

# Lenten Reflection

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## Happy Easter Season!

*"There once was a follower of Jesus who loved him enough to have the courage to watch Him be crucified. He, in turn, loved her enough to choose her as the first to know of His resurrection." - Kathleen Housley*

I just can't imagine how Mary Magdalene must have felt on that morning of the first day of the week when she arrived at the tomb! What a gift to be the first to know of His resurrection! What exactly was going through her mind? Did she really believe that she would see Jesus? What a range of emotions she must have experienced between being fearful and feeling overjoyed! Mary certainly participated in the "Event that changed the world ~ the Resurrection of Jesus!"

At the beginning of these 50 days of the Easter Season, let us celebrate our new life with Jesus Christ! Yes, 2000+ years later, we are gifted with the graces we need to recognize the presence of the Risen Jesus within and among us. As Mary ran to announce the good news of Jesus' resurrection to the disciples, let us proclaim by our lives that Jesus, the gift and blessing from our Provident God is truly present within and among all of us!

Let us not look for the Living One among the dead! Rather, let us embrace this new season of life and transformation! Let us run to the tomb as Mary of Magdala did, singing our song of resurrection.

Let us meet Jesus along our way! Let us proclaim hope, transformation and new life to those we meet. We have no reason to be afraid. Let us live these days proclaiming by our lives that Jesus Christ is Risen and lives among us!

*Alleluia! Alleluia!*  
*This is the day that the Lord has made;*  
*let us be glad and rejoice in it!*  
*Alleluia!*

