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Staying Connected while Physically Distant

Wednesday 8 April 2020

Greetings in Jesus Christ

Dear parishioners, I hope you are all doing well, and safe at home. Indeed, I am very happy that you are all asking about me and my family. Thanks a lot for your concerns and prayerful support. I am very happy here and in good health. My parents and my brother with his family are all well in India. I have been contacting with them on my mobile phone and they are doing well. MSC Indian union members are well and praying for all of us. Once again thanks a lot and be safe at home. We are praying for all of you during our holy mass every day. With God's blessings. Michael MSC

We shared the KIT snippet about the Chinese calligraphy with a young

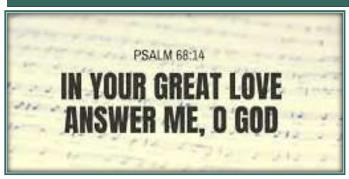




friend who comes from Wuhan.

She came to Canberra five years ago as an international student and lived next door for the next four years. We shared in her journey with chats over the fence, in the driveway and over cups of tea. She has adopted us as her Australian family and now delights in calling us her 'Aunties' as we graciously declined the title of grandmother. Her parents, who work in different parts of China's Hubei Province, have been separated from each other since the 31st December. Sadly, last week, our friend learned that her aunt had died from the virus. She was 31 years old.

In this time of crisis, as we focus on the health and welfare of those we love, please remember the many anxious and worried young people separated from family and loved ones by the tyranny of distance. Maryanne & Margaret Ferguson Today's Gospel Matt 26: 14-25



Isolation Easter

I have in readiness for an "Isolation Easter" — to remember the faces of St. John's Parishioners.

I had loved seeing faces at Easter of those who go to other Masses. I shall remember many. As I played the organ/piano, I will see the faces of singers singing hymns we love -faces of joy at weddings and faces of heartbreak at funerals.

On Holy Thursday, I will see the faces of many "washing feet" in our Parish without wanting recognition.

On Good Friday, I will see the faces of my little Year 3 children drawing brown hills at sunset, three crosses with shadows. At the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday I will see the faces of my beloved family, the MSC priests that were and with me now and my treasured friends over many years at St. John's. I will rejoice for "He is Risen". Pauline Greig

Bryan Cowman – Condolences

As the SJA community will be unable to give thanks for Bryan's life in a funeral liturgy, a parishioner has suggested that we set up a book for SJA parishioners to leave their messages of condolences. If you would like to email your messages to us we will pass them on to Bryan's family. Thank you.