

**EASING OF LOCKDOWN:** As the rules slowly change it brings us new freedoms and new challenges. The most important thing is to keep our churches open and safe spaces for the faithful to gather to worship, and this means constant vigilance. In using our churches please keep in mind:

**1) RESPECT FOR ONE ANOTHER:** We need to preserve **PHYSICAL DISTANCING**. Please follow the directions of the stewards, and give each other space coming into and leaving church.

**2) RESPECT FOR THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** If you are able to come to the grace of Holy Communion remember the guidelines: Holy Communion is received silently in the hands, which should be extended as far as possible in front of you, and you should be holding nothing else in your hands, including for example face coverings or a rosary. You are respectfully asked **not** to wear your face covering when coming to Holy Communion, so that you may worthily consume the Blessed Sacrament. This is why the priest wears his face covering at this point, to maximise mutual safety.

*These guidelines are not invented by your parish clergy - they come to us from the bishops and we are all asked to respect them, clergy and faithful alike.*

**"PETER'S PENCE" COLLECTION TODAY FOR PAPAL CHARITIES:** If you wish to add anything to the annual collection for Papal charities please put it in an envelope marked accordingly and add that to the collection buckets or put it through the door of the office or presbytery.)

**SEA SUNDAY AND SUPPORT FOR THE APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA:** Sea Sunday is NEXT SUNDAY, 11th July, when we remember in prayer and practical aid the work of the Apostleship of the Sea. To support the charity's work, please go to [www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate). To listen to Bishop Paul Mason's Sea Sunday message go to [www.stellamaris.org.uk/seasunday](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/seasunday). If you wish to add anything to the annual collection for the Apostleship of the Sea please put it in an envelope marked accordingly and add that to the collection buckets or put it through the door of the office or presbytery.

**STAFFING CHANGES IN THE PARISH:** As it was recently later in the year Fr Tom will be moving to a new parish. He is still awaiting to be told where the Cardinal wishes him to serve. We do know that he will be replaced by Fr Chinedu Udo who is currently the Assistant Priest in Enfield. Please keep Fr Tom, Fr Chinedu and Fr James in your prayers during this time.

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS:** As things "open up" there is all the more need to manage the buildings - so we need all the volunteers possible to help with this. It is a bit of an awkward task, but a vital one. If you are between ages 18-70 and can help your parish in this way, please email your name etc to the parish email address.

**PARISH OFFICE:** The office remains closed to visitors, because the building is not open to unscheduled visits. You can contact the office by the parish telephone number and Cynthia can make arrangements to collect or drop off documents etc on an individual basis. Please respect this and please don't ring the door bell on the way in to or out of Mass.

**8 JULY: WESTMINSTER YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM: MENTAL HEALTH FORUM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE:** join the Youth Ministry team and a panel of young Catholic exploring the theme of Mental Health, the Sacraments and how we can navigate our faith when facing times of trouble. More info or book a place at [youth@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:youth@rcdow.org.uk)

**11TH ANNUAL G.K.CHESTERTON PILGRIMAGE:** Sunday 24 July. Should you wish for some fresh air and up to 27 miles of walking!! More information is available at [www.catholicgkchestertonsociety.co.uk](http://www.catholicgkchestertonsociety.co.uk) or tel: 07795 205114. Pilgrims are taking prayer requests, especially for Life Issues, on [catholicgkcsociety@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:catholicgkcsociety@yahoo.co.uk)

**RIGHT TO LIFE UK ASK FOR YOUR HELP:** Ask your MP to vote against abortion up to birth  
The abortion lobby, led by the UK's largest abortion provider, BPAS, has worked with Diana Johnson MP to bring forward an amendment to hijack the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill to introduce abortion on demand, for any reason, up to birth to England and Wales.

This would be the single biggest change to abortion legislation since 1967 and would leave England and Wales with one of the most extreme abortion laws in the world. We are expecting that this radical proposal will be voted on by MPs this Monday.

Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool that makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to vote against the motion. Please click the link below to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds!

[www.righttolife.org.uk/StopAbortionUpToBirth](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/StopAbortionUpToBirth)

**SPUC ASK FOR YOUR HELP:** Please meet your MP to lobby against DIY abortion and assisted suicide. SPUC is holding a Mass lobby of MPs on Friday 16 July or Saturday 17 July 2021. We are asking pro-life supporters up and down the country to organise a meeting with their MP, at the MP's constituency office, on one of these dates. The DIY abortion policy is still in place, and there is a renewed threat of assisted suicide being legalised. Please ask your MP to lobby the Health Secretary to end DIY abortion. Please ask

your MP to vote against assisted suicide. SPUC has produced dedicated briefings to help you lobby your MP. Please go to [www.spuc.org.uk/MassLobby2021](http://www.spuc.org.uk/MassLobby2021)

**MARCH FOR LIFE UK: SATURDAY 4 SEPTEMBER:** This year March for Life is back on the streets of London. Join the pro-life movement in this act of witness. Details at [www.marchforlife.co.uk](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk).

**APPEAL FOR PRAYER FOR LEBANON:** The Assembly of Catholic Patriarchs and Bishops of Lebanon have asked for prayers and support as the Lebanese nation is facing a serious risk of losing its identity forged by encounter, plurality and fraternity, in the light of an unprecedented political, social, sanitary and economic crisis. Practical support can be given through Aid to the Church in Need.

**SCHOOL PLACES AVAILABLE AT SUDBURY!!!** St George's Catholic Primary School, Sudbury Hill, have spaces currently available in Year 2 and Year 4 in this popular successful school. Please contact the school office for further information [office@stgeorges.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:office@stgeorges.harrow.sch.uk) or telephone the school 020 8422 1272. For families with children not in Catholic Schools, this is highly recommended.

**NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE AT ST SWITHIN WELLS SCHOOL:** The school have some spaces in Nursery for children born between 1st September 2017- 31st August 2018

**IN YEAR PLACES AT ST SWITHIN WELLS SCHOOL:** There are spaces due to families moving out of the area. Please contact Mrs Sharp, Admissions Officer [admissions@ssw.school](mailto:admissions@ssw.school) Tel:01895 808194 if you would like to find out more. Applications & relevant paperwork can be downloaded [here](#)

**REDUNDANCY COACHING:** <https://www.vitaeopus.co.uk> provides free online information and advice about Job Hunting, Self Employment and Active Retirement for Parishioners adversely affected workwise by the pandemic. This has been passed on to us by the Diocese of Northampton.

**GRANT MONEY AVAILABLE FOR GREENER HOMES:** Maybe you have already heard of the scheme, but in brief, it offers grants of up to £10,000 to owner occupiers (and in some cases have been able to offer much more using additional schemes such as ECO) to carry out energy efficiency works on their properties at absolutely no cost to the resident. The West London Green Homes Grant: Local Authority Delivery Scheme is open to landlords and homeowners of D, E, F, and G rated homes in Barnet, Brent, Ealing, Hammersmith & Fulham, Harrow, Hounslow, Kensington and Chelsea, Lambeth, Newham, Richmond, and Wandsworth. To be eligible, the total household income must be below £30k/year (and up to £20k in housing benefits). If you believe that you or your tenant may qualify, please call Healthy Homes Ealing at 0800 083 2265 and ask to be screened for the LAD program or register for the scheme by visiting: <https://london.greendoctors.org.uk/green-homes-grant>.

**"JESUS, I ADORE YOU":** is a new book of prayers before the Blessed Sacrament for younger children. Available from St Gabriel's office or stewards priced £5.95. A really good teaching resource for parents, especially in this time without public celebration of Mass.

**HAND MADE ICON FOR SALE:** Cristinel Paslaru, who made the icons of the Baptism of Christ in St Gabriel's and of the Holy Trinity in St Bernard's is a professional Icon Writer from Iasi in Romania.

He has made a new icon of St Christopher (25cms x 12cms) which is looking for a home. His price is £150. Cristi's work is beautiful and of the highest quality. All questions or enquiries to Fr James.



## Support our parish.

You can make a donation to the parish by scanning the QR code or making a card payment on the card machine at the entrance of both of our churches.