

## Church Family Newsletter 11<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Church Family,

To let you know that we are planning on restarting simple services by August, whilst continuing our online service and hoping to establish our "new normal" services from September. This requires a huge amount of work to ensure we are "covid secure" so, please pray for the PCC as we work out the best ways to start services safely in our churches. It will inevitably mean a slightly different kind of services to what we are used to.

This week's online service continues our series on the sermon on the mount, looking at how we give as Christians. Giving, not so that we look good to others, but out of our heart response to God – *Living Faith*. Join us from 9:30am...

Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDtsdqyqX6S8yZZI5S-pK6Q>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/frantchurch>

**Zoom coffee after:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81398043025?pwd=WE1IWII1eW91VUIHVUxNVnhzT21iZz09>

Meeting ID: 813 9804 3025 Password: coffee

### **Financial Giving Update**

As our theme for this week is one of giving, we thought it important to update you on our financial situation as a church. As you know this is an incredibly difficult and challenging time for all churches. Our churches have faced enormous challenges, as our funds through The Stables income has stopped, plus income from youth activities stopped, we have not been able to have our collections on Sundays as well as a number of postponed weddings. I last let you know (28<sup>th</sup> April) that funds were down over £1,200 every month, and over the last months that has continued.

If you usually give in the collection, would you consider giving regularly through the parish giving scheme?

If you usually give regularly, would you consider a one-off gift?

To see our letter for full details on how you can give, please click on this link:

<https://frantchurch.org/Publisher/File.aspx?id=259005>

### **Pray for our new Bishops**

Our new Bishop to be, Will Hazelwood will be consecrated next Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at the Chapel of Lambeth Palace as Bishop of Lewes. Pray for him as he begins that new ministry, and that he would quickly get to know our various parishes and serve amongst us with all wisdom and encouragement.

At the same time the new Bishop of Horsham, Ruth Bushyager will also be consecrated, and we pray for her also as she begins this new important ministry also.

It has seemed a long time for the diocese without two bishops, at a time when ministry has been so difficult through covid. I pray they can bring a new energy and support for our ongoing gospel ministry to our diocese.

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Every blessing,

-Rev Brendan