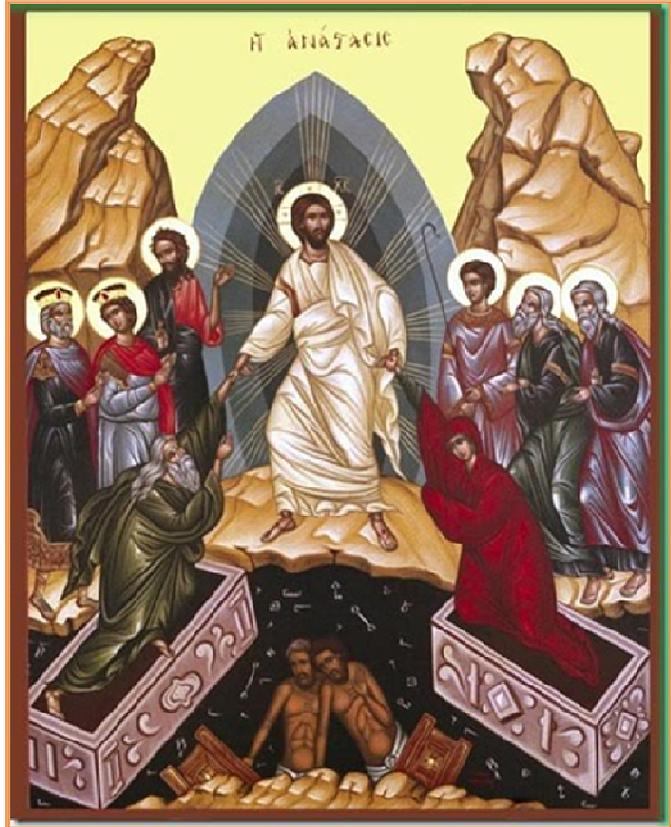


"He is not here; He has risen, just as He said" (Matthew 28:6)

We are celebrating the central event in history: Jesus Christ is risen! This has sealed the new alliance between God and humanity. Jesus surrendered all to give us new life in abundance. His victory is the triumph of life! The celebration of the Passover gives us courage to believe in the power of life over death. At all times and in all circumstances Jesus is the Lord of Life! Announcing this life, according to the Gospel is the great project of all, starting with those with whom we share with each day in our communities and ministries.



In the midst of our world experiencing so many tragic events, hear the joyful Gospel Proclamation: Christ who was delivered up to the death in solidarity with all of us has risen! This is an immense gift to all humankind. It is in the death of Jesus, and in our death that something new is possible - resurrection and new life.

We need to begin to live in this presence in a different way: with deeper faith, accompanied with hope, a sincere love of God in committed solidarity with our sisters and brothers, especially those living in extreme poverty and hunger for compassion and love. We are urged to fully commit to changing unjust structures which prevent many of our sisters and brothers from enjoying a dignified life.

The feast of Easter is not only a feast of Christ; it is the feast of all of us filled with Jesus' Resurrected life transforming us both personally and collectively. This Easter urges us to make the new life of Jesus Christ authentic by being "disciples and missionaries so that all may have abundance of life".

BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER!!!

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