



# New Ways of Engaging With Charity

The world has changed, more suddenly than it perhaps would normally but nevertheless it has changed. Looking to the future, in order to be best placed to serve those we need to, we must consider how we will adapt, how we will grow. There are many challenges but also lots of solutions. With God we can emerge from this wiser, stronger and better able to serve those in need.

## Ideas

- **It's time to quiz up:** Have you thought about running a quiz for all those in the local area? Zoom is great for facilitating these, the winner could get a Mini Vinnies badge.
- **Homemade facemasks:** Have you thought about making your own facemasks for those out there who perhaps might not have been able to get one? You could decorate them with comforting messages and send them by the post. Make sure you disinfect them after you're finished though.
- **Spreading the knowledge:** Have you thought about doing online tutorials? You could show people how to make your favourite craft, teach them your favourite prayer, show them how to dance or help them learn the words to your favourite song.
- **Lending a helping hand:** Is there anyone in your local area that could need your help with gardening? Does your school need help putting any Coronavirus measures in place? Look around, do you see anyone you could help?
- **Watch parties:** Have you considered inviting any local Mini Vinnies groups, parish priests, friends, families or teachers to watch your favourite film with you? Just set a time and a film, then sit back and enjoy together. Best thing is it can all be done virtually.
- **Tea parties:** We might not be able to have people in for cake and tea (or squash) but we could leave a cake or some biscuits outside their door along with a time and date. Then when the time and date come along you can all enjoy your cake and tea (or squash) together.
- **Spring clean:** Have you thought about digging through all your old clothes and belongings? If you find anything you no longer need then there's bound to be a local charity shop that could really use any donations. If you would like to donate to one of our stores that would be very welcome. The locations of all our stores can be found [here](#).
- **Spread the word:** Just talking about charity, about how you care for people in need can also help. You could also extend this to social media and try to further spread the word.

