

Pray with us during Easter

12 - 18 April 2020



This Easter, as we celebrate our Lord's resurrection, join us in praying for all Christians who are unable to freely profess and practise their faith in safety. May the promise of the resurrection fill them afresh with hope, peace, comfort, strength, joy, faith and boldness, despite the difficult circumstances they face. May they be reminded that, whatever trials they're forced to endure in this world, we are an Easter people destined for another life.

Sunday 12 April

'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!' (Luke 24:5-6) Pray that Christ's resurrection will offer hope to all Christians facing harassment, discrimination or violence on account of their faith, and reassure them that the sorrow and suffering of this world will ultimately pass away.

Monday 13 April

'Peace be with you.' (Luke 24:36) Pray for all families longing for news of their loved ones who have been detained, imprisoned, forcibly disappeared or abducted because of their faith; that they might know the peace Christ offers to each and every one of us this Easter.

Tuesday 14 April

'Surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.' (Matthew 28:20) Pray for all Christians imprisoned, forcibly disappeared or abducted because of their religious belief; that they will be comforted today by the knowledge that the risen Christ will never abandon them.

Wednesday 15 April

'Receive the Holy Spirit.' (John 20:22) Pray that all those suffering because of their faith in Christ will be strengthened by the Holy Spirit and given the grace to persevere, regardless of the trials they may endure.

Thursday 16 April

'The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.' (John 20:20) Today, pray that all Christians facing injustice on account of their faith will be reminded that the disciples' joy on seeing the risen Lord will one day be theirs too.

Friday 17 April

'Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them.' (John 20:26) At the resurrection, the unimaginable became reality. May those who can't envisage any possible way out of their present sufferings be filled anew with an unshakable faith and remember that God's ways defy earthly reason.

Saturday 18 April

'My Lord and my God!' (John 20:28) Lord Jesus Christ, may all those who face harassment, intimidation and abuse for believing in you, despite never having seen you in the flesh, be filled with courage today. In the face of intimidation, may they profess faith in you as boldly as Thomas did on touching your wounded yet risen body. Amen.

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