

EASTER 2021



Magyar Posta is celebrating Christianity's most important feast, Easter, by issuing a definitive stamp. This year the self-adhesive stamp with no value indication bearing the inscription "Domestic" and the first day cover show a detail of the painting by Alvaro Pirez *Risen Christ*. The stamp was designed by the graphic artist Barnabás Baticz and produced at Codex Értékpapírnyomda Zrt. The new issue is available from Filaposta, philately specialist services, certain post offices and www.posta.hu.

Easter is the celebration of the death and resurrection of Christ, the redemption of man. According to the Bible, Jesus Christ was nailed to the cross on Friday and on the third day, Sunday, he rose again from the dead. As he died sinless, God forgave mankind all their sins, in other words Christ triumphed over death through resurrection. Christ's sacrifice, his crucifixion and resurrection, has inspired countless artists.

Alvaro Pirez (Alvaro Pirez d'Évora), the first known Portuguese painter, was born before 1411 and died after 1434. He is known for his religious paintings. His work was characterised by striking colours, which is also conspicuous in the detail of his painting *Risen Christ* appearing on the Easter stamp. As a special feature of the stamp, the halo of Christ shines under UV light. On the first day cover a larger area of the painting is shown and the special postmark is a graphic transcription of the hand gesture depicted in the painting.

Order code:

2021050010031 (stamp)
2021050060032 (FDC)
2021050040031 (sheet of 50 stamps)

Issued on: 8 March 2021

Face value/selling price: Domestic
(On the date of issue equivalent to postage of HUF 145 paying for a domestic non-priority letter up to 50 g, or a postcard or picture postcard.)

Printing technique: flexographic + UV

Number of copies: 350,000 stamps
(50 stamps + 10 barcodes/sheet) – reprintable dependent on demand

Perforated size: 26 x 33 mm

Paper type: Raflacoat FSC special stamp paper without optical whitener

Printed by:
Codex Értékpapírnyomda Zrt.

Designed by Barnabás Baticz

Source: Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest