

EASTER SUNDAY REFLECTIONS YEAR B 2021.
ROLLING THE STONE!!!

Since Ash Wednesday we had 40 days culminating today with the **RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**. We were in different deserts, mountains, streets, homes, backyards all attempting to accompany the Lord. We got involved in different activities; **fasting, abstinence, more prayers, charitable activities like feeding the hungry and care to the homeless**. This was the call of Lent.

Today we celebrate the **victory** of our Lord Jesus Christ in conquering **suffering and death through RESURRECTION**. Through this victory our song is **Alleluia, He is risen, let us rejoice and be glad**. Through resurrection we have **strength, confidence, and courage**. This is clearly seen in the first reading. Peter, the man with **jelly-like faith**, sometimes too strong, questionable, other times a coward, yet after resurrection he took control of the situation, after getting the information of resurrection through the **women!** What a powerful way of spreading the resurrection. First through these women. What a privilege indeed. Imagine what was in their minds as they approached the tomb!

Who will roll the stone back for us ? Who will open the door for us?

They did not give up at all! What a courageous move from these women. How many times do we give up when the going becomes tough in life?

They found the stone rolled away, though the anxieties intensified by finding the empty Tomb. They reacted immediately by making a move, **RUNNING AWAY FROM THE TOMB to tell it out (preaching)**.

Peter, after getting the message made a move, **RUNNING TOWARDS THE TOMB**.

Easter is all about **preaching, spreading the Word, and witnessing the Risen Lord**. It is about rolling away **stones and obstacles, and OPENING THE DOOR** for the Risen Lord.

We need to leave behind those ***linen clothes of sin, pride, and bitterness in life. Jesus left all in the tomb and went as a FREE PERSON.***

What do you think you can leave behind this Easter and be a free person? What **STONE ARE YOU GOING TO ROLL AWAY IN YOUR LIFE?** ARE YOU GOING TO OPEN THE DOOR FOR JESUS? Easter **must not be a one-day spiritual trip BUT a lifelong Journey** with our Risen Lord and with one another.

Like Peter and Mary Magdalen, we are called to witness Christ in this **hostile world which is too busy** to see the Risen Lord. The Risen Lord will give us that Light and Peace the world needs so badly. We need His peace to survive the different storms in life.

We are called to be agents of resurrection like Magdalen and Peter and the other apostles.

***BE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD TO SOMEONE THIS EASTER.
HAPPY EASTER TO ALL.***