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**SUNDAY
OF EASTER**

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ST. MARY, OSBALDESTON

SECOND SUNDAY

CHURCH With the appearance of Jesus to Thomas the apostles were now united. They had all been forgiven and reassured of Jesus's love for them. Their confidence was restored. They now had a future that would be successful not a past that would weigh them down with failure. They still had to spend time together before Jesus would send them out into the world. It was a time when they could draw strength from each other. This is our time of waiting. When it is over we will emerge into a world that will be different from the past. What that will be we do not quite know yet. But we need to draw strength from each other. We need to support and encourage each other. We are all lame dogs climbing over a fence. But if we help each other then we all get over the fence. No one gets left behind.

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.

MASS can be viewed on line . The link is <https://churchservices.tv/timetable/> Several local church are amongst the many which now stream Mass each day (Good Shepherd Colne & St. Mary's Bamber Bridge.). Mgr Corcoran continues to offer Mass each day here in St. Mary's as I do in Langho. So you are remembered each day.

PRAYER BULLETIN BOARD We now have an online Prayer Board for you to leave your prayers. Go onto the parish website stmaryschurchlangho.org and click on "Prayer Bulletin Board." there you can leave your prayer requests.

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.

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."

CONDOLENCES to the family of the late Maureen Ramsden, May she rest in peace.

To the family of the late George Quirke well remembered for his work as headteacher of St. Bede's High School, Blackburn. May he rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS George Quirke.

COLLECTIONS Please keep your envelopes until you can next come to church. Thank you to those who have made standing orders.

We pray for **Danny Barlow, Jane Mary Taylor, Arthur Bibby, Gwen Rawstron, Margaret Kobell, Joanne Newsham, Julie Heyes, Lisa Mellody, Father Peter Harvey, Rachel Pilkington, Teresa Lovick, Brian Fisher, Sarah Hybryk, Annette Thompson, Margaret Pannikar, Father Leo, George Hutchinson** and all who are sick

We pray for those who have left our world to journey home to God especially **Maureen Ramsden, George Quirke.** and all who died recently.

We pray for **Robert Dagers, Michael Derin, Mary Harrison, William McMyler, Robert Ball, Sheila Marsden, Fred Whalley, Maureen Rollins, Tom Smith, Terry Murphy, Leo Conway, Margharita Winterbottom, Jack Robinson, Jack Conboy, Father Charles Hope.**and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.