



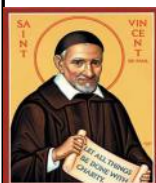
Oratory of St. Francis de Sales
Roman Catholic Parish
Archdiocese of Southwark

Parish Newsletter 27th July 2025

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

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		MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN
SAT	26th July		Tuesday - Friday 8:30am-3:00pm
VIGIL MASS	5:30pm	Int. Gregory family	Saturday 10:00am-6:30pm
SUN	27th July	Int. People of the Parish	Sunday 7:45am-12noon
	8:30am	Int. William Rons R.I.P. Posthumous Birthday	
SUN	27th July		WEEKDAY MASSES
	10:15am	Int. Mary Naguib well-being	Tuesday - Friday 8:45am: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer.
MON	28th July	Private Mass	
TUES	29th July	Saints Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Memorial.	First Friday Adoration Next: 3rd October.
	9:30am	Int. June Stapleton well-being	Eucharistic Adoration 10:30pm – 12:00noon Divine Mercy Prayer & Benediction
WED	30th July	Feria OR St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop	
	9:30am	Int. William Rons R.I.P.	WEEKEND MASSES
THUR	31st July	Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest, Memorial	Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm
	9:30am	Int. Patrick Ring R.I.P.	Sunday 8:30am and 10.15am
FRI	1st August	Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	
	9:30am	Int. Sick and Housebound parishioners	
MASS INTENTIONS Please use a Mass Intention envelope, available in the porch, fill in your 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 please seek consent from other living persons before submitting an intention for them, thank you.			CONFESSIONS Tues-Fri 8:50-9:20 Sat 4:30pm-5:15pm or by appointment (Sat only in August)

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: contact below

Email: 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 for infants and young children, please attend Sunday Mass and ask for Baptism and Godparent forms. Parents must complete a Preparation Course of 2 sessions before Baptism can take place. **The next preparation course will take place in the church meeting room on these dates: Session 1: Sat 6th September 2-4pm and Session 2: Saturday 20th September 2-4pm, for Baptism in October, or later. Thank you**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: CHILDREN IN YrR-Yr3

Children's Liturgy has ceased for summer break and will resume in September.

Volunteers are needed to assist on a rota basis during 10:15am Mass; if you can help please speak with Fr Clement. Thank you

PARISH YOUTH GROUP – PLEASE REGISTER

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

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 Catholic but have never received the Sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation, or if you were baptised in another Christian denomination and would like to become Catholic, please speak directly to Fr Clement to discuss the process.

DIACONATE

If you are a man between 21-58 years old, prayerful, with the desire to love God and God's people, are involved in services within your parish and community, and 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? Please speak to your Parish Priest, or contact the Diaconate Formation Director via e-mail: ianblack@rcaos.org.uk.

KENT CHURCHES RIDE AND STRIDE

The sponsored walk around our local churches will commence from Saint Peter and Paul Church at 1 o'clock on Saturday, September 13th and end at St Francis in time for evening Mass. Please consider joining us on the walk, or sponsor one of the walkers. carolwilton0@gmail.com

ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS NOTICES

There are events for young adults 18-35 and information on upcoming Adult Faith Formation courses available on the church noticeboard, or please click below to visit the archdiocesan website for more.

<https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/>

PILGRIM 2025 PASSPORTS

If you plan to visit any of the designated Jubilee Shrines this year, please take one of the Pilgrim Credentials 'passports' and ask to have it stamped as you visit each Shrine.



MASS CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 2025.

Fr Clement will be taking his annual leave from Sunday 3rd August - Friday 5th September.

We pray for Fr Clement, that he may have safe travels and a restful time, and we pray also for his family as they remember their daughter and sister, Mary Odije Eru, whose one year anniversary will occur on the 9th August. May her soul rest in peace.

Please take note of the Mass schedule below. Fr Jude will celebrate the Wednesday Masses and the weekend Masses will be celebrated by visiting priests: Fr Fidelis Datau MSP 9/10th August; Fr John Adikwu, CM 16/17th August; Mill Hill Missionaries 23/24th August; Fr Emmanuel Abah, CM 30/31st August. Weekend Masses are at the usual times with Confession on Saturdays 4:30-5:15pm. If you need a priest, contact Meopham, Gravesend or Dartford parish. Fr Zammit is the chaplain at Darent

Valley Hospital should you need a priest there

THE CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE

Every parishioner, as well as school teachers and parents, has FREE and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute until it expires on 30th Sept 2025. Follow the link to <https://franciscanathome.com/southwark>

200 CLUB JULY DRAW

The Draw for July will take place this Sunday 27th after 8:30 am Mass.

Present 200 club members will be sent a reminder to renew their annual membership by the end of August, for the next year's monthly draws.

New members are most welcome to join. Information and forms for the 200 club can be found in the church porch and on the website. You can contact Tina Shirley by email stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com or By phone on 07789862902

DATES	MASS AVAILABILITY	TIMES
4th, 5th, 7th, 8th August	No Masses	
Wed 6th August	Transfiguration of the Lord, Solemnity	9:30am
Sat 9th/Sun 10th August	Weekend Masses - MSP Mission Appeal	same
11th, 12th, 14th August	No Masses	
Wed 13th August	Feria	9:30am
Fri 15th August Evening Mass only	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary A Holy Day of Obligation to attend Mass	7:30pm
Sat 16th/Sun 17th August	Weekend Masses	same
18th, 19th, 21st, 22nd Aug	No Masses	
Wed 20th August	Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church	9:30am
Sat 23rd/Sun 24th August	Weekend Masses - Red Box Mission Appeal	same
25th, 26th, 28th, 29th Aug	No Masses	
Wed 27th August	Saint Monica, Memorial	9:30am
Sat 30th/Sun 31st August	Weekend Masses	same
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Sept	No Masses	

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

20th July 2025

Envelopes £55.00

Loose cash £108.90

Contactless £157.00

2nd Collection: £161.90

Thank you, your support is much appreciated.

**Our 2nd Collection this week 26/27th July:
Parish Needs**

THATCH FUND

AMOUNT NEEDED £75,000.00

AMOUNT RAISED £59,494.67

Thank you for your donations and continuing support which is greatly appreciated and needed to help us meet our Thatch Fund target as soon as possible.

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.

- On our parish *Justgiving* page:
- **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.

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

Over 7,000 brands will give small donations to registered charities, so you can raise funds for the parish, at no extra cost, whatever you're buying. **Sign up is FREE! Visit www.easyfundraising.co.uk**

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forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/**

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