



St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Community

Reflections with Fr. Mark

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Dear Parishioners,

Today, we continue the journey as we “listen” and **hear** the Word! We meet the Ethiopian eunuch who was “open” to hearing God’s Word in Scripture and hearing about Christ from Philip. Our faith journey consists of being “open” to growing in Christ and learning about Him. So often when we hear something about someone, we can put that person in a box and shelf that understanding as their defining moment in the card catalogue of our human memory. How sad that is.... because that never allows growth to take place and we are ever beholden to that limited view or partial experience. What if we do that with our understanding of Christ? OMG! Maybe we do! And, for that reason we never grow into an adult relationship with Him and are forever beholden to a childlike, or worse yet, a childish spirituality.

Yesterday, we learned that obedience is to listen to or **hear** (*the Wisdom*). When we allow Christ to walk with us our *hearts burn within us as He breaks open the Word (of God) and breaks the bread*. Our spiritual hunger is fed by this presence and nourishes us along the journey as we contemplate this loving relationship. God fed the Israelites in their isolation in the desert for 40 years; and, God feeds us with the Bread of Life, satisfying our hungry souls. In our current reality and desert of confinement, we most certainly turn to the nourishment of the Word in our presence. Our Easter journey is a microcosm of the pilgrimage of our life in faith as we live on the road of this “earthly” Emmaus. And, Jesus walks with us! Wow!

Our journey continues.... come, to know HIM!

Happy Easter! He is Risen! Alleluia!

Fr. Mark

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