



Diocese of Kamloops
BISHOP'S OFFICE

Easter Monday - April 22, 2019

Mourning the tragedy of our brothers and sisters in Sri Lanka:

Dear People of the Kamloops Diocese,

While we were celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday, April 21, several Catholic communities in Sri Lanka were attacked. Hundreds of our innocent brothers and sisters were brutally killed and injured.

This act of unspeakable violence during Sunday worship is terrible and a great concern to the Christian Community and society as a whole. At this difficult time of both mourning and distress, our hearts and prayers go to our brothers and sisters in Sri Lanka.

May our sorrowful Mother, who stood at the cross of her Son, comfort those who have lost their loved ones and those who have been injured. May our Risen Christ extinguish the fire of hate and division in our world.

Yours Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Joseph Phuong Nguyen', is written over a small blue cross.

✠ Joseph Phuong Nguyen
Bishop of Kamloops