

The Parish of Saint Mary, Brewood

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Staying in Touch at St Mary's, Brewood

One of the things we have been reminded of during the Covid-19 pandemic is how much our wellbeing relies on us staying in touch with each other; including those in our parish community. In 'normal' times we probably do this informally by attending church each week and taking part in the life of the parish but, because of ill health and for other reasons, we can sometimes feel more on our own.

St Mary's Brewood parish is therefore offering each parishioner the opportunity to be kept in touch with by someone from a team of parish volunteers; some of whom already offer support informally to friends and as parish Eucharistic ministers. Each member of the contact team is offering to keep in touch with a number of parishioners to make sure we are all OK and, from time to time, to offer help such as a call from Deacon Stephen or Fr Paul.

To take part, all parishioners are invited to send Fr Paul their name and telephone number; either by email at: stmarysrcbrewood@hotmail.com or by post to: Fr Paul Smith, St Mary's Presbytery, Wharf Lane, Brewood, ST19 9BG. These details will then be given to a member of the contact team and the note below on 'Data Protection Law' explains how we will keep this information safe.

Depending on what you would prefer, your contact team member could, say, give you a monthly phone call during the pandemic and then, as we hopefully get back to some kind of normality, keep in touch more occasionally and informally as we start to see each other more at Mass or elsewhere. Your conversations could be brief to make sure you are OK and you could be put you in touch with parish clergy if you wish.

If people found this initiative helpful; we could continue it as a long term parish ministry to keep us all in touch and to make sure we receive any pastoral care we need.

Please let Fr Paul know you have any questions about this initiative. Alternatively, just send him your name and telephone number and we'll be in touch as soon as we can.

Fr Paul Smith
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Data Protection Law

The information which you provide to be contacted is necessary in the legitimate interests of the Church. This because the Parish Priest needs to know who would like to be contacted by a parish volunteer and to have your address and phone number, so that contact can be made. The information which you provide will be kept securely and only the Parish Priest and parish staff/volunteers authorised by him will have access to it. The information provided by email or post will not be shared with any third parties other than as required by law.

The parish is committed to ensuring that information we hold about you and your family is properly held in accordance with the law. The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234216 and you can find out more from our Privacy Notice, which is available at:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/privacy-policy>