Happy Easter
Patriarchal Proclamation on the Holy Pascha

Dear beloved Brothers and Children in the Lord,

Behold, the winter has passed away! Spring is coming. We greet you not only with the fragrance of flowers appearing across the land, but also with the wondrous demonstration of the resurrection, His descent into Hades, and His defeat of death. The resurrection of Jesus Christ represents for us all with a foretaste of eternal life. Faith is our great power and eternal love of God for humankind. It is simultaneous to the wondrous demonstration of the resurrection, His descent into Hades, and His defeat of death.

Today, the resurrection is: concrete, tangible, visible, an historic event that unfolded with great power and eternal love of God for humankind. It is simultaneous to the wondrous demonstration of the resurrection, His descent into Hades, and His defeat of death. Faith is our great power and eternal love of God for humankind.

Today, we are filled with joy, indeed: “no one will take our joy from us,” because more than ever once, the personal death of every single human being has been magnificently abolished; “the broken chains of Hades are raised; and the personal death of every single human being has been magnificently abolished; the chains of Hades have been broken; and our Lord Jesus Christ is Risen from the dead! As Saint Paul observed that in the community of Corinthians who were calling themselves Christian Jews, the body of Christ is dead because in the resurrection of the Lord He told them that there is no resurrection of the dead, so Christ too died not from the grave, but instead from the bonds of the grave. But Christ has not been raised, then our present form of life is hindered, is not a faith in you! If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.” (1 Corinthians 15:14-17).

In many ways, our contemporaries might shrug their shoulders at the resurrection. But the resurrection is an event of great importance. It is a victory of Jesus Christ over death, and of life with Him in His victory over death. It is a victory that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of a constant reality that assures us of
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Determined to Bring Home the Easter Light

By Areti Kearns

BY SATURDAY evening things were looking not so good. Torrents of rain, heavy snow, and winds were making the journey to Toronto for Easter extra challenging. My four-year-old daughter, my eleven-year-old son, my brother, and sister-in-law, and all of our nine other family members and friends planned to begin their journey to Toronto tomorrow, which was really early in April. The Easter candle had to arrive very early in April. The weather was cold and blustery; yet, somehow it had been bringing home the lit Easter candle from mid-February until Easter. This particular year, Easter arrived very early in April. The weather was cold and blustery; yet, somehow it had been bringing home the lit Easter candle from mid-February until Easter. This particular year, Easter arrived very early in April. The weather was cold and blustery; yet, somehow it had been bringing home the lit Easter candle from mid-February until Easter. This particular year, Easter arrived very early in April. The weather was cold and blustery; yet, somehow it had been bringing home the lit Easter candle from mid-February until Easter.

The day started out very early as my son Tempra drops. While I waited for his temperature to drop, I slowly started getting my daughter dressed in her new Easter dress. I had an old box of wooden matches saying, "Christos Anesti." I just stood there looking at it, my mouth open not comprehending what I had just read. I had accepted that I really was going to go out in a storm wearing white clothes. I was flabbergasted. I thought that renews your Faith, uplifts your Spirit and most Blessed Pascha.

My father sat beside his grand- daughter’s bed raising and lowering his head in the hope that I might see her by the time I was back home. "Ah, not so! It seemed to me that it was going to be a little more realistic with my miracles where my mother was concerned. Never did that happen. At least, not until after coming all this way and after having to stand outside waiting for the Christos Anesti. Unless you mean by taking this child to church and then watching the people get out of the church fast to catch a taxi before they were all taken. I almost thought I was going to cry. She was really winning this one out. My daughter being patience with us both, quietly grabbed the matches and put them in her little purse. I recovered sufficiently enough, kissed my mother and ran down the hall to the elevator making my way to the elders of the church ushering us to our destination. I was about to give up. God is a memory. The church was used to attend, which was our from our house, had burned down several years ago and had never been rebuilt. We had been going since then to Saint George’s Church but I had somehow totally forgotten how big it was. At this point I took a little money and now understood why my daughter was so worried. It made perfect sense. I was now feeling a cold dread of realization creeping in to my mind. I could pay the driver some money for the trouble and expectation of taking me to church and bring him home. The self-loathing, being, how will I explain this to my daughter? How could I look at my mother and admit that I was right, yet again, at my age (why was it so difficult, I have only just turned 17)? And finally the self-righteousness and on account that I believe they really are a miracle because I was not afraid to bring my daughter to church and have her hope and the belief of miracles in the face of adversity. When I thought of all the usual thoughts that went through my head. Apart from all the usual ones, the two images that kept re-occurring were the one day’s non- paper headline - MOTHER AND CHILD DRESSED IN WHITE FROZEN TO DEATH NEAR CHURCH. The other was a picture from an American magazine that showed the same her own candle. Within seconds both of them blessed and handed the candle to me. When I think of all the usual thoughts that went through my head. Apart from all the usual ones, the two images that kept re-occurring were the one day’s non- paper headline - MOTHER AND CHILD DRESSED IN WHITE FROZEN TO DEATH NEAR CHURCH. The other was a picture from an American magazine that showed the same

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Christos Anesti!

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Mr. George Andreas and his family extend their warm wishes to the management and staff of “The National Herald” to the entire Omogeneia and the Hellenes of the world for a Happy Easter.
Erasmus and the Greek Bible

By Dr. Gundi Harriss
Special to The National Herald

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A man who lived life as a model of Christian humility and deification in his personal and intellectual life, Erasmus was a giant in the world of Renaissance humanism. His influence was felt not only in the scholarly world but also in the everyday lives of men and women across Europe. Yet, his impact on the development of the Greek Bible was perhaps one of his most significant contributions to the field of New Testament studies.

Erasmus was a celebrated scholar and thinker, known for his dedication to classical studies and his critical approach to the works of the ancients. He was a pivotal figure in the Christian humanist movement, which sought to reconcile the Christian faith with the wisdom of the ancient world. Erasmus' concern for the accuracy and integrity of the biblical text was a driving force behind his work on the Greek New Testament.

In 1514, Erasmus was invited to Basle to meet with Johannes Froben, the printer. It was during this visit that Erasmus began to work on the Greek New Testament. He was driven by a desire to provide a more accurate and reliable text for scholars and for the general public. Erasmus' work on the Greek New Testament was not without its challenges, as the Greek manuscripts were scattered across Europe, and the task of assembling a complete and accurate text was immense.

Despite these challenges, Erasmus persevered, and in 1516, he published the first edition of the Greek New Testament. This edition was known as the Epiphanius text, and it set a new standard for the scholarly study of the New Testament.

In addition to his work on the Greek New Testament, Erasmus was also a prolific writer and scholar. He was a pioneer in the field of biblical criticism and was known for his contributions to the study of the Greek language and literature.

Erasmus' legacy continues to be felt today, as his work on the Greek New Testament and his contributions to the field of biblical studies have had a profound impact on the way we understand the New Testament and its place in the Christian tradition.

Today, Erasmus' work on the Greek New Testament serves as a reminder of the importance of critical scholarship and the need for a rigorous approach to the study of the biblical text. His dedication to accuracy and integrity continues to inspire scholars and students alike.

In conclusion, Erasmus' work on the Greek New Testament was a significant contribution to the field of biblical studies. His dedication to accuracy and integrity continues to inspire scholars and students alike, and his legacy serves as a reminder of the importance of critical scholarship and the need for a rigorous approach to the study of the biblical text.
Easter Recipes From Crete

By Diana Farr Louis

Easter........holidays. Cretans in a cheese binge over the pone cheese make fine substitutes. You won't be able to find out—there are meat dishes to be sure, but no one can achieve a similar result by using your local farmer's cheese, in Crete and in many areas of Greece. It is also important to note a lot of fresh mint. The filling

Kallitsounia paschalina

Tourta Paschalini (Chania)

Tourta Tsourekakia (Chania)

Easter cheese pies Kallitsounia psachalitika (Chania)

Easter biscuits Tsourekia (Heraklio)

Tsourekia (Heraklio)

Happy and Blessed Easter

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1/2 teaspoon salt

2 tablespoons olive oil

180 ml (3/4 cup) warm water

1/2 cup fresh mint leaves

1 egg

100 grams (3/4 cup) malaka or

200 grams (1 1/2 cup) anthotyro,

225 grams (1/2 lb) myzithra or ricotta

240 ml (1 cup) milk at room tem-

450 grams (1 lb) all purpose flour

3 tablespoons staka or mascarpone

2 1/2 tablespoons raki or vinegar

1 envelope baker's yeast

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1 teaspoon baking powder

2 tablespoons unsalted butter

350 grams (12 oz) fresh unsalted

on Easter Eve (well into Sunday by

the time one actually sits down at

the table).

These cheese tarts are among

Crete's best known pastries. You

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these tarts are a wonderful snack

for any time of day or they could be

enjoyed as a dessert. They are

made all over Greece but with ori-

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Easter in the Ionian Islands

By Diana Farr Louis

ARTER is the glorious beginning of the Orthodox Church. Midnight on Saturday is the hour that Christ is said to have come to a halt precisely at 3 pm, the streets behind a large crucifix and noon. They wind through the Christ’s entombment, the Corfiots or village in a reenactment of rest of the country waits for dusk to body loves one more than the differently, often to the beat kynthos and Corfu, do things some-

lamb-roasting party the next day, and relaxing into a bucolic described set of rituals beginning with E

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The lamb itself is eaten from the butcher’s to give them license to nibble on its occupants for the head of the household will make a smudgy cross on the lintel of the flickering. Once safely there, the cent procession has taken place, this time led by an icon of Christ. Traditions also govern, the corruption of the Easter lamb, but throughout Greece, with some variances. The Zakynthians, for example, make their lamb on the move to the oven, rather than in a spit in the courtyard. But brochure, more and more families have adopted the spit roasting, now lit as a spit in the courtyard. But brochures, more and more families have adopted the spit roasting, now lit as a spit in the courtyard. But brochures, more and more families have adopted the spit roasting, now lit as a spit in the courtyard. But brochures, more and more families have adopted the spit roasting, now lit as a spit in the courtyard. 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my family has always held the belief that Easter is a time for family and friends, for sharing food and traditions. Today, however, there are thousands of people every day, but traditions...not so much. Even with this annualising reasons to rejoice, it’s the food that becomes the excuse that brings us all together. This story is about the Easter feast of 1985.

My dad and whomever your unfortu-
nate soul could he it had recruited cradled out of bed at 5 a.m., in the morning and started the ritual roasting of the lamb. He had also fashioned a clever lamb-basting imp- lacement which involved a long, sturdy, steel rib with two prongs at the end, a hemp rope, a piece of white cotton broadcloth and some more of that handy recycled string from our eats.

The instructions were read- 

ned far in advance but everyone was instead. My mum, who is the social center of our world, is from Crete, the birthplace of Easter and half-man, half-halloween rite. In answer to our question "what's coming?" my mum begins to lose over a mouthwatering never-ending regime of names that sounds like page 428 of the phone directory. Anna, sarita, cresta, christina, nephews, nieces, formulas, neighbours, in our house, n-since we are cooking any-

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The weeks passed and finally it was

Easter as there are seemingly end-

cut our long, dark hair into the

longer, perfumed, spring flowers. Sat- 

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In the diminutive, these Easter biscuits contain the same ingredients: eggs, milk and butter, which in the wintertime are the only foodstuffs available. Yet, the beginning of Lent makes us think to the electric oven. There, soda pop and a bit of sugar are added to the batter, as well as a bit of orange or lemon flavoring. The result is a light and fluffy cake, which is easy to eat. This is the beginning of the Easter festivity. On the Sunday before Easter, the Easter candle is lit and the church is filled with the sounds of the organ, bells and choirs singing. The service is then followed by the blessing of the Easter table, which is set with white tablecloths, red napkins and a single white candle. The food is then served, and people eat until they are full. The next day, Palm Sunday, people go to church and receive the blessing of the palms. After the service, they bring their palms home and use them as a decoration. On Holy Saturday, people prepare the Easter eggs by boiling them in water and then painting them with special dyes. On Sunday morning, the Easter service begins with the chanting of the holy liturgy. The sermon is then followed by the blessing of the eggs, and people take them home to eat.

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Easter in the Byzantine court from one’s perspective is a momentous occasion. It is a time of celebration, but also of sacrifice. The wheel of fortune is a metaphor for life, and it is especially relevant in the context of Easter, which is a time of renewal and hope.

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An Easter Sunday approach

As Easter Sunday approaches, so we begin to think about the food that we will consume. Easter brings with it 24 hours of feasting. In Greece, it is followed by 8 days of feasting. In the community of Greek-Americans, the Easter feast can be more than an event; it is a tradition that is passed down from generation to generation.

Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday is a day of feasting and religious observance. It is a day that is celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm. Many families gather together to share a meal that is filled with love and happiness. The meal is usually served at noon, and it is a day that is filled with laughter and conversation.

Easter Sunday menu

The Easter Sunday menu typically includes roasted lamb, which is a symbol of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The lamb is usually served with rice and vegetables. There are also many other dishes that are served on this special day, such as roasted chicken, baked potatoes, and fresh vegetables.

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