



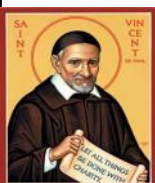
Oratory of St. Francis de Sales  
Roman Catholic Parish  
Archdiocese of Southwark

Parish Newsletter 5th October 2025

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## 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year C Rosary Sunday Mass Book p146

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | MASS INTENTIONS                                                               | THE CHURCH IS OPEN                                                                                                                 |
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| SAT 4th October<br>VIGIL MASS 5:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Int. Ailsa Weaver R.I.P.                                                      | Tuesday-Friday<br>8:30am-3:00pm<br>Saturday<br>10:00am-6:30pm<br>Sunday<br>7:45am-12noon                                           |
| SUN 5th October<br>8:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Int. Olivia O'Connor R.I.P.                                                   | WEEKDAY MASSES<br>Tuesday - Friday<br>8:45am: Exposition of<br>Blessed Sacrament<br>and Morning Prayer.<br>9:30am: Mass            |
| SUN 5th October<br>10:15am<br>12:15pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Int. People of the Parish<br>Baptism                                          | First Friday Adoration<br>is suspended due to<br>the thatch work.<br>Eucharistic Adoration<br>Divine Mercy Prayer<br>& Benediction |
| MON 6th October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | No Mass                                                                       | WEEKEND MASSES<br>Saturday Vigil Mass<br>5:30pm<br>Sunday<br>8:30am and 10.15am                                                    |
| TUES 7th October<br>9:30am<br>Directly after Mass                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Our Lady of the Rosary , Memorial<br>Int.<br>Praying the Holy Rosary          | CONFESSIONS<br>Tues-Fri<br>8:50-9:20am<br>Sat 4:30pm-5:15pm<br>or by appointment                                                   |
| WED 8th October<br>9:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Feria<br>Int. Holy Souls                                                      |                                                                                                                                    |
| THUR 9th October<br>9:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman, Priest<br>Int.                              |                                                                                                                                    |
| FRI 10th October<br>9:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Feria OR St Paulinus of York, Bishop<br>Int: Sick and Housebound Parishioners |                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>MASS INTENTIONS</b><br>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. |                                                                               |                                                                                                                                    |

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 10.00am - 2.00pm

Parish Priest: Fr Clement Eru CM

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PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE PRIEST

DIRECTLY FOR AN APPOINTMENT

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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 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.

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY: CHILDREN IN YrR-Yr3**

Children's Liturgy Sunday 5th October at 10:15am Mass. For Safeguarding purposes, the Meeting Room is not available for other use during the session, our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

### **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 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 advice. Thank you  
The next meeting is Sat 11 Oct 10-11:30am in the Meeting Room.

### **DIACONATE**

If you are a man between 21-58 years old, and are discerning the call to be a Permanent Deacon please speak to Fr Clement or contact: [ianblack@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:ianblack@rcaos.org.uk).

### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROCESS**

You are required to give 6 months notice of Marriage, whether it is taking place here or abroad. Couples wishing to marry should contact Fr. Clement as early as possible.

### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION.**

For parents seeking to enrol their children who are currently in Y3 or above, application forms are available to pick up after Mass. **The closing date to return forms is Friday 10th October 2025.**

### **CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY COLLECTION.**

**Our 2nd Collection on Sunday 5th October will be in support of CAFOD.** You can use a CAFOD envelope to Gift Aid your donation or via CAFOD's website <https://cafod.org.uk>

### **OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE ROSARY**

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7th. Pope Leo XIV has called for everyone to pray the Rosary for peace and as our Jubilee year, continues, for priests. For guidance, please visit <https://www.mydailyrosary.com>

### **'TOGETHER IS BETTER' COFFEE MORNING.**

Beginning Wednesday 8th October, we will be hosting a 'Coffee & Cake' get together every Wednesday morning 10.00 -12.00 in the meeting room. All are welcome and we hope it will become a place for people to get together and enjoy the company of others.

## YOUTH GROUP

**For children in School Year 4 to Year 6.**

Registration forms for parents to sign are available in the church porch or on the website <http://saintfrancisdesales.org.uk>

## VINCENTIAN MARIAN YOUTH GROUP

**For teenagers in School Year 7 to Year 13.**

***Faith • Friendship • Service***

We are excited to announce the launch of our Vincentian Marian Youth Group for teenagers.

**First Gathering: Sunday 2nd November**

**Time: 1:00pm– 2:30 pm**

**Place: Church Meeting Room**

**Come and join us for our first get-together!**

**There will be:**

- ◇ Light lunch to share together
- ◇ Fun activities and games
- ◇ A chance to grow in faith with other young people in a relaxed and welcoming space

**This group is open to all teenagers who want to:**

- ◇ Make new friends
- ◇ Deepen their relationship with God
- ◇ Be inspired by the values of St. Vincent de Paul and strengthen your devotion to Our Lady through joy, prayer, and service
- ◇ Be part of something new — faith, fun, and friendship all in one place!

## CATHOLIC WELCOME CIRCLE

The CWC will NOT be meeting this month 8th October. We will meet as usual at 1.45pm On 12th November. Thank you.

## 40th ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION

**On Saturday 18th October 2025, at our 5:30pm Mass,** we will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the Dedication of the church in 1985, after the extension was completed.

## WORK TO REPLACE THE THATCHED ROOF

The work to replace continues between 7am - 4pm, Monday to Fridays and possibly Saturdays. Weekend Masses are not affected and parishioners will be notified should Masses during the week be affected. The church car park is closed for this period.

If anyone has any use for the old thatch which is being taken off the roof, you are welcome to have it.

## ST FRANCIS DE SALES 200 CLUB

The September Draw winners: 1st Prize £60 no. 139 J. Vine, 2nd Prize £30 no. 41 T. Shirley. The 200 Club is open to anyone over the age of 16yrs. All relevant information can be found in the church porch or can be downloaded from the parish website. Contact Tina on 07789862902 or at [stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com](mailto:stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com)

## CELEBRATING CULTURAL & ETHNIC IDENTITIES IN OUR PARISHES Free Webinar Thursday 16th October 7:00–8:45pm.

All are welcome to join the Archdiocese of Southwark Commission for Promoting Racial and Cultural Inclusion Zoom webinar. Go to <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/QJ5vL4nURTmnHUIAa2BiKA>

| DATES                 | MASS/SERVICE                                 | TIMES       |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Wednesday 8th October | 'Together is better' Coffee and Cake morning | 10am-12noon |
| Saturday 11th October | RCIA Meeting in the Meeting Room             | 10-11:30am  |
| 11th and 12th October | The Knights of St Columba Recruitment Drive  | all Masses  |
| Saturday 18th October | 40th Anniversary of Hartley consecrated      | 5:30pm      |
| Sunday 26th October   | Baptism                                      | 12:30pm     |
| Monday 3rd November   | Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed   | 9:30am      |

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

28th September 2025

Envelopes £34.00

Loose cash £49.80

Contactless £150.50

2nd Collection: £186.53

Standing Order September: £2,120.00

*Thank you, your support is much appreciated.*

2nd Collection this weekend:

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Collection

Please pick up a CAFOD envelope or see the noticeboard for details on how to donate.

### THATCH FUND

**AMOUNT RAISED £75,921.69**

Thank you for all donations received to date - this has enabled us to start the work in the next couple of weeks.

Your continuing support to this Fund is vital and greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**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](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!**

**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.

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