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The Resurrection of the Lord

12th April 2020, Year A

Eternal Love:

Being Personified on the day of Resurrection

Today the world is locked down and living in an unpredictable situation. We don't know where we stand at this point of time. There are struggles and uncertainty all around the world. The restrictions and safety measures are announced daily. Human wisdom fails to grasp the intensity of the pandemic. There are a number of scientists and medical professionals working day in, day out to curb the life threatening situation with their commitment and making sacrifices to attend to the need of the hour. A very nice phrase I read this morning "The world is closed for renovation, Grand reopening soon".

In spite of all these restrictions and uncertainties of our day to day life, there is a hope of new beginning and there is a scope for reopening or renewal of new life. God makes everything beautiful in His time not our time.

The Alpha and the Omega are the First and the last letters of the Greek Alphabet the language commonly used for worship. By drawing them together with the year's number in which we live, on the Paschal candle, we show that Christ is the Lord of all things the Lord of time, and above all, the Lord of all man, from the beginning of the world to its end.

Every Easter is a reminder that He is Lord of heaven and earth. He is beyond time and space and it is the affirmation of the immortal Love of the Father for His only-begotten Son, as well as the affirmation of Jesus as our sacrificial lamb, our Saviour, our God, our Redeemer. He laid down His life as our sacrificial lamb to pay for our sins. When He rose from the dead three days later, He gave victory over eternal separation from God (death) to all who put their faith and trust in Him. That is the new covenant — everlasting life spent with God through faith. The Resurrection of Jesus is our Heavenly Father saying YES to the love of Jesus on the Cross, a love that counts not the cost, a love that is all embracing, a love that seeks ways and means to forgive.

Easter becomes a reality in our own lives when people are healed, consoled and strengthened by the life-giving love we show to each other, and especially to those in need. Easter is real when we become living signs and symbols of the presence of the risen Christ in our world, and of the values which He taught during his life on earth. Christian behaviour springs from communion with the risen Jesus, just as Christian celebration is a life led in conformity with the person of Jesus Christ.

May this great feast help us to experience peace, to discover hope and to find joy.

The Lord is truly Risen!

Alleluia!

We are truly an Easter people.

A Happy Easter! From Fr Timothy, Fr Lourduswary & Parish Staff.

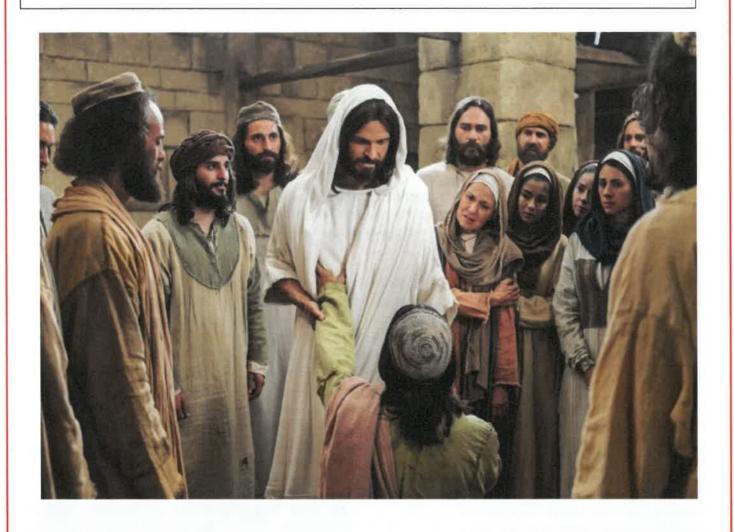








Have a Joyous Easter



He is among us

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