



Excerpt from *Christ Our Pascha*

### *Humankind – the Crown of Creation*

“Lord,...what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? Yet you made him a little less than God, and crown him with glory and honor. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet” (*Ps* 8:4-6). With these words Holy Scripture extols humankind. The Lord God set humanity to govern creation: “Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth” (*Gen* 1:26). (#118)