

Reflection Easter Wednesday 2022

Miracles, recognising Jesus in the breaking of bread, hearts burning within us; so much happening and all bearing witness to the presence of Christ. Christ present in the spoken word, in companionship on the journey, in the healing miracle, in the eucharist. All give testimony to the many ways in which Christ is present to us on our journey of faith. The Easter season offers an opportunity to improve our sensitivity to Jesus' presence and acknowledge that *we never walk alone!*

Tourist or Pilgrim? by Macrina Wiederkehr

I stand at the edge of myself and wonder:
Where is home? Oh! Where is the place
where beauty will last? When will I be safe? And where?
My tourist heart is wearing me out. I am so tired of seeking
for treasures that tarnish. How much longer, Lord?
Oh! Which is the way home?
My luggage is heavy. It is weighing me down
I am hungry for the Holy Ground of home.
Then suddenly, overpowering me with the truth,
a voice within me gently says:
'There is a power in you, a truth in you
that has not yet been tapped.
You are blinded with a blindness that is deep,
for you have not loved the pilgrim in you yet.
There is a road that runs straight through your heart.
Walk on it!'
To be a pilgrim means to be on the move, slowly,
to notice your luggage becoming lighter,
to seek for treasures that do not rust
to be comfortable with your heart's questions,
to be moving toward the Holy Ground of home with empty hands and bare feet.
And yet, you cannot reach that home until you have loved the pilgrim in you.
One must be comfortable as a pilgrim before one's feet can touch the homeland.
Do you want to go home?
There's a road that runs straight through your heart.
Walk on it!