Dear Friends,

The Vatican has published new guidelines for Parishes, which encourages us to think of ourselves as missionary communities of evangelization. Let us prayerfully ponder what a Parish is, and what it’s for? Over the next few weeks we will discuss the sections. So we have all heard the term ‘the Parish is mission’ but what does it mean for us? The guidelines call us “to go out of ourselves, as instruments for reform (not reformation), even structural, in a spirit of communion and collaboration, of encounter and closeness, of mercy and solicitude for the proclamation of the Gospel.” It goes on to say “Since its inception, the Parish is envisioned as a response to a precise pastoral need, namely that of bringing the Gospel to the People through the proclamation of the faith and the celebration of the Sacraments.”

“Renewing the heart of the Parish and opening the way to a new vitality that favours the rediscovery of the vocation of the baptised as a disciple of Jesus Christ and a missionary of the Gospel and the call to Holiness.” It wants us to focus on this important part “The Holy Eucharist and the poor.” Sure, this has always been an important part of the life of this Parish, but I feel we need to refresh this important part of our life here. We do lots of things which are wonderful, but I wonder who we can engage in our call to serve as we ourselves are given the Best Food through the Body and Blood of Christ. Saint Theresa of Calcutta says ‘as we look at the poor we see Christ.’ Exactly the same Christ as we see, touch and taste in the Holy Eucharist. I will meet with our Care Group and I ask for your suggestions too?

“The Eucharistic mystery is ‘the source and summit of the whole Christian life’ and accordingly, the essential moment for building up the Parish community.” It reminds us that Holy Mass is very much the centre of Parish life, but we need to use its untold grace as a motivation to doing God’s work outside of the building of our Church? As the document says “the place from which the Parish receives its mission.” In the Mass, the Parish “welcomes the living presence of the Crucified and Risen Lord, receiving the announcement of the entire mystery of salvation.” And, the document says, the poor should be invited to the heart of Parish life. Here in Knaphill the poor are in disguise as they’re not obviously homeless or shabby looking. But there are many homes and people here who need our help, our prayers and our solidarity and to know that God is with them. We are called to be “a ‘sanctuary’ open to all, the Parish, called to reach out to everyone, without exception”. We should remember that the poor and the excluded must always have a privileged place especially where many people do not know or practice the faith. Email us at the Parish Office with suggestions of how we can be a missionary community, and how we can focus on proclaiming the Gospel to all who will hear.

In Jesus and Mary ..........................Fr Gerard
CHURCH OPENING

Private Prayer: Tuesdays 2.00pm - 3.00pm
Public Mass: Tuesdays at 3pm - No need to book
Public Mass: Fridays 6.00pm; Sunday Mass - 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm

Here are the Guidelines when visiting the Church.
It is essential that all kindly adhere to the following:

General guidelines for all services:

- Enter the Church by the main door
- If capacity is reached, you may be asked to wait
- Please use the sanitiser provided as you enter the Church
- Please maintain a distance of 2 metres/6 feet apart at all times
- You will be asked for your name and contact number in case of need
- If you wish to light a candle, ask the Steward as you enter and you will be given one (Candles are only available at private prayer)
- Please note your votive candle should be lit on your way out
- Please sit alone where indicated in the Church unless you belong to the same household
- Please do not touch any statues, crucifixes or shrines
- Access to the Sacristy and Narthex will not be allowed, toilets will not be available
- If you wish to wear a face covering, please do so
- Exit by Our Lady’s altar only and please use the sanitiser provided as you exit.

Additional guidelines for Mass:

- Please book your place by emailing the Parish Office at knaphill@ab-diocese.org.uk stating your preferred time of Mass; you will receive an email confirming your place.
- Deadline for booking will be 6.00pm on the Friday evening. It is important to book as we do not want to turn anyone away.
- Capacity is 16 places i.e. 1 person is one place, a family or a couple is one place. Sadly, we will be unable to allow people to stand in the aisles, at the back or in the Narthex
- The Church will open no earlier than 15 minutes before the start of Holy Mass
- You will be asked your name by the Steward, who will guide you to your place
- Holy Communion will be after the Final Blessing. Where we would normally say ‘Amen’ when receiving the Sacred Host, from now until we are told, we receive the Lord in silence
- Holy Communion will be distributed silently, with the communicant standing with outstretched arms and avoiding any physical contact

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CHURCH OPENING - Private Prayer and Public Mass

- Please wait in the pew until instructed to move forward to the Priest for Holy Communion by the Steward, taking into account the regulations on social distancing.
- Straight after receiving the Sacred Host, please depart via the side door.
- As you leave you will have an opportunity to put your envelopes or cash offerings in the basket. Alternatively, you can donate online or via standing order. See details below.
- The Church will then be closed for cleaning to take place ready for the next Mass.

Volunteer Stewards/Cleaners - both needed on Fridays and Sundays on a regular basis. Steward for 20 minutes before the start of Mass and a few minutes after and Cleaners for an hour after Mass. On Tuesdays, Stewards are needed from 1.45pm - 4.00pm and Cleaners from 4.00pm - 5.00pm. Please contact Anne on 01483 480677 for further details.

In order to open the Church, we continue to need volunteers. In line with the guidance, volunteers should NOT participate in the following circumstances:
- If they, or a member of their household is currently unwell with symptoms of Coronavirus,
- vulnerable due to age or underlying health issues or if they live with someone who is extremely vulnerable.

Ministers of the Word also needed for all Masses. Contact Anne as above.

Financial Giving to the Parish

Please seriously think about how you can support your Parish at this difficult time. Here are some options for giving. You can easily set up a Standing Order using the links on our website www.stughoflincoln.com/GiftAid/Giving or by using online banking. You have control over the amount donated.

If you are a tax payer and wish to Gift Aid your donation either as a one off donation or regular payment, please do so via the following:
- Bank: HSBC
- Account name: Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton St Hugh of Lincoln Knaphill Gift Aid
- Account number: 31077384; Sort code: 40 05 20
- As a tax payer, you will also need to complete the Gift Aid Declaration form on the website Gift Aid/Giving Tab. Completed forms should be returned to: Ian Dallas, 47 High Street, Knaphill, Woking GU21 2PX

If you are not a tax payer and wish to make a one off donation or regular payment, please do so via the following:
- Bank: HSBC
- Account name: Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton St Hugh of Lincoln Knaphill General Account
- Account number: 01247611; Sort code: 40 05 20

If you wish to donate by way of a cheque made payable to the Parish as above and sent to the Parish Office at 95 Victoria Road, Knaphill, Woking GU21 2AA, it would also be very welcome.

Any donation that you make will be greatly appreciated.
Dates for your Diary - August 2020
Monday 3rd and Saturday 8th - Rosary and Adoration at 8pm.
Sunday 2nd and 9th - Vespers and Benediction at 3.00pm.
Live stream via Facebook on the days above where possible
Tuesday 4th, Adoration commences at 2.00pm followed by Mass at 3.00pm - No need to book

Baptism Preparation Course
If you are planning to have your child Baptised, and have not attended the course before, please email the Parish Office to register on the course and to receive further information.
The next Baptism Preparation Course is currently scheduled to run September 2020.

Woking Hospice
Millie Tiangga ‘cycled in her conservatory’ for 2 hours 15 minutes on Tuesday 7th July; the length of time it took her last year to walk the 11 kilometres in the annual Midnight Walk in aid of the Hospice.
Please support her and this worthy cause via https://www.justgiving.com search Millennia Tiangga

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS
Parishioners will be able to watch all the Masses live stream through YouTube or Facebook.

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2nd August 2020 - Year A

| Sun 02  | 8.00am | Latin Mass | People of the Parish |
| Mon 03  | 11.00am | Feria in Ordinary time Week 18 | Recovery of Marianne Lopez |
| Tue 04  | 3.00pm | St John Mary Vianney | Holy Souls |
| Wed 05  | 11.00am | St Sixtus II & Companions | Geoffray & Del Edmonds RIP |
| Thu 06  | 7.30pm | The Transfiguration of the Lord--Latin Mass | Robert Omasta RIP |
| Fri 07  | 6.00pm | St Dominic, Priest | In celebration of Miss M Harper (100th Birthday) |

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9th August 2020 - Year A

| Sun 09  | 8.00am | Latin Mass | Eric White RIP |
| Mon 10  | 11.00am | Morning Mass | People of the Parish |
| Tue 11  | 5.00pm | Evening Mass | Bridget Collins RIP |

Mass Intentions available for the months of August and September.

Offertory Collection for last week: Standing Orders £588.33 which was Gift Aided. Many Thanks.

The Memorare
Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that any one who fled to thy protection,
implored thy help or sought thy intercession,
was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence,
we fly unto thee, O Virgins of virgins my Mother;
to thee do we come, before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful;
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not our petitions,
but in thy mercy hear and answer them.
Amen.