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"What is most peculiar about Easter is that although the followers of Jesus had heard Him say He would break the bonds of death; when He actually did, no one believed it...The followers were not expecting a Resurrection and, therefore, did not imagine they saw something of which they were ardently hoping. Even Mary Magdalene, who within that very week had been told about the Resurrection when she saw her own brother raised to life from a grave, did not believe it. She came on Sunday morning to the tomb with spices to anoint a body – not to greet a Risen Savior. On the way, the question of the women was who will roll back the stone? Their problem was how they could get in; not whether the Saviour would get out." Archbishop Fulton Sheen



"Christ's Resurrection is the strength, the secret of Christianity. It is not a question of mythology or of mere symbolism, but of a concrete event. It is confirmed by sure and convincing proofs. The acceptance of this truth, although the fruit of the Holy Spirit's grace, rests at the same time on a solid historical base. On the threshold of the third millennium, the new effort of evangelization can begin only from a renewed experience of this Mystery. accepted in faith and witnessed to in life. Rejoice, Holy Virgin, because He whom you bore in your womb is risen! Dear brothers and sisters, let us try to relive the joy of the Resurrection with Mary's heart. **Even in the darkness of Good Friday she**



prepared herself to receive the light of Easter morning. Let us ask her to obtain for us a deep faith in this extraordinary event, which is salvation and hope for the world." St. John Paul II

JESUS IS RISEN - "PEACE BE WITH YOU - DO NOT BE AFRAID."
EASTER BLESSINGS AND THANKS TO ALL OUR READERS,
DONORS AND FRIENDS



THE YOUTH IN THE PROJECTS APPRECIATE ALL THE KINDNESS, LOVE AND CARE THAT THEY RECEIVE WITH YOUR HELP. HAPPY EASTER TO ALL OUR DONORS AND FRIENDS



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Ha Chaka primary school in Maputsoe, Lesotho, is concluding a new kitchen project. Thanks to all our friends in Italy!



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Our newest Learn to Live learners are diving into an immersive experience! Currently, in the midst of orientation and team-building exercises, they're gearing up for an incredible journey of growth and discovery.





Dear Friends on

once again
we are celebrating the great Feast of the Resurrection. Jesus is Risen. For many centuries, it

has been suggested that the first person to whom Jesus appeared after His Resurrection, was His Own Mother. Pope St John Paul II, St Ignatius Loyola and many others throughout the centuries shared this belief. And why not? Doesn't it make sense that He would have gone to her first. Let us put our anxieties in Her care, so that She can ask Her Son to assist us. This month we pray for the repose of the souls of Seamus Connell and Maisie Swoboda, (great friend of Ann Wozniak and the parishioners of Lansdowne) and all those who have gone before us. May they rest in peace. My sincere thanks to you all for your generous prayers, donations and loyalty to Salesians. Please don't forget to give

us a donation, small or large – we desperately need your assistance.

May I wish you every grace and blessing during this Easter Season. Pray for me as I do for you. Much Love. Denise Hards



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