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Living Catholic in the 808: The (Easter) Message Continues!

**Excerpt from 2017 Easter Message
+ Bishop Larry Silva
Diocese of Honolulu**

We celebrate Easter not just to celebrate a past event — as marvelous as the event of resurrection from the dead is! We celebrate Easter so that the risen Jesus may continue to breathe his Spirit out upon us like a wild fire, so that we can joyfully and courageously proclaim his love to everyone.

But do we lock ourselves behind closed doors, privately believing, but not daring to share our belief in Jesus with others? (Do) we believe for ourselves, but forget what Jesus said on the night of his resurrection, “As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

As we (continue to) celebrate Easter we recall an amazing event of the past, the resurrection from the dead of the crucified Christ. But that event is also ever present, and moves us boldly into working toward the fulfillment of the work Jesus began.

It may bring us to the hardships that Jesus himself suffered, but it will surely bring us to eternal life and the fullness of joy. This is why, even with the hardships of our journey, we lift our voices and sing our hearty “Alleluia!” May that “Alleluia!” be the song that everyone hears us sing, whether with our voices or through our actions.

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