

We believe in God, the Father, the Almighty

The Resurrection of Jesus

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb.

And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, approached, rolled back the stone, and sat upon it.

His appearance was like lightning and his clothing was white as snow.

The guards were shaken with fear of him and became like dead men.

Then the angel said to the women in reply, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified.

He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." **MATTHEW CHAPTER 28: 1-6 (NABRE)**

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

The Gospel account depicts a peculiar posture of the angel at the Resurrection. The Angel is sitting. The greatest miracle and event in all of human history has just occurred: Jesus has been in the tomb for three days and has risen from the dead! And, the angel seems quite relaxed. Jesus has taken each of our sin, our shame, and our death upon Himself. Through His Cross and His Resurrection, he won the victory. Satan is utterly destroyed. The angel has moved aside the stone covering the tomb to let all know that, "He is risen. He is not here."

The angel is quite familiar with the nature and power of God. He dwells on the countenance of God endlessly. His casual posture gives a clear indication that he is not concerned that the soldiers—or anyone—is going to roll back the stone. The angel has every confidence in God. He lives in God's love. He does not need to rely on the virtue of Faith. He knows.

The angel's confidence reinforces God's absolute dominion on earth and in heaven. God's will is irreversible and uncontestable. In the Gospel of John, the beloved disciple clearly affirms this in recording Jesus' words, "I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again." (JOHN 10 17 & 18) Pilate had no power over Jesus. Jesus came to fulfill the Father's Will and He was in control. God *permitted* Himself to die on the Cross for us. He was not forced to endure this suffering.

As the Church endures its passion in this current age, have every confidence in God. It will be credited to you in Heaven. The world needs those who believe to be the light in this unbelieving world. Christ has secured the victory.

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St. Anthony Padua

"Nowhere other than looking at himself in the mirror of the cross can man better understand how much he is worth." St. Anthony of Padua

The Light of Christ

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light." Isaiah 9:1 (NABRE)

Even a spark lights up the deepest darkness. And, of course, Christ is the light of the world. In Matthew 5:16, our Lord tells us, "Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

In this academic year, your gifts are supporting twenty-five different students. Because of you, children are daily enlightened by the truth of the Gospel and being instructed in an environment where the source of all knowledge and wisdom is revealed. We extend to you the words of thanks from both the parents and students you are helping. Their gratitude is great. You truly have revealed the light of Christ to each of them.

Fulfilling The Great Commission

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you .

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Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support in order to fulfill our Lord's commands to spread the good news through Catholic education. Through your generosity, Teach the Truth helped twenty-five children remain in Catholic schools in Allegheny, Beaver, and Washington counties for the 2020-2021 school year. The gratitude is very heartfelt:

- It is difficult to find words to convey my gratitude to you ... for your generous support of Catholic education. As an elementary school principal, I am frequently in a position of facing parents who struggle to pay tuition. However, there are times when it is financially impossible for them. You have enabled us to offer hope and assistance and support to fulfilling their dreams
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- Without scholarships, we would not be able to afford the wonderful gift of a Catholic education. God bless!
- I have 73 low income families, and without the gift of tuition aid, a Catholic education would not be possible. This month a non-Catholic family entered the church and had their son baptized. The Lord works in so many ways to build his flock.

I support the mission of Teach the Truth Foundation and would like to donate to your efforts to make a Catholic education a reality for even more parents.

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