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Keeping in touch with Fr. Gordon Adam Sunday, 28th June 2020

Dear All

As ever I hope you are well and keeping yourself occupied.

Happy Feast day for SS Peter and Paul!

First, about the gremlins with the live stream this morning. The cameras kept moving to views that were not intended. At the end of Mass we found that Deacon Shaun's Missal was lying on top of the second remote control which was beside his seat. We think this might have been the gremlin as we have had no problems with the view changing itself on the other three occasions we have used the system so far. In any case the engineers are returning tomorrow to make some adjustments including the hissing noise from the sound system and to adjust the contrast / colour.

Next, some preliminary announcements about the recommencement of Mass.

Next Sunday we intend to follow the normal Sunday pattern, but we need to practice appropriate distancing and limit the numbers. To help us be confident that the three normal masses will be sufficient it will help if you indicate, as soon as possible, which Mass you intend the be present at (if any – we understand that many will continue to manage their safety by staying at home and away from public gatherings for some time) by e-mail to parishpriest763@gmail.com and copied to gordonadam1962@btinternet.com. Make sure you tell us how many people will be in your household / family group.

One very important thing to tell you is that you MUST get to any Mass you want to attend in good time. Doors WILL BE CLOSED before Masses commence because late arrivals risk the management of good social distancing.

I would also like to here from those who are older, or more at risk, and who do not want to return to Mass just yet but who might like to receive Holy Communion at home after the three month Eucharistic Fast

More information will follow in the next day or two about how your safety will be protected at Mass. The Conference of Bishops have issued guidelines which we will be using, and it is not just a case of "back to normal".

Finally, advance notice that as we approach a "new normal" in Parish life, there will be some adjustments to e-mail / internet ministry. Today is day 100 since the last act of public worship and throughout that time Deacon Shaun has published his very full, very helpful, and very

much appreciated daily e-mails without fail. You might not realise that all through that time he has also carried on doing his almost full time paid job, albeit working from home, and has also been continuing his Allen Hall formation work in preparation for priesthood, including written assignments, also being done from home. He has been burning the candle at both ends and as we resume public worship, it is the right time to change gear with these e-mails. The daily readings for Mass will continue to be available via the Parish website, but Deacon Shaun's e-mails will change, at the end of this coming week, to twice a week (one for the weekend and one for the weekdays). There may be occasional extra ones for any significant days / events. I will continue to keep you broadly up to date with things once or twice a week.

Take care of yourselves and those you live with.

May Our Lady pray for you, and may God bless you.

Fr Gordon