

REFLECTION: WEDNESDAY OF EASTER WEEK.

Luke 24:13-35

On the road to Emmaus they gain a new understanding of Christ

The Emmaus story is a living parable for Christian discipleship. It suggests that if we travel life's journey in company with others, sharing our faith and doubts with them, Christ will be walking beside us, opening our minds to his saving truth. Just as he gave understanding to the two on the road to Emmaus, so he does for all who take time to listen to him.

Spiritually, we are all on an Emmaus journey, a pilgrimage of faith. We may be perplexed by some of the things that happen to us, maybe the loss of a job, a career failure, even the collapse of a relationship or being let down by friends. We are rightly troubled by new viruses spreading in our world, by the injustices in society, climate change and the ongoing destruction of the environment. When so much of the outlook seems gloomy we may feel as helpless and downcast as those two disciples on the road. Like them, we need the light that Christ offers. When we cannot make sense of things we need to lean on him for support. We need to search the Scriptures together and enjoy his company in the breaking of bread. And then we can go out and share his good news with others.