, build your Church into a sacrament of unity, love, and peace for all the world. **Response: Amen.**



SATURDAY 31st MAY 2025 PILGRIMAGE TO JUBILEE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF HARTLEY

Beginning at 10:00am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction.

Rosary Procession Hymns and Prayers to Our Lady. Short talks and reflections Jubilee message for Pilgrims of Hope. Concluding Mass with petitions offered.

SATURDAY 7th JUNE 2025 DIOCESAN JUBILEE CELEBRATION



Our Diocese will gather for a Jubilee Year Celebration at The Friars, Aylesford, for a festival of prayer and activities for both adults and children. The celebration begins at 10:00am and promises to be a great event!

If you have not already done so, sign up on the list in the porch for your place on our coach or notify the parish office.

**More information at aec.rcaos.org.uk/
CHILDREN/YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

aec.rcaos.org.uk is also where you go to register for 90-minute ministry sessions for children (KS1+2) and young people (KS3+4). Pre-booking for these sessions begins at 11 am Monday 5th May. Places are limited - first come, first served. Please book only for your own children or grandchildren. For those who miss out, there are other children's activities, notably a novel 'Saints Treasure Trail' which has been developed especially for this celebration.

Responsible people are needed to volunteer as Stewards either in the morning or afternoon. Please contact jubilee@rcaos.org.uk to find out more.

	DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR	
Thurs 29th May	Ascension of the Lord, Holy Day of Obligation	9:30am & 7:30pm
Sat 31st May	Our Lady of Hartley Jubilee Shrine Pilgrimage	From 10:00am
Sat 7th June	Diocesan Jubilee Celebration at Aylesford	10:00am-4:00pm
Sun 8th June	Pentecost Sunday	Weekend Masses
Sat 14th June	Annual Parish Fete	10:00am-4:00pm
Sun 22nd June	First Holy Communion Mass	12:30pm
Sat 12th July	Confirmation Mass	11:00am

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

4th May 2025

Envelopes £52.50 Loose cash £124.30

Contactless £112.00

2nd Collection: £171.92

Thank you, your support is much appreciated.

The 2nd Collection this weekend is for:

Priest Training Fund

Diocesan Collection

Please see the poster on the church noticeboard for ways to donate. Thank you

THATCH FUND

AMOUNT NEEDED £75,000.00

AMOUNT RAISED £50,612.56

Thank you for your continuing support which is greatly appreciated and needed to help us meet our Thatch Fund target this year.

Donations can be made by:

- Cash via the church Thatch Fund Box
- Card/Contactless machine in the church
- Cheque to 'St Francis de Sales'
- Using white envelopes, available in church
- Weekly/Monthly Bank Standing Order or BACS donation at: **Nat West Bank.**

Account name: Roman Catholic Diocese of Southwark Diocesan Trust OR St Francis.

Account: 34363181 Sort Code 60-06-33.

- Online, on our parish *Justgiving* page: **www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley**

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

All parishioners registered on the Parish Gift Aid Scheme have a box of envelopes waiting to be collected from the porch.

For any Tax-payers who are not yet on the parish scheme, forms are in the porch or scan the QR code below to join.

SUPPORTING THE PARISH FINANCIALLY:

(i) Bank Monthly Standing Order to Nat

West Bank Account: 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.

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forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/

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