

## BISHOP GREG'S EASTER MESSAGE 2024

## **Dear Brothers and Sisters**

Throughout history, in every culture, humans have struggled with two questions: Why is there suffering? and, what is death? On Good Friday Jesus shares our suffering and like us dies. Amazingly the story does not end there. The next day is Holy Saturday when Jesus hovers in the space of death waiting for the Resurrection.

The Christian answer to suffering and death is Jesus Christ, and the key is Holy Saturday because the liminal experience between suffering and life is common to us all. This experience stretches us until we are able to look beyond ourselves. We recognize that we are not alone in this space. Grief and suffering open us to something greater than ourselves. We can find God, we can meet Jesus in our suffering and grief.

What seemed the end of the story opens us to life – the Resurrection.

I wish you a happy and blessed Easter.

Bishop Greg