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ST. MARY'S LANGHO

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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. For them it was 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 stmaryschurchlangho.org . The Sunday sermon can be heard on the same website. It is posted under News - Archived homilies

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 Jack Conboy, Michael Taylor, Frank Corbin, Mary Condon, Josef Deren, In thanksgiving for an 80th birthday, Kieran Keigher, Leisa Livesey,

CONDOLENCES to Sean and Kath Kinney on the death of Sean's father Frank. May he rest in peace. **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.

HAPPY 80th Birthday to Tony Filbin who celebrated in "lockdown". Many more happy years Tony. 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 Father Peter Harvey, 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, Sarah Hybryk, Annette Thompson, Margaret Pannikar and all who are sick.

We pray for all who have left our world recently to journey home to God especially Michael Taylor, Mary Condon, Frank Kinney, Leisa Livesey and all who died recently.

We pray for Frank Corbin, Jack Conboy, Edward Baron, Alfie Evans, John Pope, John Flynn, Fr. John Dugdale, Marjorie Pate, Eileen Ridsdale, Florence Ainsworth, Terry Murphy, Maureen Tormey, John Jennings, Stephen Peterson, Raymond Fish, Kieran Keigher and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.