



As we celebrate Easter today, we know in our hearts that Jesus is Risen, but we feel separated from the intimacy of the moment by not being present at the Feast. Let's remember that the Apostles

and followers of Jesus did not have live streaming or instant news coverage! Jesus appeared to some of his faithful followers, but the majority of people had to depend on word of mouth.

I wonder how I would have responded. My nature is to be skeptical. What would it have taken to convince me that Jesus had risen from the dead?

That thought makes me very grateful that I received the gift of faith at Baptism as an infant. My faith was nurtured by my parents and extended family, and the great gift of a Catholic school education.

I hope you will find a televised Mass to watch with your family. Holy Week services will be available on the Catholic Faith Network, times available at drvc.org.

Recovering from the corona virus, the archbishop of New Orleans encourages us to "become part of the story" of Holy Week.

If you read this by April 11th (Holy Saturday evening) you might be interested in the following opportunity:

"Turin, Italy — Catholics around the world will be invited to pray virtually before the Turin Shroud on Holy Saturday as the world struggles to contain the coronavirus pandemic, Church officials have said.

The Shroud, which bears the image of a crucified man and has been venerated for centuries as Christ's burial cloth, will be displayed via livestream at 5pm local time April 11.

Archbishop Cesare Nosiglia will preside over a liturgy from the chapel of Turin cathedral where the Shroud is kept in a climate-controlled vault. It will be broadcast live on television and social media."

Let us continue to pray for each other, until we are able to meet again IN CHURCH. Happy Easter! Agnes