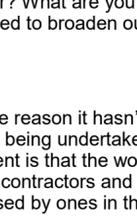


17TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

JULY 28TH 2019



Summer weeks are great in terms of giving us the opportunity to think about our parish life. What we will do when the days and nights are not so warm and bright. Collectively most of us have been around for quite long time and have a real sense of what works and what doesn't. Our events are important but represent only one strand of parish life. The extent to which we can respond to the need is another and for so many more, our worship on a Sunday is our only contact with the faith community. How can we build on what has been achieved so far? What are you going to contribute to the life of our parish as we are progressively encouraged to broaden our horizons and embrace the concept of partnership

Don't forgotten what I said about the tarmacking job at St Bernadette's. The reason it hasn't been completed is down to the time it is taking to complete the road works that are being undertaken around the church grounds. My understanding at the moment is that the works will not be completed due to difficulties being experienced by the contractors and the fact that the resolved our work cannot be done because the church driveway is used by ones in the area in the absence of an outside footpath. I'll keep you posted.



If you haven't yet paid for your seat on the coach for Whitby, could we ask you please to do so as soon as possible and this will enable us to tick another "Job done" box. We would also appreciate it if the bus money for the Kynren event could also be paid in the coming weeks the cost of which is £10 each. All of these events help us to see clearly what it means to need one another and be a living part of the Body of Christ.

Appeal For Volunteers This Summer St Mary's Cathedral will be hosting a club putting on games, activities, trips and most importantly food. All free of charge. This is to help tackle the issue of holiday hunger that so many families face as they struggle to provide the basics through the long summer holidays. We are urgently seeking for volunteers who are already cleared to work with children in the Diocese and help deliver this exciting project. The club shall run every Thursday from the 1st to August 29th. If you are free on any of those dates and would like to help please call Joe Kirwin on 07904881430 or email him on joekirwin@themericyproject.org.uk

It was good to see last weekend an increase in the number of items for the Food Bank. We can sometimes forget that ones struggling to provide food for their families often include the parents of children who would ordinarily be on free school meals which obviously does not apply during the summer. Let each of us do what we can to ease their burdens. PLEASE BRING ONE EXTRA ITEM.

