



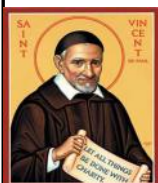
Oratory of St. Francis de Sales
Roman Catholic Parish
Archdiocese of Southwark

Parish Newsletter 2nd November 2025

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	MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN
SAT 1st November	All Saints	Tuesday-Friday 8:30am-3:00pm
VIGIL MASS 5:30pm	Int. Wayne Parfitt R.I.P.	Saturday 10:00am-6:30pm
SUN 2nd November 8:30am	All Saints Int. People of the Parish	Sunday 7:45am-12noon
SUN 2nd November 10:15am	All Saints Int. Andrew & Yvonne Dyer Golden Wedding Anniversary	WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday - Friday 8:45am: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer. 9:30am: Mass
MON 3rd November 9:30am and 7:00pm 10:30am	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed, All Souls' Mass Int. Holy Souls Blessing & Prayers at Hartley, Ash, Longfield, Cemeteries	First Friday Adoration is suspended due to the thatch work. Eucharistic Adoration Divine Mercy Prayer & Benediction
TUES 4th November 9:30am	Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop, Memorial Int. Brian Spickett, Joy & Cyril Foster, Alice & Ralph Goodsell R.I.P.	WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm Sunday 8:30am and 10.15am
WED 5th November 9:30am	Feria Int. Vincent Regan R.I.P.	CONFESIONS Tues-Fri 8:50-9:20am Sat 4:30pm-5:15pm or by appointment
THUR 6th November 9:30am	Feria Int. William Rons R.I.P.	
FRI 7th November 9:30am	The Dedication of the Cathedral Church of Saint George. 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.		

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

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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 speak to Fr Clement. Parents must complete a Preparation Course of 2 sessions before Baptism can take place. The next course will take place early in 2026.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: CHILDREN IN YrR-Yr3 Resumes Sunday 9th Nov at 10:15am Mass.

For Safeguarding purposes, the Meeting Room is not available for other use during this session, but will be free when the children return at the Offertory, our apologies for any inconvenience caused.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you have never been baptized or baptized in another Christian denomination and wish to become Catholic or baptized Catholic but never received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, you are welcome to join the RCIA program, the process by which people become Catholic. Please speak to Fr Clement as soon as possible for guidance.

9th NOVEMBER IS REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Next Sunday we will pray for all who died in the Two World Wars. This year's Remembrance Service will take place at Hartley War Memorial on Ash Rd at 3:00pm.

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL ON 9th NOVEMBER

Next weekend, our 2nd Collection will be in support of the Archbishop's Appeal which funds three key mission areas: Youth and Evangelization, Our Faith in Action, Clergy Care and Formation. Visit the Southwark website www.rcsouthwark.co.uk for more. To Gift Aid your donation, please use the envelopes provided in the church porch.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION.

Parents who have submitted an application form are invited to a meeting with Fr Clement on Friday 7th November at 3:40pm in the church.

KENT CHURCHES RIDE & STRIDE

Thank you to all our Riders, Striders, Welcomers, and generous Donators. This year's event raised £685, half of which will be returned to our parish. Thank you, Carol.

WORK TO REPLACE THE THATCHED ROOF

The work 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. Thank you.

CWC (CATHOLIC WELCOME CIRCLE)

All are welcome to join us in the church Meeting Room on Wed 12th November at 1.45pm. We look forward to seeing you then

ST FRANCIS DE SALES 200 CLUB

The Draw for October will take place on Sunday 2nd November after 8:30am Mass.

All relevant information can be found in the church porch or on the parish website. Contact Tina Shirley by phone 07789862902 or at stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com

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 - 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!



NOVEMBER - MONTH OF HOLY SOULS

The Church calls us to pray during this month for all the deceased. To have prayers offered for your dearly departed throughout the month, please place their names in the November Holy Souls envelopes and return them as soon as possible. All names will be entered in our Remembrance Book. Where an Intention is requested, Mass will be offered for the repose of those souls named.

A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Holy Souls, may be gained once in any church either on All Souls' Day, on the preceding or following Sunday or on the Feast of All Saints, on the usual conditions, viz a visit to a church, where the Our Father and Creed are recited, sacramental confession, Holy Communion and prayer for the Holy Father's intention. Those who visit a cemetery between 1st and 8th November and pray for the faithful departed, may obtain a plenary indulgence, applicable to the holy souls (and at other times a partial indulgence).

MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS 2025 & NAMES IN OUR REMEMBRANCE BOOK

Will be on Friday 28th November at 7:00pm. As we did last year, red 'In Loving Memory' candles are available to purchase for £5 each. We will light these during the Mass and they will remain burning to the end of November.

DATES	MASS/SERVICE	TIMES
Wednesday mornings	'Together is better' Coffee and Cake morning	10am-12noon
Throughout November	Intentions in November Holy Souls envelopes	
1st & 2nd November	Solemnity of All Saints, Holy Day of Obligation	Sunday Masses
Sunday 2nd November	Launch of Vincentian Marian Youth Group	1:00-2:30pm
Mon 3rd November All Souls' Day	Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed Followed by Visit & Prayers at local Cemeteries	9:30am & 7:00pm 10:30am
Sunday 9th November	Baptism	12:30pm
Sunday 9th November	Remembrance Service, Hartley War Memorial	3:00pm
Tues 11th November	Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy St. Anselms	Dartford 11:00am

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

26th October 2025

Envelopes: £23.00

Loose cash: £57.11

Contactless: £136.00

2nd Collection: £88.90

Standing Orders in October: £2,388.00

Thank you for your support.

2nd Collection this weekend:
PARISH NEEDS

THATCH FUND

TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED TO RETHATCH THE CHURCH in 2025 £75,994.77

Thank you for all donations received to date which are enabling us to carry out the work to rethatch the roof. Our ongoing support to this Fund is vital for future maintenance and for the next interim work which will happen midway to the next rethatching.

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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forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/

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