



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

## *HAPPY EASTER!*

We celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord every year as a reminder to us. When we stop remembering we forget. So, we remember the Resurrection to remind us that Jesus has power over sin, over death, over darkness, over evil. There is nothing, NOTHING, NOTHING too big for God to handle!

When Jesus rose from the dead, the whole world changed. Nothing like that ever happened before. It is not just a resuscitation – bringing life back into a lifeless body – but a *resurrection* – bringing new life, transformed life, life that cannot end!

When the stone was rolled in front of the tomb, it was a symbol of the end of life and of hope. When the stone was rolled away from the tomb, it symbolized all of the forces working against God being shattered – tossed away, as it were. Think about this in your darkness – Jesus rolled away the stone. Think about this when you're surrounded by evil – Jesus rolled away the stone. Think about this when the emptiness and existential loneliness drives you to seek fulfillment in the things of this world – Jesus rolled away the stone and conquered sin and death.

We come to Easter and remember that God loves us so much He entered into sin and death and destroyed it so that we could be with Him forever!

Sometimes we struggle with the truth of how much God loves us. We lose focus on our purpose in life. If you are asking "Who am I, what am I, and where am I going?" I invite you to come to our **Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land** event on May 9 at 7:00pm. It will be an evening of visual beauty, live music, and reflection that will open your senses to the secret of God revealed in all of creation. It will be geared on orienting our whole lives toward the satisfaction of our deepest longings. Tickets are \$25 per person and be purchased in the parish office (603-635-3525) or online ([M4MNH.EVENTBRITE.COM](http://M4MNH.EVENTBRITE.COM)).

As we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus, I invite you to delve deeper into the mystery of what this love means for you personally, and for all humanity. May it be a day of great blessings for you and your loved ones.