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TO:

ALL CLERGY - LAY READERS - CONGREGATIONS APCK

SUBJECT:

HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2016.

"Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ." Romans 8:38

As we read and pray again over the Scripture stories this week, especially those relating to the appearances – we see sorrow turning into joy, doubt giving place to belief and a small band of terrified disciples emerging as ambassadors for the Gospel message of death giving way to Resurrection life.

We in turn are called to carry that same Easter faith into our communities – our churches and missions – the places where we work and spend our leisure time – into our world.

That same Easter faith is made manifest in every Eucharist that we celebrate or attend. Holy week is the prelude to our Easter celebration. I encourage us all to be faithful in pacing ourselves through the solemn events enacted in what our ancestors in the faith called the **Three Great Days**. Whether our liturgies are solemn or simple – some effort should be made by all of us in the APCK to stand close to the Cross and the Empty Tomb.

May I respectfully remind us all of APCK Canon 11.06 and the fact that it is still in compliance and should be brought to the attention of our people – by their Clergy.

I am certainly looking forward to attending all of our Synods this year — when the three Suffragan Bishops will be installed during the Masses and following their Synodical confirmations. These installations are **not** Ordinations! The Suffragans have already been consecrated bishops and have been successfully acting out their apprenticeships for some time.

Attendance at the Synods is mandatory for all Clergy and elected lay officers. Those hoping to be excused are asked to apply to their area bishops. Saint Irenaeus teaches us that "where the bishop is — there is the Church." Therefore whenever the bishop is officiating in any community of faith it is expected that we will make every effort to be with him. Should finances be a problem assistance might be available through the office of the local bishop.

Jennifer and I wish you and yours all the blessing of a joyful Easter season.

CHRIST IS RISEN. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

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