

PRAYER FOR EASTER

Lord,

The lilies are blooming in the fields, the hyacinths sway in the breeze,

All of nature knows the greatness of this time.

From the frozen winter, life blossoms forth,

Shedding the harsh cloth of snow.

Paradise has kissed the earth, so all can know the beauty of this time.

The stone is rolled from the tomb, death that we once knew is gone
forever.

We are not born to die, we are born for eternal life.

With death comes not the dark but the beauty of the Easter light.

May I see in Easter time the promise of eternal life

In every flowing stream, in every sunlight beam, in every field of green.

In every evening sky, in every bird that flies, in every child that cries, in every
living thing, your Easter presence.

Lord, roll away the stone from broken empty lives, from greed, from hate,
from lies, from hearts trapped within the darkest night of nights for all who
live without a life.

Let me run to the tomb before the sun's rise, let my heart know surprise to
see before these eyes, the folded cloths, the shroud of suffering, replaced
by translucent beauty.

Give me the joy of Magdalene, the first from history, to reveal the mystery
of your resurrection.

May her words re-echo as once she said

that you are risen from the dead.

Yes, Christ is truly risen from the dead!