



A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

A Christmas, perhaps like none other in living memory is exactly a month away as I write.

Normally I would be preparing cards, considering end of year gatherings and parish events. You yourself might like to try completing the same sentence “I would normally be”
But this is not a normal time.

Fortuitously we have reopened our churches in time for the Advent Season, a time of hope and promise. For many in our community it has been a long desert journey. Perhaps we will not need a Lent in 2021? Still there have been blessings and welcome surprises. People continue to come to, as well as leave our community. We all take stock now. Have I been changed? Can it be the same as it was? Am I ready to resume my life of faith with others? There will be many different answers and I sense a time to readjustment will be needed. To all, as we approach Christmas, a word of reassurance. Journeying together again will be surely better than our solitary trekking of the past nine months.

Fr Brian