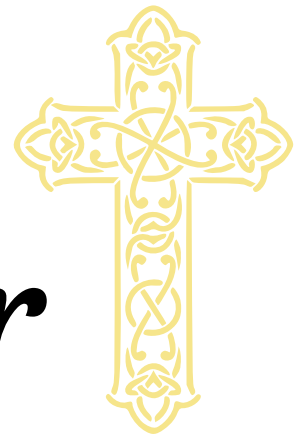




# Cards of Mercy: Easter



Cards of Mercy are a way to reach out to those in prison with messages of kindness and love. Students are asked to prepare cards for holidays throughout the year, which will be delivered to incarcerated individuals. This project is part of the Restorative Justice Ministry.

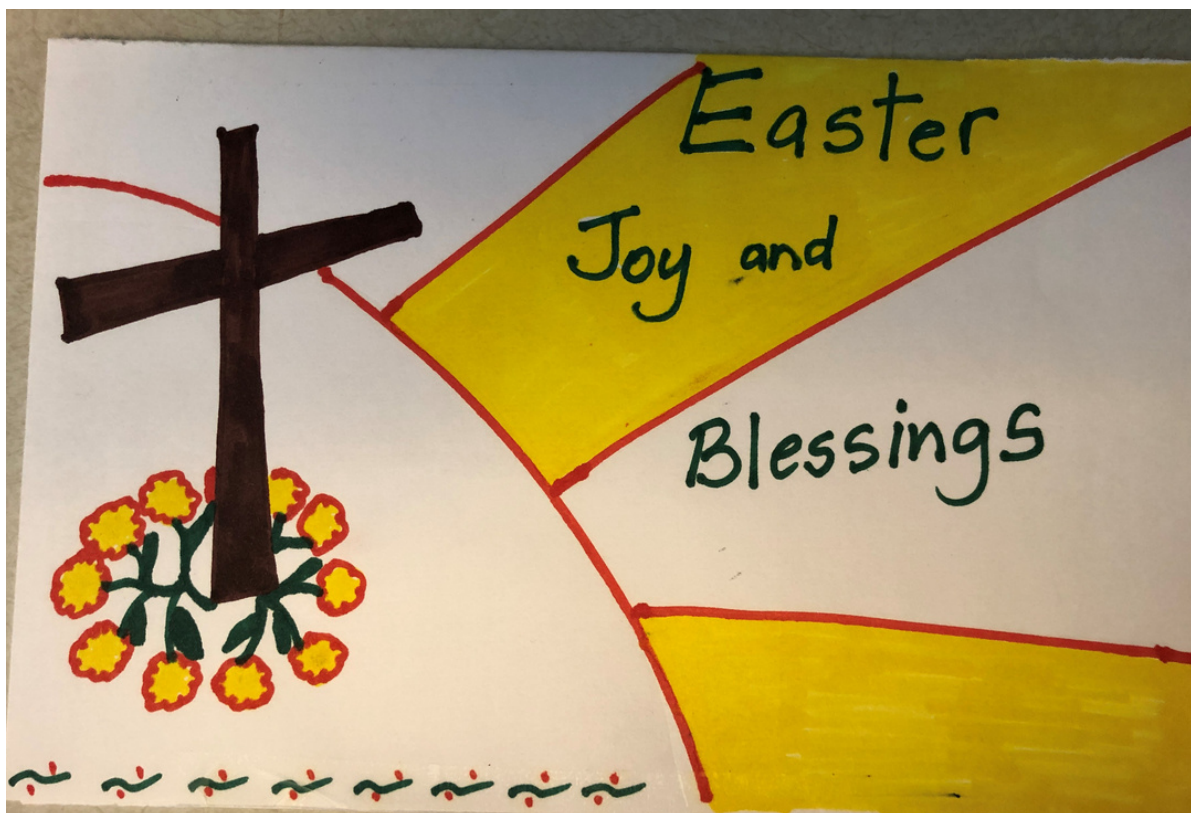
**Easter cards are due by April 13, 2022.** Cards should be sent to the Chancery (1 Peter Yorke Way, San Francisco, CA 94109). These can be mailed or delivered in person. Any questions, contact Julio Escobar by email at [escobarj@sfarch.org](mailto:escobarj@sfarch.org) or by phone at (415) 614-5572.

## Front Page

For the front page of the card, you will draw a colorful design to represent the holiday.

## Back Page

The back page should be left blank.



# Inside Top

Choose a scripture verse or thoughtful holiday-themed message. You may use the ideas below as inspiration or choose your own.

- "He is not here, but he has been raised." - Luke 24:6
- "We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him." -Romans 6:9
- "With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all." -Acts 4:33
- "But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us." -Romans 5:8
- "See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God." -1 John 3:1
- "As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our sins from us." -Psalm 103:12
- "They that hope in the Lord will renew their strength, they will soar on eagles' wings; they will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint." -Isaiah 40:31
- "Do not fear, for I am with you." -Genesis 26:24
- Happy Easter! Hope it brings you lots of fun, love, and joy!
- Enjoy a hopping good time this Easter.
- Some-bunny loves you. Happy Easter!
- Why shouldn't you tell jokes to an Easter egg? I might crack up!
- Happy Easter! May this day be as special and wonderful as you are.
- Wishing you hope during this Easter season.
- You deserve nothing but happiness to bloom all year.

# Inside Bottom

On the bottom of the inside page, each student should write a personalized message to the incarcerated person.

The greeting should say something like, "Dear Friend" or "Dear Brother or Sister". This message can be religious or secular, but should be optimistic and cheerful. It can express holiday-related messages, as well as general encouragement.

The goal is to spread love and the joy of Easter.

The card can be signed with a student's first name and grade, with a closing such as "Love, Kayla, a 9th Grade Student". The last name should not be included.

