

## St James News: Thought for the day – Wednesday 1st July 2020

### Faith and Love – Revd John Ohen

In the midst of every personal tragedy, we sometimes cry out “where is God for example in this Covid-19 Pandemic” or in any other personal life storm? We turn to scripture and the wisdom of faith to find an explanation. In many cases when people of deep faith cry out from their heart, “where is God”. We seem to forget from the beginning God has lovingly asked “where are you? Genesis 3: 9. We must remember that “nothing in life is to be feared – only understand”.

St John the evangelist proclaimed that Love casts out fear – St John actually also said that it is “perfect Love” that drives out fear as in (1 John 4: 18).

This perfect love is the supreme example of life lived in love was revealed in Jesus Christ; God who became man. This is the central revelation of Faith, that God became man, and took upon himself our human nature. Jesus is the supreme sign of love that God pours out on the mystery of evil and the problem of pain. We must remember that God is here with us even until the end of time. Matthew 28:20.

#### **Prayer:**

Heavenly Father may I know through your grace that my sins are forgiven and help me to forgive others with your love, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. AMEN.

**Hymn:** [Love Divine All Love Excelling](#)