

# The Community of the Sisters of the Church

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

We are finally open again! It has been a hard couple of months, not knowing whether to risk opening or not, but we made the decision that if we could get the volunteers we would open - but with restricted hours to keep in mind the government's recommendations on social distancing. So we are open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 10am until 12noon. We can only accept deliveries on those same days, but between 9am and 10am. Our first week back saw the number of customers at just under 100, we are sure more will come once the word has got round!

We are need of ambient food stocks, especially tinned items. As a reminder, these are the items we give out in our food parcels:

Tinned - meat, fish, macaroni cheese, soup, baked beans, fruit, custard, rice pudding, vegetables. Tea bags, long life milk, cereal, pasta, rice.

We are aware that collecting and delivering food to us is more complicated, so any donations are so very welcome, but please do ring us before coming. Cheques payable to "Sisters of the Church", BACS, sort code 08-92-99, account 65075960.

## Other news

We have installed a stair life to the storage area we use in the Malcolm X centre - the total cost of this came to around £10,000 - a lot, but this became an essential health and safety item, so we have used some of our funds to pay for this, along with specific donations that were given to us.

We also have a new member to our household, Reverend Alison Jones has moved in to live alongside us - she is a real blessing to us in so many ways.

Thank you for your ongoing support and prayers for the ministry that we offer from our home.

*Teresa Mary CSC*