

My dear children: may Jesus watch over my daughters and sons for me!

During this Easter season, we are celebrating the great reason for our joy: Christ is risen! Each of us will also have other reasons to be joyful: feeling loved and understood by those close to us, a family celebration, a success at work, relatives who manage to overcome some difficulties, etc. All these things, both big and small, and so often mixed with human limitations and suffering, are a gift from God and show us that the closeness of the Risen Christ in our lives is also evident in the good that we do or that happens to us.

Let us recall these moments with gratitude, including when any sadness tries to enter our soul. Our Lady, whom we acknowledge as cause of our joy, will help us to be happy and to be, as Saint Josemaría wanted, “sowers of peace and joy.”

Your Father blesses you with all his affection,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Leonardo". The script is cursive and fluid.

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