



## XVII Sunday of the TO July 28'24 - Cycle B



### **BREAD, LOVE AND JOY**



#### **SETTING**

Come with me, be with me, be authentic witnesses. Feel confident, be silent, look, observe and let yourself be enveloped by the transcendent, by the sense of a reference group and belonging, that humanity that surrounds you and that also needs you.

Prepare to listen to the Word, to internalize it and above all to make it life, that is the beginning and end, life; that life populated by infinity, enriched by the creator.

Bring people and situations to your heart and let the best feelings emerge in you, of care, of endearing listening, of free gestures not conditioned by anything, only enriched by the love that helps us to be better people in service and dedication. .

May the Lord give the word and your the gestures.

#### **SINGING. FIVE LOAVES AND TWO FISH - YOUNG EASTER**

<https://youtu.be/Xu4gI2NxT8I?si=-Xq38L5XSDSoYIF8>

## **GOSPEL – John 6, 1 – 15, July 28, 2024**

«After this, Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, the Sea of Tiberias, and many people followed him because they saw the signs he performed on the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat there in the company of his disciples. Passover, the Jewish festival, was approaching. When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that many people were coming towards him, he said to Philip: "Where are we going to buy bread so that these may eat?" I was telling him to test him, because he knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him: "Two hundred denarii of bread are not enough for each one to take a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him: "Here is a boy who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that for so many? Jesus said: "Make the people lie down." There was a lot of grass in the place. So the men, numbering about 5,000, sat down. Jesus then took the loaves and, after giving thanks, distributed them among those who were reclining, as well as the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he said to his disciples: "Gather up the remaining pieces so that nothing is lost." So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves that were left over from those who had eaten. When the people saw the sign he had performed, they said, "This is truly the prophet who was going to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were trying to come and take him by force to make him king, he fled back to the mountain alone.

### **To deepen, today, the Word of God (*Marie-Noëlle THABUT*)**

The **Second Book of Kings 4, 42 – 44** tells us that Elisha is the successor of the great prophet Elijah, his spiritual son. Today, let's look at the multiplication of the loaves that is presented to us in the first reading. Once again, Elisha acts in a context of poverty. How to feed a hundred people with twenty barley loaves? But faith, true faith, is tenacious: without forsaking and without changing a single word, in fact, Elisha repeats "Give them to all those people so that they may eat"; However, this time, Elisha explains: "Thus says the LORD: It will be eaten and there will be left over." The servant only has to obey, because, visibly, Elisha does not draw his audacity from himself.

You couldn't find anything better than **the Psalm 114/145** As an echo of this Sunday's first reading! The prophet Elisha multiplying the loaves in a period of famine had been the instrument of God's goodness: «You open your hand; You satisfy with goodness everything that lives. "THE LORD is near to those who call on him, to all those who truly call on him." This psalm is the cry of recognition of thanksgiving.

**Ephesians 4:1-6** tells us that Paul is in prison, probably in Rome, and that he knows that everything is not going as it should among the Christians of his community in Ephesus. For this reason Paul insists so much in today's text on

the unity of faith, of hope, of love! «Your vocation has called you all to one hope... there is only one Body and one only Spirit. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all.

The reaction of the masses, after the multiplication of the loaves recounted in the Gospel of **John 6:1-15**, expresses the effervescence that reigned in Palestine at the time of Jesus since the Messiah was eagerly awaited: for this reason, When you see Jesus healing the sick, you follow him without problem. Juan tells how: "The masses followed him, because they had seen the signs he performed healing the sick." For now, Jesus leads the masses towards the mountain. Jesus begins by asking Philip, one of the Twelve: "Where could we buy bread so that they may have food?" And Andrew adds: "Here is a young boy who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what is this to feed this whole world!" At this point, John changes his tone: "Then Jesus took the loaves and, after giving thanks, distributed them." Here you can recognize, without difficulty, the words of the Supper. It is true that John does not relate anywhere the Institution of the Eucharist, he replaces it with the washing of the feet, Jn 13; but here, visibly, he refers to that event: the Christians to whom he addresses quickly understand that the miracle of the loaves, on the small mountain of Galilee, is the sign of the Eucharist banquet that they celebrate, every Sunday, after the Resurrection of Christ.

### Clues to internalize the text

- Jesus fled to the mountain when they wanted to make him king. What does this reaction mean in your opinion?
- Felipe does not find an answer to give food, Jesus has it, how do you live trust in the action of Jesus?
- What words do you find in this text for your community, your parish...?



**AMBIENTAL MUSIC.**

**ONE BIG HOPE EHREN STARKS**

<https://youtu.be/WipU6HWyv9Q?si=MNrLXCpk7yTyc7pN>

## THE MULTIPLICATION

How grace grows,  
how the gift expands,  
how the stars shine,  
how the sun looks  
how life multiplies  
in total delivery.  
how good we  
makes it grow, in the look,  
in listening,  
in the simple gesture.  
Like in dreams  
love is drawn and  
grace is experienced,  
how open to the Word,  
we become more sensitive,  
we generate good feelings,  
we express words pretty,  
In form and content  
we are deeper  
and we discover the focus,  
the important things.  
The Kingdom moves us  
to be bread for the  
that they are hungry.  
The Kingdom moves us  
to be water that satisfies  
thirst.  
The Kingdom moves us to  
not stay still,  
paralyzed and absorbed  
in useless nonsense,  
The Kingdom moves us  
to the need, the injustice,  
before the discard,

the negation,  
in the face of inconsideration  
of those who are not...  
The Kingdom moves us to  
vibrate with the simple life,  
to be generous,  
to be kind,  
to be together with others,  
to bet on the little ones.  
The Kingdom moves us to  
wake up from sleep  
of comfort,  
of security,  
and go out to the streets,  
and go out on the roads,  
and to get closer to those  
who are far away,  
where to be a word,  
hope.  
The Kingdom moves us to  
breathe the simple breath,  
to give of what we are,  
to do some in  
new options,  
open, committed,  
in a decent future,  
human, of brothers  
who live in the house  
of everyone.  
I am bread and I am fish.  
May everything in me be and  
delivery is made in  
Kingdom of the just,  
In the Kingdom of all.

**SINGING. GIVE THEM TO EAT - SALOMÉ ARRICIBITA**

<https://youtu.be/XczqP1C9E5o?si=wfp8ObldYYYyNRLU>



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