COVID-19 Companions in Urgency 2020
The Church in Honduras is in dire need. Most clergy are paid from the diocesan budget whose payroll for the Bishop, staff and mission clergy is about $35,000 per month. All reserves are now gone. The Church, dependent on income from their schools, are all now closed and thus generating no income. Many of the clergy are bi-vocational and cannot work because businesses are closed. Many clergy and clergy families are in desperate need for financial assistance. Honduras’ Bishop Lloyd has requested assistance from the Presiding Bishop, the National Church program budget and Bishop Brewer and the Diocese of Central Florida. Food is rarely available. When it is available it is very expensive. With the schools closed, children are hungry. Businesses and schools are closed. Bishop Lloyd warns that without significant aid- people will die. Please help raise funds for relief for our companion Diocese of 35 years!

Donations of any amount can be made in these three ways:

- Text "DCF Honduras" to "73256" to donate via credit/debit card or bank account (Leave a space between "DCF" and "Honduras". Letters are not case sensitive.)
- 2. Online via credit/debit card or bank account - www.tinvurl.com/HondurasRelief
- 3. Send a check made payable to "Diocese of Central Florida" Memo Line: "Honduras Relief'

Mail to: Diocese of Central Florida, 1017 E. Robinson Street, Orlando, FL 32801

PPP FORGIVENESS
Below is a link to information prepared by the American Bankers Association (ABA) related to a new form that SBA has issued. This form is a shorter version for the forgiveness application if a borrower meets certain criteria. I hope you will find this information helpful.

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http://app.response.aba.com/e/es?s=1527&e=338345&elqTrackId=f1898f1fd73044ff87024479713a0a53&elq=0657ec3ec8c24d1ebf34944b6d7b664b&elqaid=23485&elgat=1
COVID-19 UPDATE- Fine tuning for PHASE TWO GUIDELINES

As you well know, the cases of the COVID-19 virus are dramatically increasing around Florida. Many communities are making masks or facial coverings mandatory when in public places. Now is not the time for us to relax our resolve or be careless about taking precautions! Please model the behavior that we are asking others to practice.

a) Wear masks or facial coverings  
b) Practice moderate social distancing 
c) Frequent use of handwashing and use of hand sanitizer 
d) Minimize exposure to large groups, especially in confined indoor spaces 
e) Be protective of those in at-risk populations, those who have ongoing medical concerns, the homebound

For the clergy, especially those who are conducting in-person worship

a) Wear gloves during the distribution of the communion host  
b) Do not place the host on anyone’s tongue, only in their hand 
c) Receive communion last (yes I know what the rubrics say, but this simple change communicates to the congregation that you are taking their safety seriously. When the priest receives communion first, you are exposing your gloved finger very close to your mouth and then administering to the congregation. The Bishop has even made this change at the staff communion on Thursdays and is okaying the practice during the pandemic.)

d) all Baptismal fonts and holy water stoups should be drained, because they provide a breeding ground for bacteria

Dear Friends,

A note from Fr. Jose Rodriguez

A second opportunity to apply for EIDL funds opened up today. Both Jesus de Nazaret and Christ the King were able to complete their application in minutes. What you need before you start the workflow:

- EIN number  
- 12 months income/expenses as of 1/31/2020  
- Date corporation was established  
- The applicant must be an corporate officer of the church and willing to provide their social. Remember to set corporate officer’s ownership interest to 0%.  
- Church bank account number and routing number.

Act fast! Last time the applications were closed quickly.

Have you completed your Hurricane Preparedness Plan?  
http://www.cfdioceose.org/disaster-plan/

Congratulations and prayers going out for

The Rev. Peter Tepper

who will be ordained to the Priesthood at the Cathedral Church of St. Luke in Orlando
Dear Colleagues,

We currently have several churches that are in the search process. We also have several clergy who will be retiring in the next 18 months as well as some congregations currently served by Priests in Charge that may be coming available. If you have colleagues in ministry that you know would be interested in coming to Central Florida and possibly may be interested in any of these congregations, please let me know! Perhaps you are an Assistant or Associate that may be considering becoming a Rector, need a change of scenery, or sense that the Lord is calling you to explore a different ministry setting, polish up that resume, update your OTM (I can help you with this!) or just give me a call so we can chat!

Thank you for your help finding suitable clergy for our congregations in search! Faithfully,


ECF Vital Practices is an amazing free resource that all Clergy and Vestry members should be signed up for. This monthly email brings you concrete, helpful information about many aspects of Vestry/Church life- for free sign up go to https://www.ecfvp.org/newsletters/view/72

A HUGE Central Florida welcome to
the Rev. Cynthia Brust,
Rector of Hope Episcopal Church, Viera (as of 7/1/2020)

and

the Rev. Canon Ellis Brust, Rector of St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Ft. Pierce (as of 7/1/2020)

The Brusts will be welcomed formally to the Diocese at the Thursday Eucharist in the Bishop’s Chapel on June 25, 2020. Due to social distancing guidelines there will be limited seating by reservation only. Your prayers are requested! Drop them a note of official welcome?

Here are their email addresses: cynthiabrust@gmail.com and ellisbrust@gmail.com

Any questions or comments about Canon News 2020? Contact Canon Scott Holcombe at sholcombe@cfdiocese.org or 321-525-2366

Canon Scott Holcombe will be out of the Diocesan Office attending a family reunion from June 22-29. Please hold your emergencies until June 30th if at all possible!
And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. 2 In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. 3 For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, 4 they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord’s people.

We who have been inconvenienced, quarantined, removed from our comfort zone, experienced shortages, and fought to keep anxiety and fear away... must now dig deep and help our Honduran brothers and sisters stay alive! Please help us send a sacrificial gift to the Diocese of Honduras in Jesus’ name!