Our Lady and St Cuthbert reopening HELP!

In order to be able to open our churches for services and the celebration of Holy Mass we must first have in place a realistic, practical and effective process of stewarding and sanitised cleaning on each occasion that the church is open.

Stewards will be responsible for implementing, and enabling parishioners to put into action, the practices to be followed outside of church, for entry, all movement within, and exit from church in accordance with Government and Diocesan guidelines. There must always be at least two stewards present on every occasion, one of whom must have DBS clearance.

Cleaners will be responsible for the sanitised cleaning of all used areas [e.g. seating/walkways] and surfaces [e.g. doors/handles/votive candle stand.], again following Diocesan guidelines, with all cleaning materials provided.

The frequency with which the church will be open TOTALLY depends on having sufficient people able, and willing, to fulfil these roles and service for us all. Parishioners aged 16 -69 are invited to volunteer provided they are not in the clinically extremely vulnerable group. Those over 70 could be at a higher risk. Those people from this group who still wish to volunteer will be asked to confirm that they have read and understood the requirements. Anyone in the clinically extremely vulnerable group and have been advised to shield must not volunteer.

Once a list of volunteers is compiled, detailed, precise information and instructions for each role will be given to each person. Meanwhile, please read and digest the relevant sections of the "Handbook" and "Risk Assessment" documents for the re-opening of churches that are on our parish and diocesan websites.

If you are able and willing to help please respond as below <u>within these next two weeks</u>, giving your name, contact details [address/phone/email], stating steward, cleaner or both:

- phone Fr. Michael 01661 832298
- OR: email olscsecretary@outlook.com
- OR: complete and return the following details:

I am willing to serve as a volunteer: NAME:..... ADDRESS:..... PHONE NOS:..... EMAIL:....

Please tick the following: Steward...... Cleaner..... Cleaner/Steward...... I am in the over 70's.....

Please make this appeal known to anyone not using this IT and enable them also to respond. Many thanks for all your help as we prepare to reopen our beautiful Church. Fr. Michael.