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CHRIST IS RISEN!

Surrexit Dominus vere, Alleluia, Alleluia!

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun. And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre? And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he said unto them, Be not afraid: You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: HE IS RISEN; HE IS NOT HERE: BEHOLD THE PLACE WHERE THEY LAID HIM. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goes before you into Galilee: there shall you see him, as he said unto you. And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid.

Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils. And she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept. And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not. After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country. And they went and told it unto the others: neither believed they them. Afterward he appeared to the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and on this wise showed he himself. There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the sons of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples. Simon Peter said unto them, I'm going fishing. They said unto him, We also go with you. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing. But when the morning was come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus. Then Jesus said unto them, Children, have you any meat? They answered him, No. And he said unto them, Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and you shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.

Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his fisher's coat, (for he was naked,) and did cast himself into the sea. And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land) dragging the net with fishes. As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread. Jesus said unto them, Bring of the fish which you have now caught. Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, and hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet the net did not break. Jesus said unto them, Come and dine. And none of the disciples dared ask him, Who are you? knowing that it was the Lord. Jesus then came, and took bread, and gave it to them, and fish likewise. This is now the third time that Jesus showed himself to his disciples, after he was risen from the dead.

Then he opened their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things. *From Mark.16, John 21, Luke 24.*

Easter and the Modern WorldBy Bob Waldrop

You just can't keep a good man down. I am sure that when that Roman soldier thrust his lance into Jesus' side, and then when his body was taken down from the Cross and laid in the arms of his most Blessed Mother, and then when his body was wrapped up and placed in a tomb, and then when soldiers were posted as guards to make sure no one could steal the body, most people thought that "that was that" for one obscure and troublesome red-necked rabbi from the provinces. But the story doesn't end there.

It's easy to get into a "that was that" attitude about

justice and peace, especially when there is so much injustice, when power becomes arrogant and oppressive. We're stuck in a swamp, and the alligators are stacking up about waist high. *Continued on next page*.

To Achieve Your Dreams, Remember Your Abc's . . Avoid negative sources, people, places, things and habits. . . Believe in yourself. . . Consider things from every angle. . . Don't give up, and don't give in. . . Enjoy life today. . . Family and friends are hidden treasures. . . Give more than you planned to give. . . Hang on to your dreams.

. . To be continued next month.

Wisdom of Romero

Oscar Romero was the Archbishop of San Salvador in Central America. In 1980, his own government assassinated him because he defended the poor against those who attacked and killed them when they stood up for their rights.

A religion of Sunday Mass but of unjust weeks does not please the Lord. A religion of much praying but with hypocrisy in the heart is not Christian. A church that sets itself up only to be well off, to have a lot of money and comfort, but that forgets to protest injustices, would not be the true church of our divine Redeemer.

Even when all despaired at the hour when Christ was dying on the cross, Mary, serene, awaited the hour of the resurrection. Mary is the symbol of the people who suffer oppression and injustice. Theirs is the calm suffering that awaits the resurrection. It is Christian suffering, the suffering of the church, which does not accept the present injustices but awaits without rancor the moment when the Risen One will return to give us the redemption we await.

This is why the church has great conflicts: it accuses of sin. It says to the rich: do not sin by misusing your money. It says to the powerful: Do not misuse your political influence. Do not misuse your weaponry. Do not misuse your power. Don't you see that is a sin? It says to sinful torturers: Do not torture. You are sinning. You are doing wrong. You are establishing the reign of hell on earth.

Works of Justice and Peace

A statement of the mission and purpose of the Oscar Romero Catholic Worker House

- **+LIVE** simply and justly in solidarity with the poor and marginalized and be a good neighbor. Make no war on them, rather, be one with them in spirit, truth, and love.
- **+HEAR** the truth when it is spoken to you. Discern the signs of the times and speak truth -- to power, to the people, and to the Church.
- **+MAKE** injustice visible -- witness, remember, teach, proclaim, tell. Light candles, do not curse the darkness.
- **+PROTECT** the poor and powerless-- listen, learn, educate, organize, empower participation, and respect life from the moment of conception to the time of natural death.
- **+WORK** for reconciliation with truth, evangelism, catechesis, orthopraxis.
- **+CELEBRATE** life, goodness, beauty, virtue, responsibility, and joy. Practice peace, non-violence, servant leadership, harmony, community, voluntary cooperation, and the proper stewardship of God's creation. Pray without ceasing.
- **+ ENSURE** fair distribution, subsidiarity, economic opportunity, justice, and food security for everyone everywhere. RMW 1998

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The next food delivery is May 15.
The next delivery to Wesley Village,
Towers, Bell Air apartments will be
May 22.

Do not be conquered by evil, overcome evil with good. *Apostle Paul*

Eight Ways to Fix Easy Very Tasty Potatoes

Parsleyed. Mix chopped boiled potatoes with some melted butter and 1/4 cup minced parsley.

Broiled. Cut cooked potatoes lengthwise in slices about 1/4 inch thick. Drizzle with melted butter or oil, sprinkle with salt, pepper, and herbs (rosemary is really good). Broil until golden brown on both sides.

Bried. Arrange thin strips of raw potato in single layer in shallow baking pan. Drizzle with oil. Bake in 400 degree oven 30 to 40 minutes until tender. Turn occasionally. Sprinkle with herbs for added flavor.

Potato Puffs. To four cups mashed potatoes, add 2 beaten egg yolks, stir, then add 2 beaten egg whites, stir, add ½ cup milk, 2 tbsp butter, mix thoroughly.. Spoon into 1-1/2 quart baking dish, bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes until puffed and brown.

Puffed Potatoes in the Half Shell. Cut baked potatoes in half lengthwise. Scoop out potato, whip until fluffy with butter, milk, seasoning, bits of cooked ham & veggies, onion, & then spoon into shells. Bake in 400 degree oven until tops are golden brown.

Scalloped. Arrange layers of thinly sliced potato in greased baking dish. Sprinkle each layer with salt, pepper, minced onion, dot with butter. Pour hot milk over the potatoes, so it is within ½ inch of the top of the potatoes. Bake at 350 degrees about 1 to 1-1/4 hours or until potatoes are tender.

Golden Parmesan. Slice six large potatoes into small pieces. Mix 1/4 cup flour, 1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese, salt and pepper, in a paper bag. Put potatoes in bag and shake until coated. Melt butter in large pan. Lay potatoes in one layer in the pan. Bake at 375 degrees for one hour. Turn two or three times while baking so all sides are browned. Sprinkle with parsley when nearly done.

German Potatoes. Grate 7 potatoes, rinse in cold water, press dry. Soak 6 slices dry bread in 2 cups milk, beat in 2 eggs, salt &and pepper to taste, stir in the potatoes. Pour into a greased dish, top with sour cream, bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

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But "all that is" is not just what you can see, hear, feel, taste, and smell with your earthly senses. There is an entire spiritual reality that is as "real" as anything you can taste or feel and smell. It is all around us, New Life -- Easter Life -- victory over death and evil. The Reign of God is upon and among us. Every waking moment we can live in justice and peace, as we experience the Reign of God right here, right now. Chaos may rage and violence may come, but all of the powers of evil will not win against God.

We are truly an Easter people, washed in the waters of baptism, anointed with the oil of salvation, fed at the table of the Lord. To understand Easter is to live this reality day by day, moment by moment. Thus, our eyes and ears and hearts become open to the ever-renewing Spirit of the Lord, who calls us to preach the good news of salvation from sin and liberation from all wicked oppression to the poor and powerless and the rich and powerful.

A smile is the cheapest way to improve your looks, even if you have crooked teeth.