**Homily for Easter Sunday 2025**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

**Alleluia! Christ is risen!** Today, we gather to celebrate the greatest Solemnity of our Faith, the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the Gospel for today, we hear the account of Mary Magdalene and the disciples finding the tomb empty. **At first, there is confusion.** Mary Magdalene assumes that someone has taken the body of Jesus. **Yet, as the story reveals, the reality becomes clear: Jesus has risen, just as He promised.** The empty tomb is **not a sign of loss**, but a sign of God’s victory, a victory that changes everything. It a sign with which we are reminded that the **Resurrection of Christ transforms everything:** it brings **light** where there was darkness**,** **hope** where there was despair, and **life** where there was death.

Brothers and Sisters,

The resurrection of Christ is not just a moment in history. **It is the foundation of our faith and the source of our hope.** Through His death and resurrection, Jesus has opened the way for us to share in His eternal life.

Easter Celebration is a call to renewal. **Just as the disciples were transformed when they saw the Risen Lord, we too are invited to experience this transformation.**

The Resurrection challenges us to live as people of hope and joy, bearing witness to the Light of Christ in our world that often feels overcome by darkness. **It reminds us that no matter the challenges or trials we face, the love of God love is greater, and His promises are unshakable.**

**Today, let us rejoice in the gift of salvation and allow the message of Easter to fill our hearts.** Let us carry the Light of the risen Lord into our families, our communities, and our world. **May our lives proclaim the truth of the Resurrection, showing through our love, service, and faith that Christ is alive and that He is at work in our lives.**

As we celebrate this glorious day, let us recall the words of the Psalm 118: 24: **“This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.”** Let us go forth with the hearts full of gratitude and the lives transformed by the power of the Resurrection.

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Let us rejoice and be glad!

Amen.