

# **SACRED HEART & ST ANNE'S NEWSLETTER**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**LIVE STREAMING OF SUNDAY & DAILY MASS : Numerous parishioners are already taking advantage of the opportunity to stay in touch with the liturgical celebrations via the internet. There are several links available, including one offered by the diocese : [dioceseofsalford.org.uk/covid-19-online-resouces/](http://dioceseofsalford.org.uk/covid-19-online-resouces/)**

**Other options are : <https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online> OR via Heaven's Road Catholic Radio.**

**There is an extensive list of churches offering the live-streaming of Mass together with other devotions including the rosary and Stations of the Cross almost every hour of the day from early morning to mid-evening. It is an uplifting experience and a real opportunity to feel part of the Eucharist celebration. The churches listed are not only ones from our diocese but from across the country and from Ireland. Local churches offering the facility include St Mary's, Brownedge from our deanery and St Gregory's, Chorley.**

**AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (ideal for use with a live-streamed Mass)**

***My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.***

**OBITUARIES : Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Colin Ball, Norma Collins and Louise Stanley who have died recently. We offer our sympathy to the bereaved families at this very sad time with the assurance of our prayers. May the departed, for whom**

**requiem mass sadly cannot be offered at the present time, now rest in the peace of the risen Lord.**

**ANNIVERSARIES :** Please remember in your prayers all whose anniversaries occur about this time including : Jane Bamber, Fred Brown, Anna Potts, Bill Anderson, Kitty West, Peter Walsh, Charles Dolan, Mildred Birtwistle, Frances Martin, Mary Harrison (2019), Thomas Murphy, Mary Brady, Richard Barnes. May they rest in peace.

**'LIVING FAITH' :** Copies of the latest edition of this handy little book of daily reflections covering the three months April-June are now available. As the church is closed, you may wish to have a copy posted to you or collect one from the parish distributor (please 'phone 580443 to arrange).

**CAFOD** received another £25 last weekend, £20 of which was gift-aided, making in total an extra £30 for the Family-Fast collection. Thank you.

**FOODBANK UPDATE :** A quote from a foodbank worker : 'The families we serve simply cannot afford to panic-buy and hoard food. They are already knocking on our door in search of basic supplies.'

While supplies in some instances may be difficult to get hold of, and the church is closed, we can always make cash donations to the Trussell Trust online at :

<https://wonderful.org/appeal/coid19responseappeal-f07874ad>.

**Our local foodbank is well-prepared for the current crisis and is buying in goods from wholesalers. You can make a one-off gift by cheque payable to : 'Blackburn Foodbank' and send it to : Blackburn Foodbank, Oakenhurst Road, Blackburn BB2 1SN. Please be as generous as you can and thank you for your kind donations so far this Lent.**