



St. Elizabeth Mission Society, Inc.

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Easter 2014

My Dear Friends,

Peace be with you as we enter into a *Grace-Filled* time: "HOLY WEEK."

Preceding this week most of us spend some time in spiritual preparation before our parish communities come together to celebrate the Easter Tridium: the Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord.

On the more human side, Easter also conjures up *Hope* for more sunshine, spring flowers, new clothes and family gatherings as well as for a renewed meaning in our lives. Spring means New Life! So we take a bit of time to reflect on our priorities. What do we need to give, give up or change, whether that be attitudes or behaviors, to make Easter more meaningful?

It can be a very *Grace-Filled* Time!

As you know, St. Elizabeth Mission Society awards grants to our sisters who minister to the very poor in Brazil, Bolivia, Jamaica, WI. and the USA. Just recently as I reviewed these applications and read the words of gratitude from the sisters who work with these beautiful people, I was made aware that they depend daily on God's Grace and the financial assistance from you, our benefactors. Without your generosity we could not do this. "*New Life*" comes to the very poor when they are clothed and fed but also when they receive a deep sense of "*well-being*" because of this relationship with you! Thank you.

Is this not also Easter? Is this not also a *Grace-Filled* Time!



"Without the support of St. Elizabeth Mission Society, our women would not have nourishing and balanced meals. Grant funding enables us to continue our Ministry to New York City Homeless: providing food, medical and psychiatric care, shelter and referrals."

Project name: Dietary grant for Dwelling Place, West 40th Street, New York City. Shelter for Women began

by Franciscan Sisters of Allegany in 1977.



Sr. Pat Ginty with a resident.

Dear Sister Chris,

Yes, I would like to reach out to the poor so they may have New Life.

I am enclosing my gift of:

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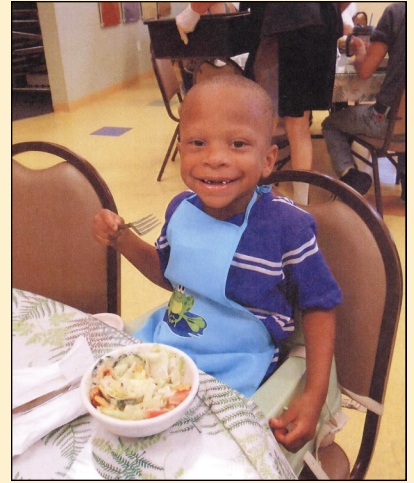
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Donations can be made by credit or debit card using PayPal through our website www.franciscanhope.org

“My service to Trinity Café has given me a far deeper understanding and empathy for the plight of the poor. I am inspired each day to offer my love and prayers to people who are most often overlooked and underserved. I see the difference in the demeanor of people when they experience the loving humanity that is given without qualification to each person who comes through the doors of Trinity Café. It is how our heavenly Father desires that we serve His children.” Sr. Maureen Dorr, OSF



Sr. Shirley Sweney, OSF



And another: “Your support of our work and your constant prayers sustain us! Our heartfelt thanks to you for all you do for those in need. Caring and faithful ministries, like yours, make a difference by easing hunger among more than 1,000 people who may not eat otherwise.”

Above Project Name: Trinity Café “Nourish and Nurture the Needy” - Tampa, Florida

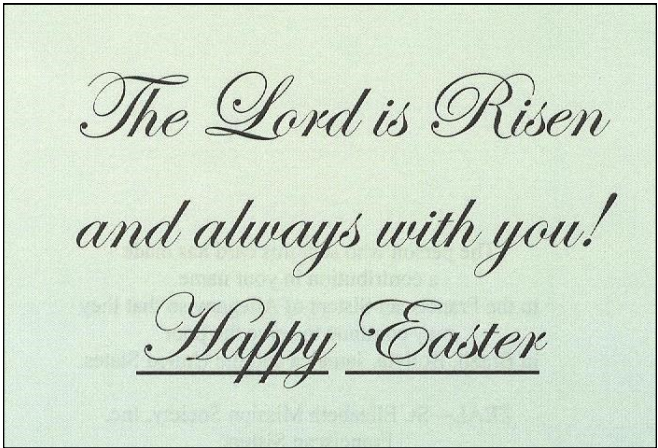
In the name of St. Elizabeth Mission Society, I thank you for making Easter happen for so many! Your gift, no matter the size, helps us give to the very poor what they need.

Rejoice! The Lord is Risen and always with you!

“May this be a very *Grace-Filled* time for you.”

Happy Easter

Lovingly,
Sr. M. Chris Doherty, OSF
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 St. Elizabeth Mission Society Director



Please remember the following persons and intentions in the Mass at the Motherhouse Chapel on Easter Sunday and in all the Masses to be celebrated during the Easter Season.

PERSONS—INTENTIONS

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