



# Peace Be With You

**Easter 2026**

At Easter, we hear a simple message that feels especially important this year: *peace be with you.*

In many parts of our world right now, there is uncertainty, conflict, and fear. Many people are watching events unfold with a sense of anxiety about what comes next. Closer to home too, amongst the peoples of Oceania, there are communities carrying pain and longing for stability and dignity.

Easter speaks quietly but clearly into all of this.

The Good News of the risen Jesus begins not with triumph or grand speeches, but with a gentle greeting of peace offered to people who were worried and unsure. It is a reminder that peace is not just an idea from the past — it is something real, something we still need, and something we can share.

Whatever our background or beliefs, most of us recognise the deep human desire for peace — in our hearts, in our relationships, and in our world.

This Easter invites us to hold onto hope. Even in difficult times, new life and new possibilities can emerge. Mercy and hope can disarm rage.

Small gestures of kindness, patience, and understanding matter more than we sometimes realise. They are the quiet ways peace begins to grow.

Perhaps the message of Easter, for all of us, is this: *receive peace where you can, and pass it on.*

May the peace of the risen Christ fill your hearts this Easter.

May it bring a sense of calm, renewed hope, a shared mission, and a quiet confidence that peace in our time is possible — and that each of us can help make it real.

**Archbishop Anthony Randazzo**