

**FR.TK. REFLECTIONS CORPUS CHRISTI-YEAR A 2023.**

**CHRIST THE BREAD OF LIFE.**

Today we celebrate great mystery of our faith, this is the mystery of **corpus Christ, the BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**, our spiritual nourishment.

Jesus couldn't give anything better than himself to the people he loved when he was leaving this world except himself!

**Take this all of you and eat of it THIS IS MY BODY!**

**Take this all of you and drink of it THIS IS MY OF BLOOD!**

These are real words of our Lord hence Eucharist is the real body and blood of our Lord hence ***he is present in Eucharist.***

He is telling us today ,I am the living bread which has come down from heaven and the one who eat this bread **will live for ever and the bread I shall give is my flesh(Jn.6:51-56).**

**Jesus** is present in us in so many ways in our life's:

-where two or three are gathered in my name I will be in their midst.

-He is present in his word.

-He is present in the works of Mercy(whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sister you do it unto me.

-He is present in the sufferings(Saul,saul ,why are you persecuting me.

-Above all Jesus is present in Eucharist, this is my Body this is my blood. Let **your spirit come upon these gifts that they may become for us the Body and the Blood of our lord Jesus Christ.**

In all these moments of Christ presence doesn't depend on **our moods, feelings, holiness faith or our dispositions HE IS PRESENT!**

**He** gives himself to all regardless of the **color, language, country, culture, Political affiliation.**

He will always identify our needs in all circumstances we are in and address them accordingly thus giving us the bread we need that time.

God gave **manna** to the Israelites on transit to the promised land(Det.8.2-3) and guided them protecting them in the desert.

Jesus gave us **Eucharist as the bread of life on our journey here on earth.** He too supplied other bread to nourish other hunger.

-In the desert he fed those who followed him with the real bread.

-To the leper whose body was falling apart gave the bread of physical **healing.**

-Mary magdalena the public sinner given the **bread of forgiveness and acceptance.**

-The lonely women at the Jacob's well(Lovers well) given the **bread of human kindness to satisfy her hunger for love.**

-The rejects he gave them the **bread of company thus satisfying them the hunger of self worthy.**

-The naim widower who was burying her only son,mary and martha who had lost their brother Lazarus were give **bread of sympathy by his presence.**

-The thief on the cross was given the bread of reconciliation that **last moment.Christ** in all moments will give us the bread we need.

Note the fact that not all who accepted these invitations during his time here on earth.The **rich young man was invited to be a disciple but refused due to earthy materials,**these are too tempting in our present society how do we relate with materialism?

Pilate rejected the bread of truth due to power,the Pharisees and the scribes refused the bread of conversion.

**HOW DO WE RESPOND TO HIS INVITATION TODAY?**