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By the Grace of God,
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Blessings to Very Reverend Chor Episcopoi, Reverend Fathers, Reverend Deacons, and faithful of the Northeast American Diocese.

Dearly beloved,

Once again, God has given us the opportunity to celebrate the great Mystery of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. During these days we meditated on and commemorated the final moments of the earthly life of our Lord. We saw the disciples who were scared, confused, and despairing at the persecution and crucifixion become joyous, strengthened, and victorious in the Resurrection of their Lord and Savior.

Today, we are filled with fear, confusion and despair as we see natural disasters and wars taking human lives, and economic crises making life miserable for many. In this climate of uncertainty, the feast of the Resurrection reminds us the hope we have in the Risen Lord. It reminds us that the tragedies we endure in the present time are the experiences of the crucifixion and death which are needed to ascend to the resurrection and transformation of our life.

May the Resurrected Lord bless you and keep you throughout this joyous season.

Yours in our Lord,

Zachariah Nicholovos Metropolitan

Our Father, Who art in Heaven...