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Wednesday and Thursday 12-2.

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We do hope this finds you well in these very difficult times and hope you are all keeping safe. Paignton Community Larder has been working harder than ever to help



people who find themselves without the funds to feed themselves and their families. Many thanks to the volunteers who have been able to carry on helping and best wishes to those who can't be with us at the moment but are all looking forward to returning when it is safe to do so. Our big news is that we have moved to St Andrews Church, Sands Road Paignton TQ4 6HA. Thanks to the gang from Dacol windows. Being in two places was becoming more and more difficult as we got busier. We would like to say many thanks to Christ Church for letting us use the Church for the last two and a half years. When life gets back to normal we will start running Snack and Natter again from St Andrews and we look forward to seeing new and old faces as we all miss our Monday mornings. Good news is that we now open to customers on a Monday 12-2 to collect food parcels. Since the middle of March we have tripled our food parcels being sent out and since lockdown we have sent out 463 food parcels which equates to 14,634 meals. This means we have to go out and buy lots of food, which was interesting when stocks were so low in the shops.

Very quickly people stepped in to help with monetary donation and many thanks to everyone who has donated.

Over 100,000 meals sent out since opening!

We don't see an end to this in the coming months and predict a rise in numbers of people having to use the foodbank for the first time.

Although we are keeping to very strict measures of social distancing, we are still managing



to make people feel welcome and comfortable when they arrive and signposting where possible. Recently Torbay food alliance was established which we are proud to be part of where many local like minded charities are sharing surplus food and supporting each other through these unprecedented times. You can find out more about this on the website

www.torbayfoodalliance.org



We still have many collection points open so if you are able to safely donate please help. We have a new one at Austins Newsagents Torbay Road. Also at Paignton Tesco's, all Paignton Co-Op's, Torquay Tesco's and Morrisons or please drop donations to us at St Andrews.