

Welcome to Easter!

Easter isn't just for Easter Sunday, nor just for Easter Week, but the Easter season actually lasts for 50 days until the feast of Pentecost!

Easter Sunday (Sun April 17th)

Easter Sunday Gospel - Luke 24:1-12 (Easter Vigil); John 20:1-9 (Dawn Mass)

He must rise from the dead

There is one singular, eternal event that stands at the centre of the whole of human history; in time, there is a Before and an After. Before, it was prophesied, prepared for, awaited, as proclaimed in the Vigil readings. After, the whole of history is a working-out of the grace of the Lord's sacrifice and resurrection and the destruction of death, in each individual life, and for all mankind.

This same singular, eternal event stands at the centre of the life of each baptised Christian, the day on which we enter the tomb with Christ in the waters of our baptism and emerge redeemed as adopted sons and daughters of God, heirs to eternal life.

This same singular, eternal event stands at the centre of the Christian life, as its source and summit. We have the privilege to be present every time we attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, where we stand at the foot of the cross, where we gaze into the empty tomb, where we hear him call us by our name in the garden. We are not merely 'remembering'; we are truly present. We hold holy each Sunday, the day of the Lord's resurrection, and especially this Sunday of Sundays, Easter Day.

Let us pray that this Easter we are able to fully embrace what Jesus has done for us through His cross and resurrection. May we live this season of joy, knowing that He has won the victory over sin, evil and death. May we come to know ever more fully His love for us in our hearts.

Happy Easter!

Activity

- ❖ **Unveil Crucifixes** - If you covered your crucifixes, now you can uncover them again
- ❖ **Easter Garden** - On Easter Sunday, remind the children to uncover the tomb in their Easter garden, and they can decorate it with flowers too
- ❖ **Alleluia!** - If you buried your alleluias, you can now dig them out again and joyfully sing 'Alleluia!' once more
- ❖ **Celebrate!** - Easter is a time to celebrate with family, friends, and food!

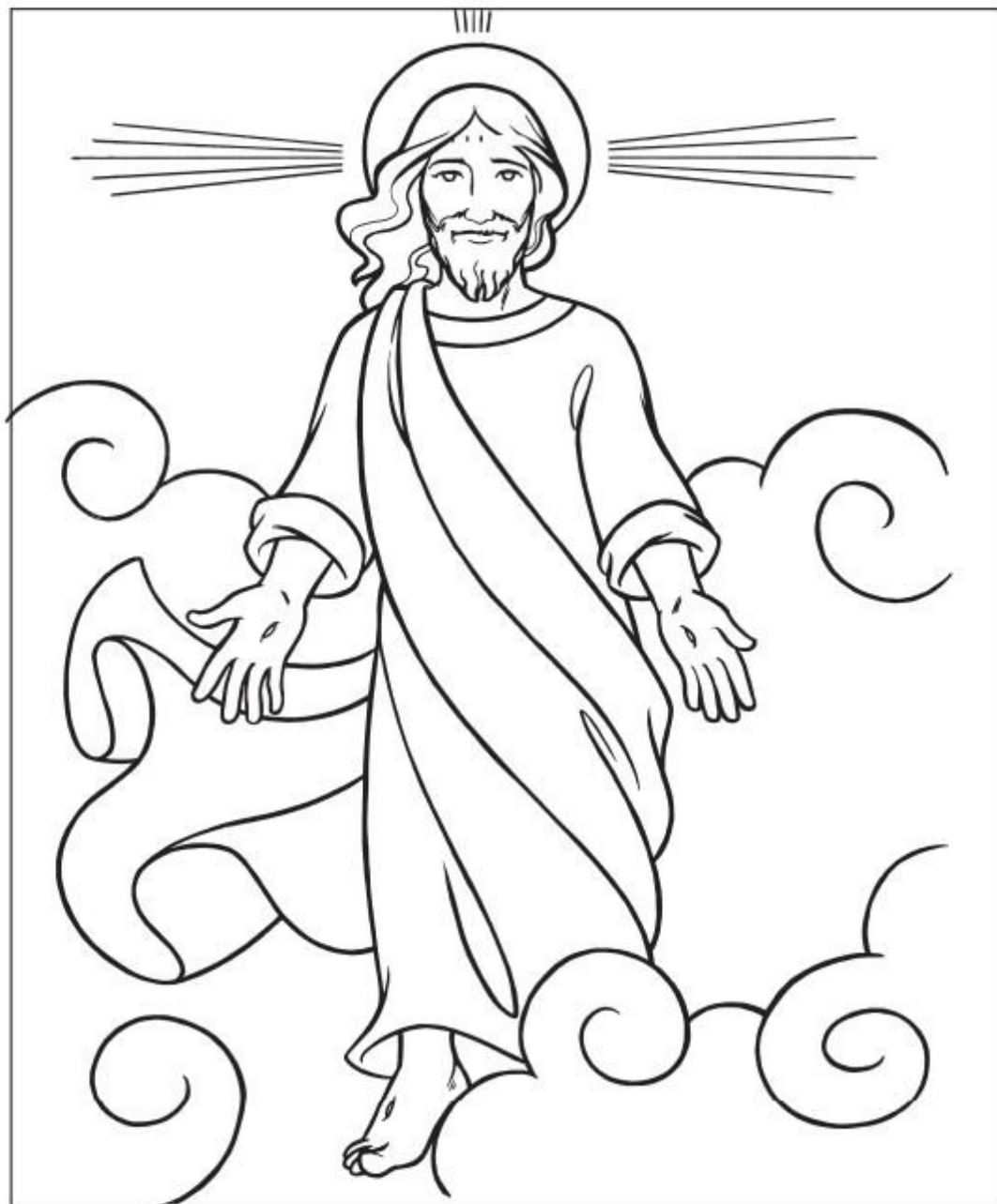


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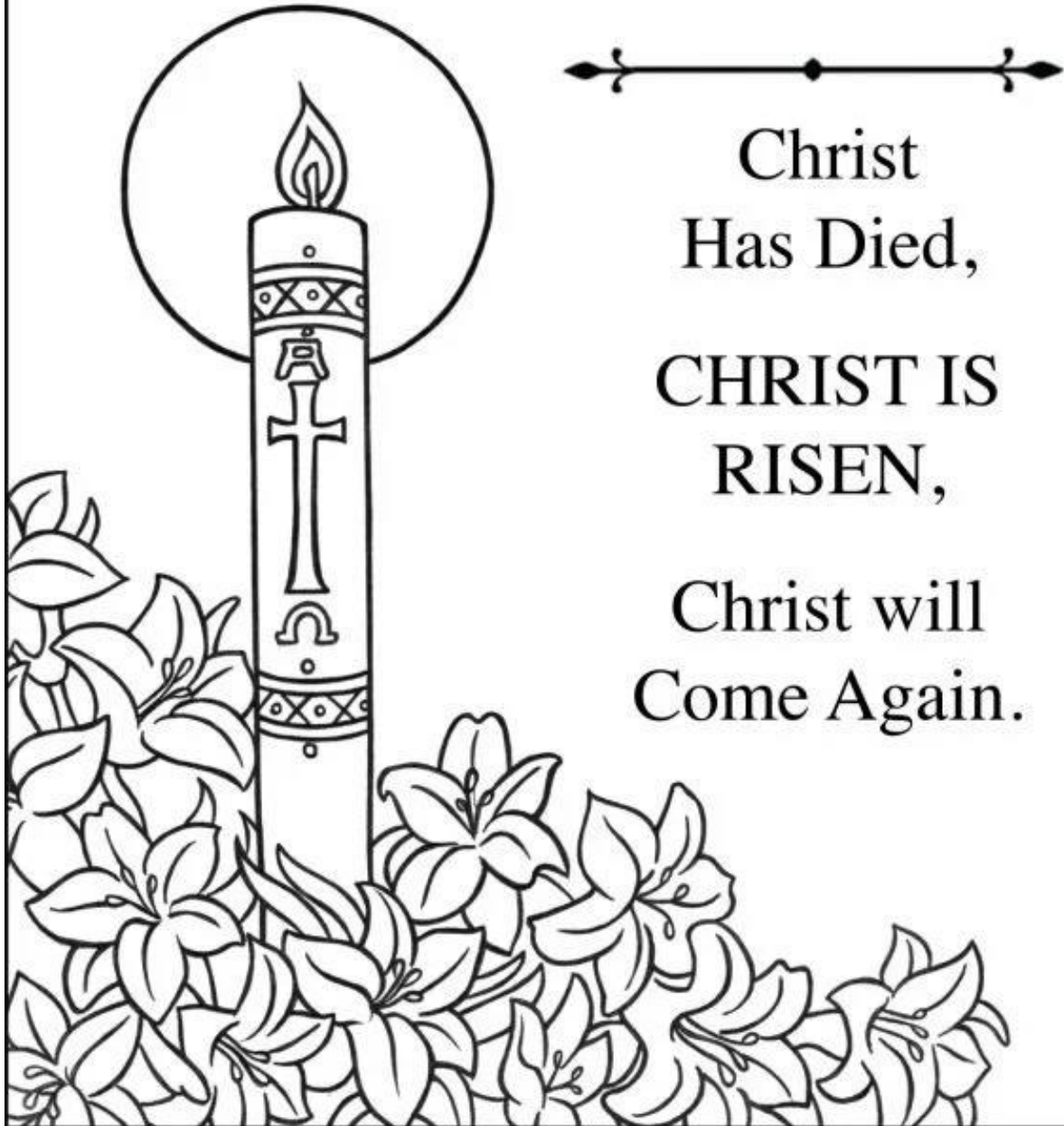
EASTER SUNDAY

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DAY 1



Alleluia! He is Risen! Alleluia!

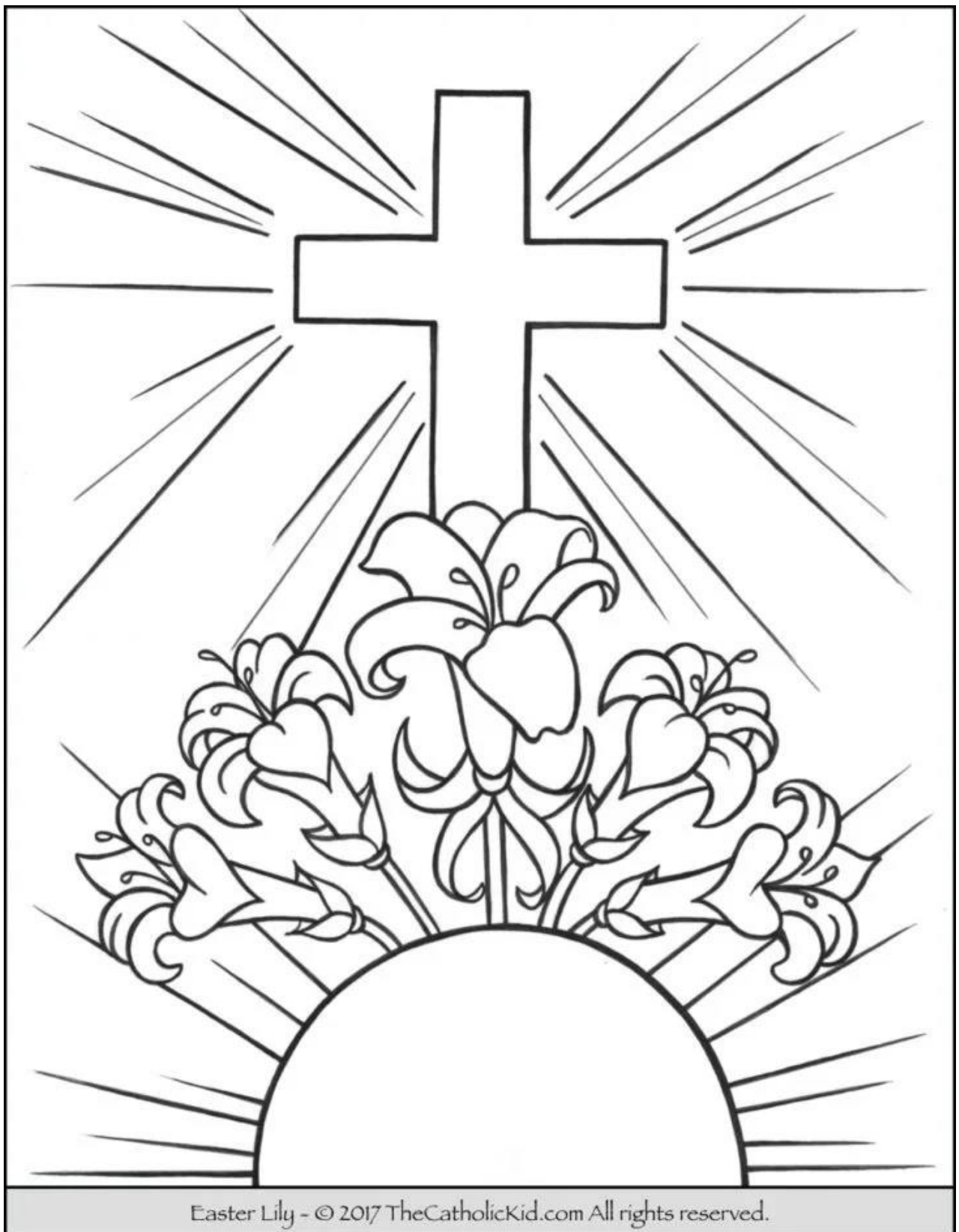
Alleluia



Christ
Has Died,

CHRIST IS
RISEN,

Christ will
Come Again.



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