



# DIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA AND EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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*Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death  
And upon those in the tombs bestowing life.*

*We celebrate the abolition of death,*

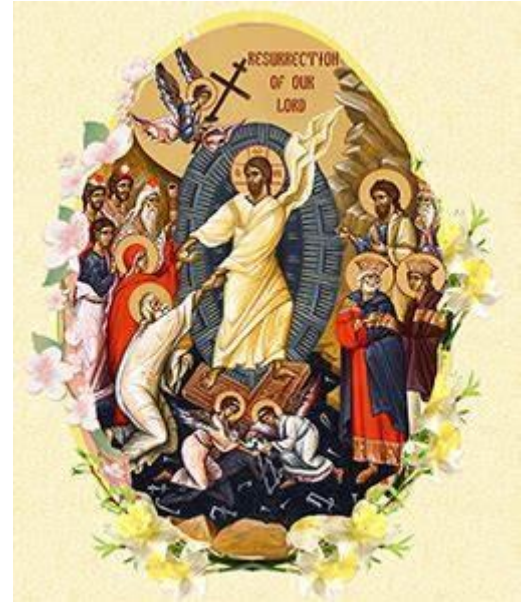
*The destruction of Hades and the first fruit of everlasting life.*

*And as we leap with joy, we praise the Cause of these good  
gifts,*

*The God of our fathers who alone is blessed and most glorified.*

*Beloved of God,*

*Christ is Risen! Truly, He is Risen! El Messieh kahm! Hakken  
kahm! Khristos voskrese! Voistinu voskrese!*



*Let God, arise and let His enemies be scattered! As smoke vanishes so let them vanish! So the sinner will  
perish before the face of God, but let the righteous be glad! This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us  
rejoice and be glad in it! Let us embrace one another and forgive all things for the sake of Christ's Holy  
Resurrection.*

*Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! Cristos vaskres! Vaistinu vaskres! Cristos a inviat! Adevarat a inviat!*

*Blessed Feast!*

*Your unworthy father in Christ,*

*+ Mark*

*+ MARK, Archbishop of Philadelphia and the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania*