APCM April 2024 Report - Fr Paul

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It seems like only yesterday we were here for our last APCM. A lot has happened since this time last year. We have lost some key people as they return to the UK, I think especially of Coral and Paul from El Campello. We have also seen some numerical growth across the Chaplaincy with new people joining our fellowship.

It has been a particularly difficult year for our Albir Worship Centre as we have had to move location from the Norwegian Lutheran church in Albir after a thirteen-year ecumenical relationship. We are still looking for a permanent home, so please keep our fellowship from Albir in your prayers.

This meeting is always an opportunity to thank everybody for their continued support of our Chaplaincy especially my brother clergy, our PTO's, and readers. We were delighted that Diana Pringle was admitted to the Order of Reader at our Archdeaconry Synod, she is a welcome addition to our Chaplaincy team.

Ministry is not just confined to priests and those in the Ordained ministry. Allthe baptised are called into the service of the Risen Lord. Our faith urges you and I to take a personal part in the work of evangelisation and in making our Chaplaincy grow. No matter what our gifts are, reading lessons, teaching, and engaging in the ministry of hospitality our task is to use our gifts in the service of Christ.

We are starting to think about a Confirmation service at some point later this year. Perhaps I might encourage any who have not been confirmed to consider contacting their Chaplain in order that we can start the process of Confirmation classes.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and may God continue to bless you.

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