

Eucharistic Homily

John 20:19-31

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If you're like me, there are times when you think about how easy the disciples had it. Thomas demanded to see the risen Jesus, and He got exactly what He asked for. Jesus entered the room and invited Thomas to touch His wounded body and see the glorified scars of His suffering. John tells us that he got to see with his own eyes and touch with his own hands the Word of life—God in the flesh.

We may be tempted to feel sorry for ourselves—like we've been shortchanged. But we dare not forget the promise of Jesus to be with us when we gather in His name.

Every Lord's Day, Jesus comes among us to bless us with His peace and bestow upon us His Spirit. Every Lord's Day, Jesus enters the brokenness of our lives to bring forgiveness and restoration. Every Lord's Day, Jesus invites us not simply to touch his broken body but to eat it by faith!

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe. Blessed are those who receive the body and blood of Jesus by faith.

If you've been baptized into Christ and are seeking to live faithfully and obediently for Him, you are welcome to this feast that Christ Jesus has prepared for us. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

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