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Friday 28th August 2020

Dear Parishioners

As you know Father Bill stepped aside from his ministry in the parish and universities because allegations were made of a historic nature against him and other Servite Fathers. The investigation by the police has been going on for some months and this has been a difficult time for Father Bill and yourselves. I am pleased to tell you that Father Bill will be returning to the parish as the allegations against him were proven to be unfounded and believed to be malicious.

Father Bill has the right for his good name to be restored and to return to his home without any blemish to his character. He will be returning shortly to take up again his ministry as Parish Priest of St Peter & St Paul. I am sure you will welcome him and give him the support he needs on his return. Please continue to keep Father Bill in your prayers.

With my best wishes

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Rt Rev Declan Lang Bishop of Clifton