St James The Great Catholic Church,
Peckham Rye.
Fr. Jack 07909 140867
8th to 14th June 2020

Dear Friends,

A Catholic doctor in Bangladesh who battled successfully against deadly Covid-19 has credited his strong faith in God and unwavering hope for his recovery.

"Hope is a gift from the Holy Spirit and I always hanged on to hope. At a time of any massive crisis, we must have complete faith and hope in God so that we can overcome it," Dr. Edward Pallab Rozario told UCA News.
Rozario, 47, head of health programs at Catholic charity Caritas Bangladesh and a former secretary of the Catholic Bishops' Healthcare Commission, caught the virus in late April.

ZOOM meeting on Tuesday 9th June. Click in about 7.25pm https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85399456019

Don't just watch UK news only. You very quickly become isolated and forget there is a big world out there in need of our prayers. With God as Daddy we should never forget we are FAMILY. While COVID-19 and the American disaster may unite us in a common bond, we need to be much more clearly united under the leadership of Jesus who loved us so much that He died for every single man, woman and child ever born. Who are we to think any less of any one?

Let us stand as a generation that loves each other.

July 4th has been a suggested day to going back to church. Got no details yet, but watch this space. Still need a few more volunteers/Marshalls for when it does happen. Don't be shy.

Love and prayers, Fr Jack.

THE TRINITY.

Today I am reminded of the Israelite worshipping the golden calf many moons ago. Were they worshipping a false god? I don't believe so. Moses had left them and they felt abandoned, isolated and they wanted to make god visible so they created an image. They felt they could contain God. They could understand him? "How silly, "I hear you say.

If I tried to explain the Trinity today, I would be guilty of the same mistake. Trying to wrap God within the confines of my little mind.

God cannot be contained. The Buddhists say, if you find the Buddha kill him.

As I said last week, we have got to hold the mystery without understanding it. Last December my front garden looked sad and lonesome. But look at it today, while I slept and while I passed by God had a whole world going on under the soil with his army of insects, slugs, worms and bees, the birds and the sun and the rain.

I think of my own potential, while I sleep and while I rise God is working on me and keeping me going. I don't even feel it but thank God I am healthy.

Mentally I am also happy because God has invited me into this divine relationship of father, Son and Holy Spirit. And where two or three are gathered, Jack is there. My heart beats with the divine heart beat and divine blood flows in my veins.

Trinity is about friendship and relationships. God is not a loner.

Rejoice in the friendships you have. People, who invigorate, empower and uplift you. They are a joy to be with and it is in relationships we develop, grow and blossom. They show us the face of the Trinity, they enthuse and excite us. Do You?