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**SUNDAY
 EASTER**

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ST. MARY, OSBALDESTON

THIRD SUNDAY OF

CHURCH “We had hoped..” You can sense the disappointment in the voice of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. All their dreams ended. All their hopes dashed with the death of Jesus. Now the time to walk away and start a new future. A future without Jesus. At the moment many of our own hopes and dreams have been dashed. We still don't know what the future will be. Jesus brought their hopes back to life. He restored their confidence. We are not yet at the point where we can see the future with certainty. We are still living with hope. But let us keep alive that hope. Let us support each other until the day when we can stand again on our own two feet.

NEWSLETTER A weekly newsletter for both our churches will continue to be produced and posted on line. It can be viewed at stmaryschurchlango.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 stmaryschurchlango.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 Sean and Kath Kinney on the death of Sean's father Frank. May he rest in peace.

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

Graveyard £100 in memory of the Martin and Dickinson families. Thanks.

I received good news on Thursday at the Royal Preston. The cancer has been removed. I do not need chemotherapy. They will keep an eye on me in the coming months. Thanks be to God and thanks be to you for your prayers and support. Alleluia

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, George Hutchinson** and all who are sick

We pray for **Frank Kinney** and all who died recently.

We pray for **Frank Corban, Edward Baron, Paddy Needham, John Pope, Jane Henderson, Moyra Higginson, Monique Warden, Ellen Hull, John Sharples, Jennie Langthorne, Tony Lodge, Joseph Mills, Frank Blahuta, John Woolworth, Father John Dugdale** and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.