



THE ARCHDIOCESE *of* BIRMINGHAM

Ethnic Chaplaincies

Newsletter: Sunday 1st November 2020

Dear All,

As usual I am sending you a copy of my Reflection/Homily for this weekend. Because so many people are discussing the Holy Father's interview "Francesco" where he speaks of Stable Unions (such as gays) having a right to legal protections, I have incorporated comments in my Reflection for All Saints. These are just my own thoughts having done some research into it; I hope you find them helpful.

I am also sending you a short Prayer Service for the Dead that you may find useful: I am going to use it at the end of my All Saints Day Livestream Mass. Here in my Deanery large numbers used to come for services in the cemeteries on Sundays in November, and this year it won't be happening.

I have had some nice comments on our online Intercultural Celebration marking "One World Week". Thank you again for your co-operation.

I am sorry we have not been able to plan a get-together in November because of the difficulties with gathering in the Pandemic. I am hoping I can take forward Zoom meetings with you on the topics I have been raising with you: Youth Work and Catechesis. Both are live issues for us in Catholic Ethnic Communities. Please let me know if you have any thoughts on these areas, and any initiatives you can share with others.

With prayers and all good wishes,

Mgr Daniel McHugh

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