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## EMERGENCY NEWSLETTER No 35 for 24 JANUARY 2021

*Today is the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)*

### NO MASS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Please note that there will be no Mass until further notice. I have permission from Bishop Alan to suspend Mass for the time being, mainly because I am in the top risk group for self-isolating. For latest news, please see our website or newsletters (these are published and posted on the website each week on Friday evenings).

### OUR ANNUAL CALAIS APPEAL

Over the past few years parishioners have been extraordinarily generous in donation material goods and money to help the plight of refugees in Calais.

According to figures from Human Rights Observers (HRO), a non-profit organisation that monitors police evictions in northern France, there were 973 evictions in Calais in 2020 – nearly three a day, and more than double the 452 recorded in 2018. In December alone, 526 tents were seized and 41 arrests were made. The authorities are felling woods round Calais so there is no shelter, and distribution points for food and wood provided by the charities have been reduced. In cold and relentless wet weather the situation is dire.

You can read more details here: <https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2021/jan/13/like-torture-calais-police-accused-of-continued-migrant-rights-abuses>.

We cannot now have a second collection as there is no Mass. Please can you give generously online, or - if this is not possible - through Father Charles at the Presbytery. Please use the letterbox but do not ring then bell. Thank you.

<http://www.laubergedesmigrants.fr/en/donate-2/>

### 80th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION ZOOM

There is an online gathering for the parish to celebrate my 80th birthday on Friday 29 January at 11am. E-mail Shirley Kalinauckas ([skalinauckas@gmail.com](mailto:skalinauckas@gmail.com) or 01379 586884) for the link. Please note change of e-mail address.

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Now that Mass is again suspended, we are re-establishing two slots for prayer each week: They will be on **SUNDAYS from 10.30 – 11.00 am** and on **Thursdays from 12.00 -12.30 pm**. Please sit where indicated by the steward. Both sessions will take the form of Eucharistic adoration.

*God Bless you all – Father Charles*