



Excerpt from *Christ Our Pascha*

The Freedom of the Creator

Holy Scripture begins the account of the creation of the world with these words: “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth” (Gen1:1). God was, is, and remains always “in the beginning” of everything created, and all that comes forth in time. The evangelist John writes about God as the beginning of everything: “ ‘I am the Alpha and the Omega,’ says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty” (Rev 1:8). St. Irenaeus of Lyons writes that all things came forth from the hands of God, by the Word and the Holy Spirit. (#103)