Notes:

- Here is the schedule of programmes you can catch on the BBC this week: Sunday Morning Live BBC 1 10.30am Choral Evensong, Chichester Cathedral -Sunday 3.00pm BBC R 3 Choral Evensong, St. Alban's Church, Holborn, London - Wednesday 3.30pm BBC R 3 Sunday Worship- A Catholic Service from the Diocese of Leeds - Sunday 8.10am BBC Radio 4 Songs of Praise 'Eyam'- BBC 1 Sunday 1.15pm Prayer for the Day - BBC Radio 4 daily at 5.43am Daily Service - BBC Radio 4 LW daily 9.45am
- Following the announcement on Friday 10th July that the government were relaxing lockdown restrictions to allow public worship to resume in churches from Sunday 19th July, detailed guidance of the requirements to allow this to take place were published last Monday. There is a great deal to be discussed and put in place before we can take the step of recommencing public worship. The wardens and clergy are examining the way forward and further updates will be given as things progress.
- Holy Trinity Church is now open for private prayer on Tuesday from 10am to 1pm, Thursday from 1pm to4pm and on some Sundays from 3pm to 5pm (please contact the wardens to check). A maximum of six people (plus stewards) are allowed to be in church at any one time
- St Mary's Priory continues to open to allow private prayer at the following times: 10am-2pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. A one-way system is in operation and we are allowed to host up to six people at a time.

Please be aware that access to the church is restricted to the prayer area that has been created in the north aisle, and the rest of the church is taped off and out of bounds.

We are currently unable to offer visitors access to view the antiquities and historic tombs. Likewise, we are regrettably unable to accommodate church members who normally access cupboards, vestries and other areas. We are not permitted to open our toilets.

At the current time access is being allowed for those who wish to pray and spend time in quiet before God. We are immensely grateful for your help in respecting these guidelines which are allowing us to open.

- The Memorial Garden at St Mary's will be open at the same times as the church to allow people to tend and visit graves.
- Christchurch is now open for private prayer on Thursdays from 10am to 12 noon. Four people are allowed in church at any one time (plus stewards)
- We are grateful to all those who are enabling our churches to be open for private prayer by volunteering to act as stewards and for cleaning.
- We are continuing to Livestream services on the 'Abergavenny Anglican Churches Together' Facebook page. You do not need to have a Facebook account in order to tune in. Simply go to this address and the live-stream should appear at the top of the page when we turn it on 5 minutes before the service: <u>https://www.facebook.com/AberACT</u> Previous services are available under the 'videos' tab.

Services during the coming week will be:

Wednesday July 22nd – The Feast of St. Mary Magdalene – Choral Evensong at 5 pm Sunday July 19th – The Seventh Sunday after Trinity – Parish Mass at 10.30am

- Many thanks to those who are continuing to send their Church giving. If you deliver this to Fr Tom it may be appropriate to start to think about giving this directly to your church treasurer or wardens as Fr Tom and Paul prepare to move to Yorkshire next month.
- If you know that someone is unwell or that they are in need of a pastoral care please tell the clergy. Anyone requiring the services of a priest is welcome contact Fr Jeff Pearse on 07985241700 or <u>jeff.pearse@hotmail.co.uk</u>
- Fr Tom is on leave from 13th-24th July.