

A RESURRECTION TO REMEMBER

Jesus, the premier educator, gave us the roadmap for how to deal with Covid 19. Think about it. If you ever said that you really didn't get "THE RESURRECTION" surely you won't be able to say it after Easter 2020. This year we are getting a theology lesson. First we suffer. Then we die. Then we come back. It may not all be physical, but we will experience just what those three things are as we "shelter in place" or "stay at home". Instead of saying this is a horrible experience let us find ways to make it an "Easter experience".

As luck would have it, my wife and I were about to embark on a trip to California that was to begin with a visit with my brother in Annapolis Maryland. That is where it also ended. Thank God we get along! Disappointment and fear left us with a view of the Chesapeake Bay. We won't be coloring eggs and hugging grandkids, but rather than being sad I want to think about how great it will be to see them again after this is over.

This year the Triduum will be celebrated privately. Rather than being sad I will focus on remembering the great lady, and friend, in Bath who was the lector for so many years. She faithfully read for many of those services and always made sure everything was ready for the Resurrection. Covid 19 took her last week, but Jesus will have her celebrating with him this year. She must be thrilled!

This year I will celebrate with family from California, Texas, Maryland, Massachusetts and New York. Our dear friend in Chicago who is a Carmelite priest will share the Easter celebration via WEBEX. We will pray and be grateful for our lives, our family, our friends and the internet.

This year I believe we are getting a Resurrection lesson that Jesus has been trying to teach for 2000+ years. This year he is grabbing each of us and saying..NOW DO YOU UNDERSTAND?

On Easter Sunday, please know that I will keep all of you in my prayers. I look forward, with hope and faith, to that time when we can all come together to celebrate the Eucharist together. What a joyful Mass that will be!!! Until then, please know that you are loved and deeply missed!!

Take care, be safe and stay healthy!

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