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**SUNDAY**

**5th APRIL 2020**

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**MARY, OSBALDESTON**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**CHURCH** It will a very strange Holy Week as we follow the journey of Jesus from the triumphal entry into Jerusalem through the Last Supper to Calvary and then onto the Resurrection. We do not have the aids we are used to : we cannot gather as we did. But we can still follow Jesus. We can join Him in spirit during this week. That journey always ends up in the Resurrection. We know victory will eventually come as certain as the dawn. Do not loose heart. Keep the flame of faith alive in your heart. Keep that eye open for those who are self isolating and might need your help. If you are self isolating then thank and encourage those who are helping 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](http://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.)

**PRAYER BULLETIN BOARD** We now have on online Prayer Board for you to leave your prayers. Go onto the parish website [stmaryschurchlangho.org](http://stmaryschurchlangho.org) and click on "Prayer Bulletin Board." there you can leave your prayer requests.

**PALMS** will be kept safe and be available when church reopens. WHY NOT tape last years palm or a green branch to your front door or window to mark Palm Sunday. Might be a project for the children to do.

**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."

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

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

We pray for **Anthony Gillies, 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 **Josef Derin, John Peat, Jean Littler**

We also pray for **Robert Dagers, Michael Derin, Mary Harrison, David Wilson, Gwen Keane, Gerard Young, Anthony Gallagher, Edward Popham, Francis Joseph Noblett, William Edward Martin, Mildred McComiskey, Lizzie Hardicker, James Taylor, James Craven, Mary McCreavy, Vince Sanoval, Arthur Pearson** and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.