

## Text Of Pope's Easter Message To World

"Surrexit—He has risen" (Matt. 28: 6) was the joyful greeting which the angel at the empty tomb gave to the holy women at the dawn of the Resurrection Day. The same

We desire, in His name, to repeat today as an Easter greeting to you all, beloved sons and daughters, who come from our own episcopal city of Rome, from Italy, from so many parts of the world, in order that the blessed strengthening and heavenly peace which flows forth from the Divine Saviour, may penetrate your minds, and mold your thoughts, your sentiments and your will.

He is risen and lives in the midst of us! What more certain truth, what more comforting reality, in the present earthly exile, than this twofold fact on which are founded the certainty of the Faith and the hope of each one's salvation!

Christ is risen! This historic truth shines forth undimmed by any shadow of doubt, and its splendor persists, supported by the living testimony of the Church, which would not have survived the burden of the centuries if Christ had not risen.

Christ, Not Of Human Design  
Christ is in the midst of us! The reality of Christ living and working in the Church shines out with irresistible clarity. You yourselves are witness of it. The Church which cannot be the result of human design—which is rather the denial of inordinate tendencies, and for that reason is hated by the world (Cf. John 15, 18-19)—stands firm because there is in it One Who gives it ever anew the freshness of life and youth.

It is God, made man and risen again, who conceals himself within it in order to instill into humanity an interior and unending life by communicating to whosoever believes in Him, His own truth, grace and peace.

For the Christian enlightened by the truth of the Resurrection, the Faith is life, the essential basis of life in communion with Christ in the Church.

How, then, could a believer be able to separate in himself religion from life without mortally tearing apart his essential nature and foolishly reversing the due order in the work of God?

Let the Faith, then, be in you a living Faith, that is, let it be a Faith glowing and alive, so that religion directs life and life is turned into a continual act of religion. In truth the more deeply the Christian is rooted in the Faith, so much the more zealously does he accomplish the duties which life imposes on him, so much the more effectively does he work, when called to a position involving heavy obligations, which have for their end and purpose social welfare, public order and the peaceful dwelling together of nations.

With the joy of Easter, then, dear sons and daughters, let the sound conviction be strengthened in you all that religion is an absolute condition of true life, and that only from an active synthesis of both arises the solution of problems, great and small, which harass humanity at

the present time.  
In order that this be fulfilled, and that the joy of the Resurrection die not with the setting of the Easter sun, but rather be transformed into abiding hope, we beseech an abundance of grace from Our Redeemer, death's Conqueror.

Men Of Goodwill Blessed  
May Our blessing, therefore, reach all men of good will, so that ever more of them may become the new leaven (Cf. 1 Cor. 5, 7) of truth and virtue. May it reach those who belong to the true faith, so that they may persevere in it and nourished by it, strive for ever greater perfection.

But especially may it reach those who for their loyalty to Christ and the Church are suffering persecution, are condemned to unjust hardship, torn from their loved ones, exiled, stripped of their liberty and cast into prison.

We bless them with particular affection, so that with their eyes fixed on the Saviour, they may bear these mounting evils with unflinching calm, and be not broken in spirit. Let them offer their sufferings for their very persecutors, and thus win them to God. Let them make of their sacrifices the seeds of a rich harvest of true Christian happiness.

With a heart full of anxiety over the lot of so many peoples whose uncertain future is still hidden in heavy clouds, we bless also all those whose activity has a decisive influence on the good of humanity and the salvation of souls, and in whose hands rests a tremendous power either to promote or to inflict serious harm on those ends.

We bless them, in order that they may not close, but rather open wide the gates to God's work, so that sincerely prepared, they may throughout the world arrange "tasks" which will insure peace, a progressive disarmament and thus spare humanity the destruction of a new war.

May laws and ordinances within the nations be forthcoming which are always directed to the common good, respect human dignity and the freedom to do good, favor social justice and fraternal charity, in such wise that in their midst the Christian virtues, basis of all well-being, may flower abundantly.

Allusion To New Submarine  
We are well aware how much greater and more important control over the lives of peoples and their political activity is being attained by scientific research, and we bless the Lord Who has turned the minds of men to more gentle counsels of peace.

Without fear or trepidation we have noted the recent advances which, after some definite progress, have successfully completed the first attempt to propel a ship by means of nuclear energy, at last putting that force to the service, and not to the destruction of men.

We cannot but hope and pray that man may have those energies increasingly at his disposal,

and acquire a greater and greater control over them. We know how long and difficult, how arduous and dangerous is such research.

But we exhort men of science and of good will to persevere bravely and confidently in their theoretical and experimental study of the instruments and the promising materials, so as to attain a worthwhile production of easily accessible energy, which may be put to use where it is needed, and contribute to the lessening of the pressures of want and misery.

And we pray Almighty God to illumine and direct that work which can render supreme service, human and moral as well as scientific, even while We beg Him to prevent such great and noble effort from being turned into an infernal violence which would destroy everything.

With like hope and expectation we follow those numerous researches which, directed at studying the effects which the numerous types of radiation now at our disposal have on plants, on their development, on their fruits and the possibility of preserving them, and can help resolve the food problems which are of such importance in the life of men. For these too we invoke from God that provident help, without which there is no hope for human endeavor.

Warning On Radioactivity  
Still, concerning what research can accomplish in an ambitious control of life, we must again raise our voice of warning against the dangers, which the science of genetics foresees as possible, when that mysterious something which is deep down in every living thing, is handled recklessly, or subjected to a violent change of habitat by a cause such as, for example, increased radioactivity in the face of a yet unknown margin of biological security.

The horrors of monstrous offspring, and worse still, the hidden shocks caused to parental genes, would then give indication of the revolt of nature against such violence.

Finally Our fervent blessing goes to the desolate masses of the poor, scattered throughout the world, but close to Our heart; to the families which lack everything; to the sick languishing in hospitals, sanatoria, clinics, to the wretched in prison; to all oppressed by sorrow, so that through God's mercy and the love of good men, they may receive abundant comfort and aid.

The God of every grace, Who has called you to eternal glory in Christ Jesus, will perfect you, solace you, and give you strength. To Him be glory and power forever. Amen. (1 Peter 5, 10-11).

"Man-Of-Year" Award  
Pittsburgh — (NC) — Father Vincent P. Brennan, executive secretary of the Pittsburgh Catholic, newspaper of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, will receive the Notre Dame Man-of-the-Year award from the Notre Dame Club of Pittsburgh at the 32nd annual Universal Notre Dame Night Banquet, April 14.

## PRAYS FOR WORLD PEACE



London — A 60-year-old Catholic priest, kneeling in the street here, to recite the Rosary for World Peace. He is Albert Bonch of London, who chose a strategic spot for his prayers — the area in front of 10 Downing Street, residence of the British Prime Minister. (RNS Photo)

## Christian Trade Unionist Urges World Collaboration

United Nations, N. Y. — (NC) — The solution to the problems of the underdeveloped countries should be sought primarily through a determined effort of global collaboration.

In the improvement of their economic and social conditions, Gerard Thormann, representative of the International Federation of Christian Trade Unions, told members of the UN Population Commission meeting here.

"This requires," he said, "that the industrially advanced countries should be ready to re-think their international policy and investment in a degree commensurate with the needs of the underdeveloped countries."

He noted that the question of this development had been considered by various organs of the United Nations for several years and that progress had been made, and particularly that the Special UN Fund for Economic Development seemed near fulfillment.

ON THE OTHER hand, Mr. Thormann said, economically underdeveloped countries in turn should, while requiring the respect due to their autonomy, accept the cooperation of advanced countries by guaranteeing to the latter's nationals reasonable working conditions and assuring adequate security to foreign investments.

In this domain, too, he noted the UN had formulated concrete recommendations, which his or-

## Maryknoller Imports Looms To Help Chinese Refugees

Hong Kong — (RNS) — Looms imported from the United States by an American priest are giving jobs here to hundreds of refugees from Communist China.

Two shipments of 50 looms each have been brought in so far by the Rev. Arthur Dempsey, a Maryknoll Missioner from Peekskill, N. Y. Fifty more machines are on order.

He said one of the greatest problems faced by the refugees from Red China was that of making a living. He conceived the idea of importing looms to make the refugees self-sufficient.

TO TEACH THE Chinese to operate the machines, Father Dempsey brought Eugene Boncher of Woonsocket, R.I., to Hong Kong. Mr. Boncher, who had been in textile work for 33 years, is an expert on the new kind of loom imported by the priest.

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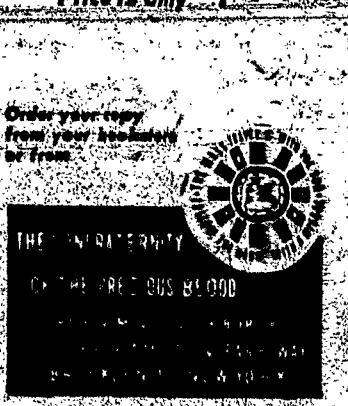
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