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Blessings to the respected Vicars of the Parishes, Priests of the locality, Cor-Episcopoi, Ramban, Deacons, Kaisthanees, and beloved faithful in the Diocese of South-West America.

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

On this holy and radiant feast of Easter, we proclaim with joy and conviction: Christ is risen! By His glorious Resurrection, He has conquered sin and defeated death forever. What once held humanity in bondage has been overcome through the Cross, and life has triumphed over the grave. Through His precious blood and the water that flowed from His pierced side, we who were once deformed and corrupted by sin have been restored and made one with Him. In His Resurrection, we are not only forgiven but raised—renewed in His image and called into the power of eternal life. This is our hope, and our calling.

As we celebrate this great mystery, I exhort each of you to live in the light of the Resurrection. In a world marked by turmoil, war, hatred, and uneasiness, we are called to stand firm in hope. Let us not be overcome by fear or despair, but instead bear witness to the peace and joy that come from the Risen Christ. Even in suffering, we walk with confidence, knowing that Christ has already won the victory. Let your lives reflect this Hope of Resurrection—through love, patience, forgiveness, and steadfast faith. Be instruments of healing and unity in a divided world, and shine as witnesses of the new life we have received in Him. Let us hold fast to this promise of hope: *"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."* (1 Peter 1:3)

May the joy of the Resurrection fill your hearts, strengthen your faith, and guide your lives always. Christ is risen! Indeed, He is risen! May the Lord bless you and your families and all your friends and the near and dear ones.

May the love of God the Father, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit be with us forever and ever.

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