



**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (YEAR A)**

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|                   |   | <b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>  | <b>THE CHURCH IS OPEN</b>  |
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| <b>SAT</b>        | <b>10th January</b>                       | Morn: Feria of Christmas Time   | <b>Tuesday -Friday</b><br>8:30am-3:00pm  |
| <b>VIGIL MASS</b> | <b>5:30pm</b>                             | Int. People of the Parish   | <b>Saturday</b><br>10:00am-6:30pm  |
| <b>SUN</b>        | <b>11th January</b><br><br><b>8:30am</b>  | Int. Stefan and Maura Wojdyla R.I.P.  | <b>Sunday</b><br>7:45am-12noon   |
| <b>SUN</b>        | <b>11th January</b><br><br><b>10:15am</b> | Int. Holy Souls and Sick and Housebound parishioners<br><br><b>THE END OF THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS</b> | <b>WEEKDAY MASSES</b><br><b>Tuesday - Friday</b><br>8:45am: Exposition of<br>Blessed Sacrament<br>and Morning Prayer.<br><b>9:30am:</b> Mass |
| <b>MON</b>        | <b>12th January</b>                       | <b>ORDINARY TIME BEFORE LENT BEGINS</b>   | <b>Please note: NO</b><br><b>Morning Prayer or</b><br><b>Mass from Tues 13th-<br/>Fri 16th.</b>  |
| <b>TUES</b>       | <b>13th January</b>                       | Feria OR St Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church<br><br><b>NO MASS</b>                               | <b>First Friday Adoration</b><br>is suspended due to<br>ongoing repair works.  |
| <b>WED</b>        | <b>14th January</b>                       | Feria<br><br><b>NO MASS</b>   | <b>WEEKEND MASSES</b><br><b>Saturday Vigil Mass</b><br>5:30pm  |
| <b>THUR</b>       | <b>15th January</b>                       | Feria<br><br><b>NO MASS</b>   | <b>Sunday</b><br>8:30am 10.15am<br><b>CONFESIONS</b><br>Tues-Fri<br>8:50am-9:20am<br>Sat 4:30pm-5:15pm<br>or by appointment                  |
| <b>FRI</b>        | <b>16th January</b>                       | Feria<br><br><b>NO MASS</b>   |  |

**MASS INTENTIONS/BLESSINGS:**

Please use a Mass Intention envelope from the porch, fill in your details and return it to Fr Clement. An offering donation may be placed in the envelope, or use the Contactless machine or BACS to Nat West Bank St Francis de Sales 34143580 Sort 60-06-33, reference 'Mass Intention'. Please state if your intention is private, and kindly 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](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: contact below**

**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. Please fill in a Parishioner Registration Form, available in the porch or on the parish website.

## BAPTISM FOR BABIES AND INFANTS

Parents seeking Baptism for infants and young children, please first attend Mass and speak to Fr Clement. Parents must complete a Preparation Course of 2 sessions before Baptism can take place. **The next course will run on Saturdays 17th & 31st January 2026 from 2-4pm in the church meeting room.**

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

**Sunday 11th January 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 to start the process. Thank you.

## TAKING DOWN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

The Season of Christmas ends on Sunday 11th January and we will need help to take the decorations down. **If you can spare some time on Monday 12th January from 9:30am, we would greatly appreciate it.**

## ST FRANCIS DE SALES 200 CLUB

Membership is open to anyone over 16years old. For more, Contact Tina Shirley on 07789862902 or email Tina or Kate at [stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com](mailto:stfrancisdesales200club@gmail.com)

## 'TOGETHER IS BETTER' COFFEE MORNING

The coffee & cake morning takes place in the meeting room Wednesdays at 10.00am. Yvonne and Theresa look forward to seeing you and to welcoming new parishioners.

## CATHOLIC WELCOME CIRCLE

The CWC will NOT MEET In January. Weather permitting we will meet in February.

## CHRISTMAS CRIB COLLECTION 2025

The Crib Collection Box in support of children in crisis and families in the Holy Land, will be removed on Sunday 11th January with end of the Season of Christmas. Please see the posters in the church and on the noticeboard outside the church if you still wish to support this cause. Thank you for your kindness

## FR CLEMENT WILL BE ON RETREAT

Fr Clement will be on priestly retreat this week from Monday 12th Jan– Friday 16th. There will not be any weekday Morning Prayer or Mass from Tuesday 13th-Friday 16th, however, the church will be open during the day for private prayer. Thank you for your understanding and consideration. Should anyone need a priest urgently, please contact Fr Jude at St. Paul's in Meopham. Please keep Fr Clement in your prayers for his safe travels, rest, and return. Thank you.

## SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ON

### SATURDAY 24th JANUARY 2026 AT 10:00am

This annual Service is held to mark the octave of Christian Unity which is from 18th-25th January. It is the turn of our parish to host this Service and we have invited the congregations of our local Anglican Churches to join us.

The Service will be followed by refreshments in the meeting room and an opportunity for fellowship. All are warmly invited to join us.

More details from [carolwilton0@gmail.com](mailto:carolwilton0@gmail.com)

### SUNDAY 25th JANUARY 2026 AT 10:30am

#### St. Francis de Sales Feast Day Mass followed by a parish celebration lunch.

On the weekend of 24/25th January, we will have our 5:30pm Mass on Saturday, then **ONE Parish Mass at 10:30am on Sunday 25th** when Bishop Paul Hendricks will celebrate and bless our new thatched roof. For those who will attend 5:30pm Mass on

Saturday evening, please do come back with your family to join us on Sunday for lunch.

**Please tick the sheet in the entrance porch to indicate your attendance for the lunch—whether adult or child, NO NAMES PLEASE.**

Also, if a vegetarian/vegan option is needed. Thank you.

## PARISH YOUTH GROUP

### For children in School Year 4 - Year 6.

We look forward to restarting sessions 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 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!

## YOUNG ADULTS GROUP for those aged 18-35

Please pick up a registration form in the church and return it to Fr Clement or White Friars. Meeting dates to be confirmed soon.

| DATES                    | MASS/SERVICE   | TIMES     |
|--------------------------|--|-----------|
| Wednesday mornings       | Coffee and Cake morning  | 10-12noon |
| Tues 13-Fri 16th January | No Morning Prayer and NO 9:30am Mass<br>The church will be open for private prayer | 8:30-3pm  |
| Saturday 24th January    | Vigil Mass of Sunday   | 5:30pm    |
| Sunday 25th January      | Feast of St Francis de Sales - One parish Mass                                     | 10:30am   |
| Sunday 25th January      | Feast Day Celebration in OLOH School Hall  | 12:00-2pm |

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

**4th January 2026**

**Envelopes: £29.00**

**Loose cash: £52.60**

**Contactless: £45.00**

**2nd Collection: £99.00**

*Thank you for your support.*

### **2nd Collection this weekend: Parish Needs**

**CRIB COLLECTION 2025: Children's Society & Friends of the Holy Land**  
***The Crib Box is in place beside the Nativity Scene until 11th January***

### **THATCH FUND**

**Donations received December 2025: £46.90**

Our ongoing weekly/monthly/annual commitment to the Thatch Fund is vital for the interim maintenance work which will happen midway to the next complete rethatching, in 15 years or so. 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)**

**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.

**Sign up is FREE and easy! Please visit [www.easyfundraising.co.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk) Thank you!**

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[forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/](http://forms.rcaos.org.uk/giftaid/)