



## St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic Community

### Reflections with Fr. Mark

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Dear Parishioners,

In the Gospel reading today Jesus fed the hungry. How ironic that we should hear this story amid this time of being without our Eucharistic gathering as a community. We long to gather around our Eucharistic table in a physical way, rather than just a spiritual way. In my online meetings throughout each week we discuss how the Church can minister or “feed the people” in this awkward time of pandemic. Yet, God provides always just as God has always fed the people throughout the ages.

Jesus is always filled with love and compassion for the “hungry.” Jesus is feeding you where you are these days. He is the one helping you in your isolation. He is the one raising your minds from anxiety. He is the one feeding your soul in prayerful pleas. Truly, I believe in the wonderful ways God is working through this time if we are open to letting our “self” go and the ego pass away. There is always a great danger in Church life when personalities reign larger than the Lord and what the Lord accomplishes. We are called to hunger for the true food which **IS** a humble relationship with the Lord. Let us feast on **HIS** presence in our daily journey today and recognize Him.

As we prepare for another weekend apart, I invite you to long for the satisfaction of being blessed in His presence, near and far. Pray for those who are ailing and sick. Remember those who have gone Home. Offer up yourself as His instrument to be used for His will. *And, as always, we continue the journey...*

This weekend, after we conclude Mass, we will have our Fiesta Grand Prize Raffle Drawing. Please tune in to see who wins this year’s raffle. Thank you for all who participated in our fundraiser and congratulations will go to our winners.

*Happy Easter! He is Risen! Alleluia!*

*Fr. Mark*

**Watch Sunday Mass from St. Luke at Home:** The recordings are available on our Parish website, [www.stluketemplecity.org](http://www.stluketemplecity.org), and sent through our e-communications. The services will remain posted so you may view at your convenience.

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