



Excerpt from *Christ Our Pascha*

Kerygma (Proclamation) and Catechesis

The holy apostle Paul teaches that our faith in God and his revelation is born as a response to the Word that is heard (see *Rom 10:17*). Therefore, the Church from the very beginning, as we read in the Acts of the Apostles, proclaimed the risen Christ (in Greek, kerygma) and taught the faith (in Greek, *katekchesis*; see *Acts 2:14-41*). Kerygma is the proclamation of the Paschal event of the Death and Resurrection of Christ, manifested in the witness of the life of a Christian community. Kerygma is united with the call to believe in Jesus Christ. Faith leads to conversion, reception of Baptism, and readiness to follow Christ: “In this do I believe and will not be ashamed; before the nations I will profess this faith, for its profession I will lay down my life.” (#53)