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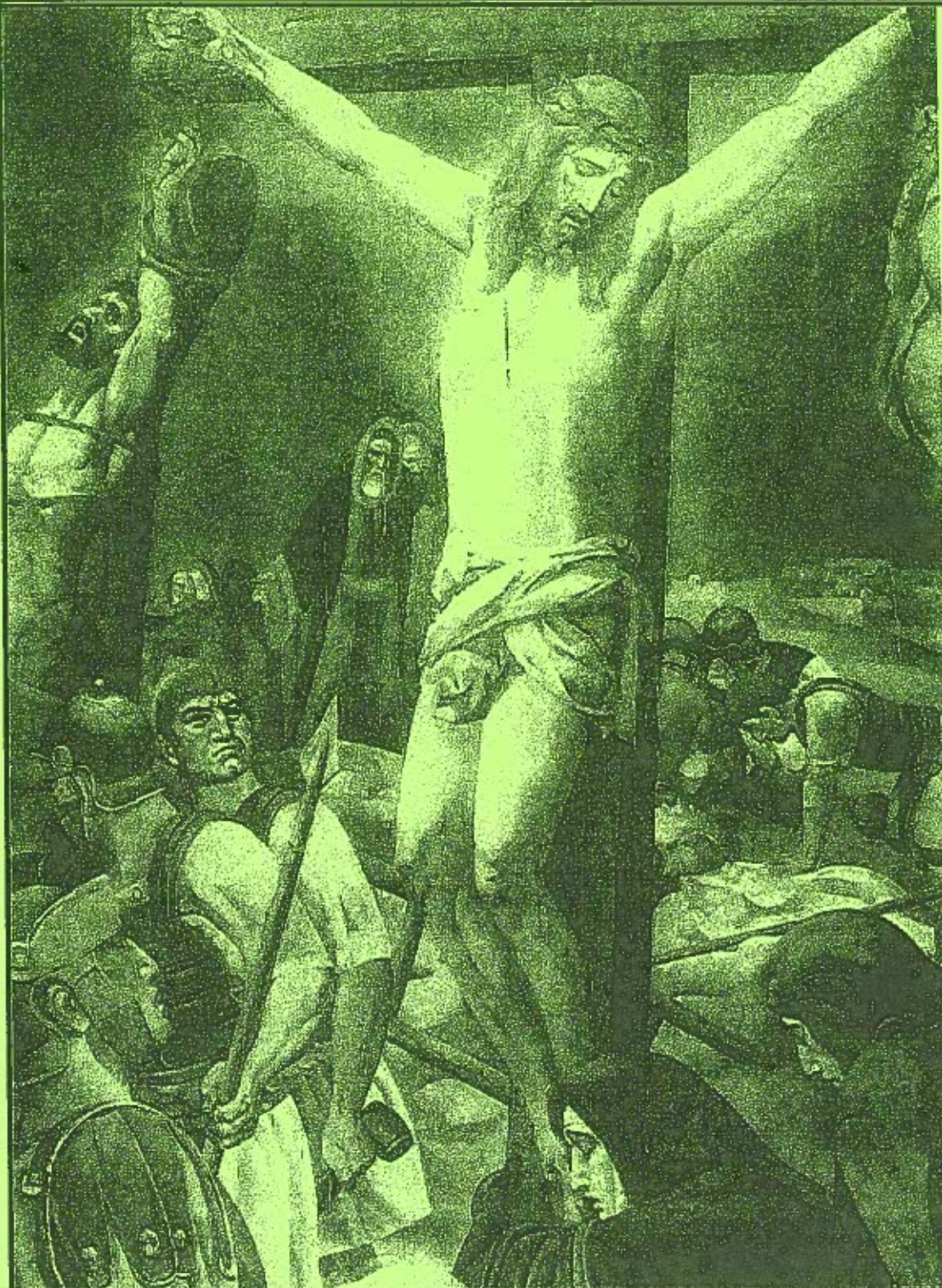
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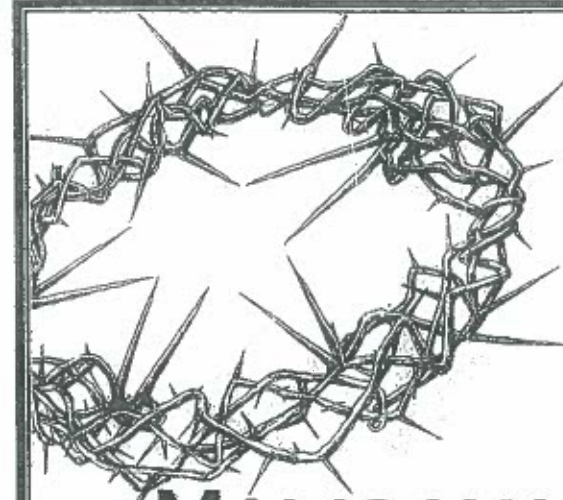
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From the President's Desk

Marc. R. Dicay



MALIGAYANG PASKO NG PAGKABUHAY

Jayo nang magbunyi!
Ipagdiwang ang
Kanyang muling pagkabuhay.
Sa araw na ito
at magpakailanman
isaisip
isapuso
ang Manunubos
na nagbigay sa atin
ng buhay
na walang hanggan.

In this season of Easter, we celebrate our encounter with the Risen Lord, who amidst the ashes of death, has triumphed over all forces that enslave humanity.

"Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, and I am the living one; for I was dead and now I am alive for evermore, and I hold the keys of Death and Death's domain."

Taken from the Book of Revelation, these words are spoken by the Lord to each one of us. These are words that encourage us to continue waging the battle against sin and the sinful structures of our life and of our community.

"Do not be afraid" brings to memory the voice of the one who constantly assures the world of Jesus' triumph over death - the Holy Father. Pope John Paul II constantly reiterates that the Risen Lord asks us to open all our doors in order to let in God's transforming light and grace.

Therefore, let the light of the Risen Lord shine over us that He may dispel the darkness that corrupts and causes decay over our life as individuals and as a community. As this light exposes all selfishness and greed, and transform them into charity and love, we will rise to a new life of competence, of concern and of peace.

Let us rise anew in this joyous season of Easter for our hope is in the One who is the first and the last, the Living One who holds the key to Death and Death's Domain.