

CONVERSATIONS

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1. Advent is here. Are you doing anything different from how you lived through November? It's a time for more prayer, for reflection, praise and giving thanks as we prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth and think about his second coming. Make an agreement with yourself and do something daily. You'll learn things and may even be surprised.
2. Following the harsh weather last weekend, does cold, loss of power or water make you a complaining misery or a resourceful person encouraging others? Do such hardships lead you to look out for or seek out individuals in special need?
3. You'll be anxious about the new strain of the virus. What measures and precautions are you taking to look after yourself? What do you see as your responsibility to contribute to public safety?
4. Can you manage without your mobile phone for a day, 2 days or more? Apart from making and receiving calls as you did from your landline, are you becoming addicted to all or some of the other functions of your mobile? Does it limit or help your communication? What about face to face conversation?
5. What do you think the parish is for? Do you honestly see it as providing services for you or does the character of the parish depend on what you're prepared to do rather than what others provide?
6. This Christmas will your shopping habits reflect care for the Earth or will your buying, wrapping and recycling do you credit? Think on it.
7. Have you ever thought of planting a tree – or more than one?

Thank you