

Hello- I hope I find you all well.

We did need rain in the North of England but I think we've had more than our fair share over the past week. Great for gardens and plants growing in pots but also for weeds. Keeps me busy.

The coming Sunday is Trinity 2 and the Gospel is taken from Luke 14 16f -the parable of the Great Banquet. One thing that possibly united the people making their excuses not to attend was that they failed to see what an honour and privilege their invitations brought. We too as Christians are invited to a great Supper here on earth and this lasting Supper continues to be offered today for us to share. In these unprecedented times clergy have been prevented from publically celebrating Mass and distributing Holy Communion-something that has not happened before and it feels very strange, but we must do what we must do to bring this dreadful situation to a conclusion.

I hope you find time to read the Gospel sometime during the week and to make an act of Spiritual Communion, and with this in mind I give you the Prayer of S. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

My Jesus,

I believe that you are 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 if you were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Let us ask for God's blessing on each and every one of us and upon those we love.

We bring all our prayers and petitions to the feet of Our Lord as we say the Lord's Prayer.

I hope we can share the Angelus together at 12 noon.

V. The Angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary,

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit

Hail Mary

V. Behold the handmaiden of the Lord,

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word

Hail Mary

V. And the word was made flesh,

R. And dwelt amongst us

Hail Mary

V. Pray for us O holy Mother Of God,
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us Pray

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen

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