

Easter Sunday 2026

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There is a sad consequence of the fatalistic attitude that so many of us are encouraged to have to life.

It means that it is more difficult for us to live positive consequences of events and choices in life.

So the successful busyness person feels like a fraud. Subconsciously imagining someone will one day turn up to take it all away.

Or blustering's of an athlete who has just achieved a sporting triumph, proclaiming that it all seems like a dream. Unreal.

But it is real. It has happened. It is wonderful.

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I have witnessed the astonishing joy that has accompanied the birth of a child.

The birth may come with fear, pain, and bewilderment.

Never the less the baby is an astonishing source of love

Held for the first time in the arms

Close and warm and fragile and beautiful.

Hold that moment close to what forms your nature

Feed from that moment during times of frustration even crisis

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I have witnessed the celebrations of moments of achievement of others.

Not now romantic. Not idyllic. But of significance never the less.

To be affirmed by circumstance. To have external witness of talents.

To know that you have done this.

Do not discount this experience and push its wellbeing into the past

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The Apostles moved away from the empty tomb

There had been visions of angels, promises fulfilled

They like us struggled with the faith that made possible a belief in the beautiful

Knowing that all that suffering was not pointless

Daring to recapture the bewildering joy of being with Christ

Holding that moment close as it reformed their nature

Feeding upon that in the new life each was called to live

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So they moved on to Corinth and to Rome

To teaching and to dying

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You are the people of the resurrection

You are the people of hope

You are the people who refuse to accept the death of love

But live that love even with those who have died

Take with you each day the events of significant goodness

Take with you each day the witness that believes in you

Take with you each day

The kindness

The humour

The compassion

The sacrifice

The culture

The trust

Hold that close as it forms your nature

Nothing shall be lost

All shall be redeemed

Christ is risen

He is risen indeed.