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Dear Parishioners & friends,

How can I possibly celebrate Easter when most of our parishioners cannot be present? How can we celebrate when our hearts are wrenched by the suicide bombings in churches, unrest and murder in Myanmar, war in Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, and Yemen just to name a few? The stories of corruption and racism even in our country seem endless.

Despite all this I hear the voice Mary who whispers to everyone... "Jesus Christ is risen today." This gives me hope and joy. "The great gift of Easter is hope." "No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn." "Easter is meant to be a symbol of hope, renewal, and new life." "For I remember it is Easter Morn and life and love and peace are all new born." We love to look for consolation and quotations from others in what they have to say at a time like this.

But let us go back to the first Easter with the heart of Mary because the very first Easter taught us this: that life never ends and love never dies.

Never forget this! We are people of faith and hope. And God will find a way of removing the big stone that prevents us from seeing the Resurrection. Jesus will once again replace the "stones" in our hands so that all we throw and give is love and forgiveness.

Let us remember that we must become bread and wine: food for the hungry, life for the weary. This is part of the whole paschal mystery. Everything will have a great meaning that if we live with the Lord, we must die with the Lord.

On behalf of my Assistant Fr. Lai and the rest my community, I wish you all hope and peace in the Risen Lord! May we be signs of the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord!

(Rev.Fr. Patrick Massang,CSSR)

Happy Easter!



(food for thought) (Bulletin 4 April, 2021)

Gospel: John 20: 1-9.

"Some thoughts about Holy Week"

We all need the experience of Passion Sunday, Holy Week, The Triduum and Easter to renew our faith and our hope, to reassure us that the love and power of our Father will not allow evil, sin and death to destroy us.

We must not give in to despair; we cannot give up. The Risen Christ is our hope, and the guarantee of our ultimate victory.

And finally we will come to be with Him at the Easter Vigil or on Easter Sunday, see again the mystery of the Resurrection with the eyes of faith, and rise ourselves with Him to new holiness of life and love, as we proclaim: "Alleluia! Jesus Christ Is Lord!"

