Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

June has arrived and we have extended our farewells and best wishes to Fr. Greg as he embarks on a new phase of his life. A retirement celebration will be held near the end of August to middle of September when restrictions allow larger public gatherings.

You may be wondering what is next as we enter a time of transition while we wait for a new incumbent. In the meantime Fr. Tony Hilling has been appointed as priest in charge over the next several months as we search for a new incumbent. Fr. Tony will be working with the other members of the All Saints clergy team (Rev. Faith Brace, Rev. Deacon Elizabeth Short and Fr Mathew Perreault). Please respect Fr Greg’s privacy and contact members of the clergy team, staff or Parish Council for matters pertaining to All Saints. Contact information for the clergy and staff is provided in the bi-weekly updates. Anyone who requires pastoral care should contact Fr. Tony at any time. For less urgent matters he will be available to take phone calls from anyone who feels the need to chat with a priest every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Clergy visitations at seniors’ residences in Cochrane will continue as Covid restrictions allow. The Blessed Sacrament will continue to be available for pick-up on Sunday Mornings between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. until June 13 when the time will change to 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. so that you can pick up the sacrament and return home to watch the recorded service at 10:00 a.m.

The Parish office will continue to function as it has been and office hours will be the same. Please continue to contact Sonya for any administrative needs. Until we reach Stage 3 of the Alberta reopening plan, she will be in the church office on Thursdays between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. and will be working from home outside of these hours.

We will be following a well-defined process set out by the Diocese of Calgary to search for and select a new incumbent. A search committee has been formed and has begun meeting. The committee will be working closely with the Archdeacon of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary who will be guiding this process. The HALO report from the Cardus Institute will be used as our parish profile for the search process. This is a socio-economic report providing details on All Saints and its impact on the community using several different metrics. The report provides demographic information on the parish and information on the various ministries that we provide as we strive to build the body of Christ in our parish and surrounding area. Regular updates on the search process will be provided. Please pray for the search committee and for discernment during this process.

The next few months will be a time of transition as we await a new incumbent. Rev. Deacon Elizabeth Short will be offering a workshop on handling transition. The timing and details will be provided in the weekly update.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact one of us.

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