

!!! A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ONE AND ALL !!!

Beyond Calvary lies not the next world, but the Garden of Eden, not the life of Grace. It is the door, not into the heavenly, but into the earthly Paradise where man is united with God and God communicates His life to man, in Grace, which is the end here below. When, by the fall, the life of Grace, man's real life on this earth, was lost, the life of the concupiscences - - the law of the members - - was inaugurated. Christ, by His Crucifixion, which was a death to His Body, made it possible for man to rise from the state of death of soul, and by His Resurrection in which He is freed from the shackles of mortality He symbolises what must characterise our "risen life" in its perfection, namely, freedom from the concupiscences (the desires of the eyes - - the desires of the flesh - - the desires of the pride of life). By Humility, Poverty, Chastity, Obedience, Sufferings borne in union with Christ - - - - in a word, by our Cross, we enter into the dispositions which condition, foster the growth of and make possible our resurrection to this new life, the life of Grace (which conquers the desires of the eyes, the desires of the flesh, and the desires of the pride of life). This is our earthly Paradise - the Garden of Eden - for us again, for now with joy will we serve our God, with peace will we be poor as Christ was poor, with Chastity will we be drawn closer to God, and with obedience will we overcome the sloth of our disobedience, and then our sufferings will be borne out of a pure love for the Lord, our God.

