



SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Acts 10: 34, 37-43

Psalms 117: 1-2, 16-17,
22-23

Colossians 3: 1-4 or 1

Corinthians 5: 6-8

John 20: 1-9 or

Matthew 28: 1-10



**“Young people,
let’s go and make
a difference.
Bring Jesus’ love and
hope to all.”**

- Archbishop Simon Poh

“Go and tell my brothers...” Before there is theology, there is experience. Before there is structure, there is sending. In the early Church, as we hear in Acts, Peter does not preach ideas. He proclaims what he has seen and lived — that Jesus, who was crucified, is now alive. And Saint Paul reminds us in Colossians: If Christ is raised, then our lives must rise too — our priorities, our hopes, our way of living in the world.

This is deeply relevant for our young people today. Many of them live in a world filled with pressure, anxiety, and uncertainty. What they need first is not programmes, but encounter — to meet a living Christ who gives meaning and direction.

At the Malaysian Catholic Youth Day, many young people shared this longing clearly: “We want to encounter Christ personally, not only learn about Him, and we want to be trusted to share that faith with others.” (MCYD Synthesis, Youth Faith Formation)

A synodal Church begins by walking with youths in their search, not standing above them with ready-made answers. **A prophetic Church dares to believe that young people can be witnesses, not just recipients of teaching.**

Easter tells us that fear is not the last word. Youth are not problems to manage, but messengers of hope to send.

If we truly believe Christ is risen, then we must also believe that new life is rising in our young people — and our task is to walk with them, form them, and trust them with mission. ✚

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Risen and Sent Youth as Witnesses of Hope

Easter does not begin with explanations. It begins with encounter. The women come to the tomb with fear, sorrow, and uncertainty — and they leave with joy and a mission: