



Office of the Bishop

Our Dear Sisters and Brothers:

As we approach the life-giving events of Holy Week our minds and hearts are drawn to the great mystery of God's love for us. As we walk with Christ on the way to Jerusalem we are edified and united in this journey by His strength and teaching. We witness His betrayal, arrest, passion and crucifixion motivated only by His love for us. We rejoice at the hope of eternal life given to us as He overcomes all adversity and bursts forth from the tomb on Easter Morning.

During this unprecedented time in living history when the whole world is suffering from the COVID-19 pandemic we walk with you on the journey to Easter. We know of the suffering you are undergoing in so many different ways but we urge you not to lose hope in the bright promise of tomorrow which Christ won for us by the cross and His rising from the tomb.

As your bishops we urge you to remain steadfast to the call we have all received of faithful, servant discipleship. Just as the Apostles were confused and in panic at the Lord's passion, but restored by His living presence at the resurrection, so must all of us, fearful and perhaps doubting at this time, remain faithful to Him who is our hope and our glory.

We wish you God's blessings for this Easter Time and assure you of our prayers for you and your families.

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

Sincerely,

Most Rev. Robert W. McElroy
Roman Catholic Bishop of San Diego

The Rt. Rev. Susan Brown Snook
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