



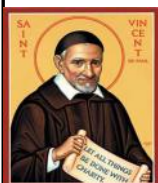
Oratory of St. Francis de Sales
Roman Catholic Parish
Archdiocese of Southwark

Parish Newsletter 9th November 2025

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	MASS INTENTIONS	THE CHURCH IS OPEN
SAT 8th November	Prayer for all who died in the two World Wars	Tuesday-Friday 8:30am-3:00pm
VIGIL MASS 5:30pm	Int. David Coffey R.I.P.	Saturday 10:00am-6:30pm
SUN 9th November 8:30am	Prayer for all who died in the two World Wars Int. Ann Craine R.I.P.	Sunday 7:45am-12noon
SUN 9th November 10:15am 12:30	Prayer for all who died in the two World Wars Int. Creasy Family R.I.P. Baptism	WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday - Friday 8:45am: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Morning Prayer. 9:30am: Mass
MON 10th November	Private Mass	First Friday Adoration is suspended due to the thatch work.
TUES 11th November 9:30am 11:00am	Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop, Memorial NO Mass Mass for Deceased Clergy of Gravesend Deanery at St. Anselm's RC Church, West Hill, Dartford. DA12HJ	Eucharistic Adoration Divine Mercy Prayer & Benediction
WED 12th November 9:30am	Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr, Memorial Int. Ailsa Weaver, Gladys & Richard Weaver R.I.P.	WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm
THUR 13th November 9:30am	Feria OR Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Religious Int. Friends & Family of Angela Jones R.I.P.	Sunday 8:30am and 10.15am
FRI 14th November 9:30am	Feria Int: Votto family & Hall family R.I.P.	CONFESSIONS Tues-Fri 8:50-9:20am Sat 4:30pm-5:15pm or by appointment
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

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Parish Secretary: Jane Pemberton

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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.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROCESS

Couples 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. Thank you.

9th NOVEMBER IS REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This 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

This 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.**

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

**October Draw: 1st Prize £60 no.57 P. Joyce
2nd Prize £30 no.117 M. Halpin.**

Membership to the 200 Club is open to anyone over 16 years old. All relevant information can be found in the church porch or on the parish website. For more, Contact Tina Shirley on 07789862902 or by email stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com

PRAYER AND FASTING FOR LIFE

Join us on Monday 17th November. These days seem quite dark, what with Parliament voting to partly decriminalise abortion and voting to legalise euthanasia. Please invite others to join us in praying a Rosary and fasting for life - you can do so by visiting www.facebook.com/events/828656872884422 Or please visit **GoodCounselNetwork.com**

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.

'In Loving Memory' candles are available to purchase now and burn at home. Payment of £5 per candle either by cash in a marked envelope to be placed in the collection basket, delivered to White Friars, or use the contactless machine. Thank you.

MASS FOR DECEASED DEANERY CLERGY

There will not be a 9:30am Mass in Hartley on Tuesday 11th November. Parishioners are instead asked to attend the Deanery Mass at 11.00am on Tuesday 11th November in St. Anselm's Dartford for Deceased Clergy of the Gravesend deanery. *May eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

DECEASED CLERGY MASS AT ST. GEORGE'S

The Deceased Clergy Mass at the Cathedral will take place on **Tuesday 18th November 2025 from 12.30pm**. All are welcome to attend. Please note there will be NO 9:30am Mass in Hartley on 18th November.

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 now to purchase and burn at home, for donation of £5 each. We will also have these candles to light during the Mass for Deceased parishioners and they will remain burning to the end of November.

YOUTH GROUP

For children in School Year 4 - Year 6.

Details about meetings coming soon!

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

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

This group is open to 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!

Details of our next meeting coming soon!

DATES	MASS/SERVICE	TIMES
Wednesday mornings	'Together is better' Coffee and Cake morning	10am-12
Throughout November	Intentions in November Holy Souls envelopes	
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	11:00am
Tuesday 18th November	No 9:30am Morning Mass in Hartley	
Tuesday 18th November	Deceased Clergy Mass at St. George's	12:30pm

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

2nd November 2025

Envelopes: £32.00

Loose cash: £90.17

Contactless: £117.00

2nd Collection: £122.41

Thank you for your support.

2nd Collection this weekend:

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL

Please see the notice inside the newsletter

Please use the Special Diocesan envelopes

to Gift Aid your donation, thank you

THATCH FUND

AMOUNT RAISED 26/10-2/11: £48.72.

Thank you for all donations received to date which have enabled us to carry out the work to rethatch the roof. Our ongoing support is vital for interim maintenance work which will happen midway to the next complete rethatching needed.

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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