



Curia Generalizia - Roma

*Dearest Sisters and friends,*

**Christ is Risen!**

**Easter 2013**

This is the cry that echoes throughout the world on this joyful day. It is the glorious climax of Christian life and its experiences. The perennial testimony of the Church, from the Easter Morning when the disciples saw the bright light, the angels in white, the empty tomb, to the appearances of the Lord of Glory to his disciples - is that

**JESUS IS RISEN INDEED!**

"Like the radiant, glorious and joyful angels at the empty tomb, let us always have these words in our hearts and on our lips: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Resurrection of the Lord strengthens within us the fervour of the Holy Spirit. It is a glow given to us by the Spirit so that others can be brought into the light of Christ.

Let us take up the invitation of Matthew in 5:16:

*"Let your light shine ..."* in the purity of faith, in perfect charity, in the fullness of life and true joy. Completely entrusted to God, let us proceed with serene trust, in the company of other travelling companions, while we firmly believe that, even through our humble witness, all may be touched by the light of the Risen Christ.

Through our thoughts, words and actions which welcome, promote, protect and defend the dignity of each person and making ours the 'sentiments that were in Christ Jesus' (Ph 2:5), we render visible in us and around us the power of the Risen Lord.

***"This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!"*** (Psalm 118:24)

This invitation is transformed into prayer and a wish for each one of you and for your families:

"... May He enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven ..." (Eph 1:17-20)

United with my Councillors, Sr. Annamaria, Sr. Anna, Sr. Liz and Sr. Anne, I wish you all a Holy Easter.

***May The Risen Lord bless us all!***

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