



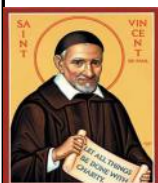
Oratory of St. Francis de Sales  
Roman Catholic Parish  
Archdiocese of Southwark

Parish Newsletter 18th May 2025

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		MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN
SAT	17th May		Tuesday - Friday
	10:30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation for all FHC candidates	8:30am-3:00pm
VIGIL MASS	5:30pm	Int. People of the Parish	Saturday
			10:00am-6:30pm
SUN	18th May		Sunday
	8:30am	Int. Welch family	7:45am-12noon
SUN	10:15am	Int. Holy Souls	WEEKDAY MASSES
MON	19th May	Private Mass	Tuesday - Friday
TUES	20th May	Feria OR St Bernadine of Siena, Priest	8:45am: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer.
	9:30am	Int. The Name of the Lord be hallowed in every soul	First Fridays of month
WED	21st May	Feria OR St Christopher of Magallanes, Priest & Comp.	Next: Friday 6th June
	9:30am	Int.	Eucharistic Adoration
THUR	22nd May	Feria OR St Rita of Cascia, Religious	10:30pm – 3:00pm
	9:30am	Int. Rebecca Goode (Archbishop's Assistant) R.I.P.	Divine Mercy Prayer & Benediction
FRI	23rd May	Feria	WEEKEND MASSES
	9:30am	Int. Sick and Housebound parishioners	Saturday Vigil Mass
		DAY FOR LIFE NOVENA DAY 1 private prayer	5:30pm
MASS INTENTIONS			Sunday
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'.			8:30am and 10.15am
Please make it known if your intention is private and seek consent from others before submitting an intention for them, thank you.			CONFESSIONS
			Tues-Fri 8:50-9:20
			Sat 4:30pm-5:30pm
			or by appointment

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

Tel: 07872572994

Parish Secretary: Jane Pemberton

Parish Council Chair: Chris Pieroni

Email: [hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:hartleypcc@rcaos.org.uk)

Safeguarding representative: please contact

Email: [hartleydbs@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:hartleydbs@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 18th May 2025.

### **HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASS**

Monday 19th 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 May Draw will be on 25th May**

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](mailto:stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com)

### **DAY FOR LIFE 15th JUNE 2025.**

Every year the Church in England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland marks the Day for Life, as a reminder of the need to respect and protect the inherent value and dignity of each life. In preparation, the Bishops are inviting the faithful to pray the **Novena for Life from 23 May until the Feast of the Visitation on 31 May**. Details will shortly be on CBCEW website: <https://prayforlife.ie/>

### **FETE 2025 SATURDAY 14th JUNE 12-4pm**

It's four weeks until our Annual Parish Fete. We hope you are all thinking of ways you can help and prepare for the big day, such as

- Informing and inviting family, friends, neighbours and local community to attend.
- Donating: Books, Toys, Games, Bottles, Cakes, Plants, Nonelectrical White Elephant Items, Jewellery and Toiletries. Please leave them in the Meeting Room.
- Running a Stall on the day. An updated list is available after each Mass.
- Helping set up and tidy away on the day.
- Taking a Poster, and displaying it.
- As there are a couple of spaces left in the Fete Programme, if you know of any Company who are interested in advertising, please let us know.
- Once the Fete Programme is available, please take them and deliver to as many houses as you can.
- Other ideas for Grand Draw Prizes
- When the tickets have arrived, please take and sell them.
- Any Gazebos we can borrow on the day.

This is such an important day for our parish both financially and socially. We need the event to be a success and we therefore ask you all to keep praying for great weather and a successful day. Thank you

If you would like to contact us about the Fete, please use the designated e-mail address – [sfdfsfe@outlook.com](mailto:sfdfsfe@outlook.com)

## SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 18th MAY 2025

You can find out more about Safeguarding Sunday, including accessing the full Archbishop John's pastoral letter, at [rcaos.org.uk/safeguardingsunday25](http://rcaos.org.uk/safeguardingsunday25)

## KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

The Knights will be joining us for 10:15am Mass on Sunday 1st June, and will be speaking to us about their ministry.

## JOB VACANCY AT SPUC

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children is currently looking for a full-time receptionist for its HQ in Kennington, London SE11. Find out more about the role at [www.spuc.org.uk/joinourteam](http://www.spuc.org.uk/joinourteam)

## REQUIRED FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

**Our Lady of Hartley Catholic Primary School** wish to appoint an enthusiastic and dedicated Teacher to join our outstanding school in September 2025.

This is a full time position from 1st September 2025. Applications are welcomed from ECTs and experienced teachers. **Contact:** James Baker. Address: Stack Lane, Hartley, Kent, DA3 8BL

Telephone: (01474) 706385

Email: [office@ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@ourladyhartley.kent.sch.uk)

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



Beginning at 10:00am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoration; Rosary Procession; Marian Hymns and Prayers; talks and reflections; Prayer Petitions; Jubilee message for Pilgrims of Hope; Concluding with Mass at 5:30pm



## 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, please sign on the list in the porch for your place on our coach or notify the parish office. Also let us know if you will be making your own way to Aylesford.***

More information at [aec.rcaos.org.uk](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk)

## CHILDREN/YOUTH ACTIVITIES

[aec.rcaos.org.uk](http://aec.rcaos.org.uk) also to register for 90-minute ministry sessions for children and young people places are limited - first come, first served. Please book only for your own children or grandchildren.

	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

11th May 2025

Envelopes £37.50 Loose cash £98.30

Contactless £178.20

**2nd Collection: £142.04**

*Thank you, your support is much appreciated.*

**Our 2nd Collection this week:**

**Parish Needs**

## THATCH FUND

**AMOUNT NEEDED £75,000.00**

**AMOUNT RAISED £51,858.87**

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](http://www.justgiving.com/St-Francis-de-Sales-Hartley)

**THANK YOU, MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL.**

**NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES** -please collect. All parishioners who are 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.**

### DO YOU SHOP ONLINE?

**Please help us raise funds FREE by using *easyfundraising* when you shop online!**

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