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ST. MARY'S LANGHO

EASTER SUNDAY

CHURCH " This isn't a contest but the doorway into thanks, and a silence in which another voice may speak."

A strange Easter when we hear the news that Christ is risen from the dead not in a church packed with our family and friends but in the silence of our own homes maybe with a few family members. But it gives space for that "other voice" to be heard. The voice of the Risen Lord who speaks to us in the silence of our own home "I am here with you. Do not be afraid." The true joy of Easter is knowing that the Lord is with us no matter where we are or what situation we are in. it is a very simple message of reassurance" I am with you and I will never leave you."

NEWSLETTER A weekly newsletter for both our churches will continue to be produced and posted on line. It can be viewed at stmaryschurchlangho.org . The Sunday sermon can be heard on the same website. It is posted under News - Archived homilies. Also the Stations of the Cross recorded by our young people and a reading of the Passion of Jesus recorded by "the young at heart."

MASS. I continue to offer Mass each morning in the presbytery. Church Services can be viewed on line. The link is www.ChurchServices.tvtimetable. You will find several local churches there amongst the many listed. (Good Shepherd Colne and St. Mary's Bamber Bridge.)

PRAYER BULLETIN BOARD We now have on online Prayer Board for you to leave your prayers like you did on the board in church. Go onto the parish website stmaryschurchlangho.org and click on "Prayer Bulletin Board."

POPE FRANCIS ON CONFESSION "I know that many of you go to confession before Easter ... many will say to me: 'But Father I cannot leave the house and I want to make my peace with the Lord. I want Him to embrace me How can I do that unless I find a priest?' Do what the catechism says. It is very clear. If you don't find a priest to go to confession, speak to God. He is your Father. Tell Him the truth: 'Lord, I did this and this and this. Pardon me.' Ask His forgiveness with all your heart with an act of contrition, and promise Him, 'afterward I will go to confession.' You will return to God's grace immediately. You yourself can draw near, as the catechism teaches us, to God's forgiveness, without having a priest at hand."

MASS INTENTIONS 50th Wedding Anniversary for Paul and Margaret Harrison, Jozef Derin, Jozef Derin from the KIT Group, Mark Rogan, Norma Collins.

STACIA DERIN would like to convey her warm thanks to the KIT Group for their sentiments expressed on the death of Josef.

CONGRATULATIONS to Paul and Margaret Harrison who are celebrating their Golden Wedding this weekend. We ask God to bless them and their family.

COLLECTIONS

SOME LOCAL SHOPS are beginning to home deliver. It might be worth while checking out your local supermarket, butcher etc to see if they are providing this service.

We pray for Father Peter Harvey, Jean Wilson, Joan Robson, Raymond Marsh, Kathleen Gooden, Nafees Bhatti, Rani Bhatti, James Murphy, Vanessa Capiello, Megan McDonnell, Sean Reilly, William King, Sharon Moran, Warren Astin, David Belshaw, Joe Kemp, Steve Moss, Mary Wiltshire, Mick McKeon, Heather Dost, Muriel Scholey, Ian Ward, Rachel Pilkington, Margaret Clague, Mary Curran, Sheila Aspin, Frank Kinney, Sarah Hybryk, Annette Thompson, Margaret Pannikar, Father Leo and all who are sick.

We pray for all who have left our world recently to journey home to God especially **Josef Derin**, **Jean Littler**, **Mark Rogan** and all who died recently.

We also remember David Wilson, Bill Haley, Maurice Ashcroft, Anne Cunliffe, Margaret Whipp, Fr. Joseph Burns, Rebecca Holt, Patricia Moran, Susan Theaker, James Hulton, Margaret Vivian, Susan Gorton, Michael McNulty, Fred Fry, Patricia Cartmell, Stan Foulds, George Smith and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.