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# Good News Department

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## Finding Faith Daily

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(NAPSA)—I remember a time when messages of faith truly came alive for me.

It was a snowy Sunday and I realized that many would not be able to make it to church because of the weather. As I walked up to the church entrance, I passed the Easter lilies that had been so carefully placed along the sidewalk. They were shrouded in snow, with the flowers thrusting through a mantle of white into the morning air.



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And the thought dawned on me that the lilies were rising out of the snow and showing beauty and vigor in spite of their circumstances. They proclaimed a clear message that all of us, in spite of our problems, pain and difficulties, can raise the triumphant shout of Easter throughout the year: Christ is Risen!

Faith is all about the proclamation of the eternal presence of the living Christ, the daily experience of a living hope. And, like on Easter, any day can offer a restart for all Christians and a time when we are ready for something new in our lives.

On that snowy day, the lilies were a profound symbol of resurrection for me. Like them, because of our risen Lord, we can bloom wherever we are.

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