



Dear ...

I'm writing to invite you to my party on Sunday. It's been a while since we saw each other, and so I'm really looking forward to seeing you again. Then we can finally get together and have a good chat, I hope.

I know the music won't be altogether your taste, but I have promised Johann Sebastian that he can be the DJ this time. You know what he's like. But all the same, I'm sure you'll be ok with it in the end.

Incidentally, Marcel is coming too. I know you don't get on with him, but I really like him. It's just that sometimes he can be a little, well, you know what I mean... Besides, you don't have to talk to him.

Anyway, I'm really looking forward to it, if you can make it.

Your Friend,

Jesus

P.S. I've also got something important to tell you, by the way! :)

More on Sunday!

Ready-made excuses:

The music isn't cool.

Marcel is coming too. I can't stand being in the same room with him.

Sorry, can't do Sundays, as I'll be watching TV.

I spoke to you on the phone just last week; what's the point of my coming to the party!

You should have had the party in the forest. Then I'd have come.

I was at the party last year—surely that must be enough?

The party is simply too early for me—couldn't you make it a bit later?

Where is Jesus?

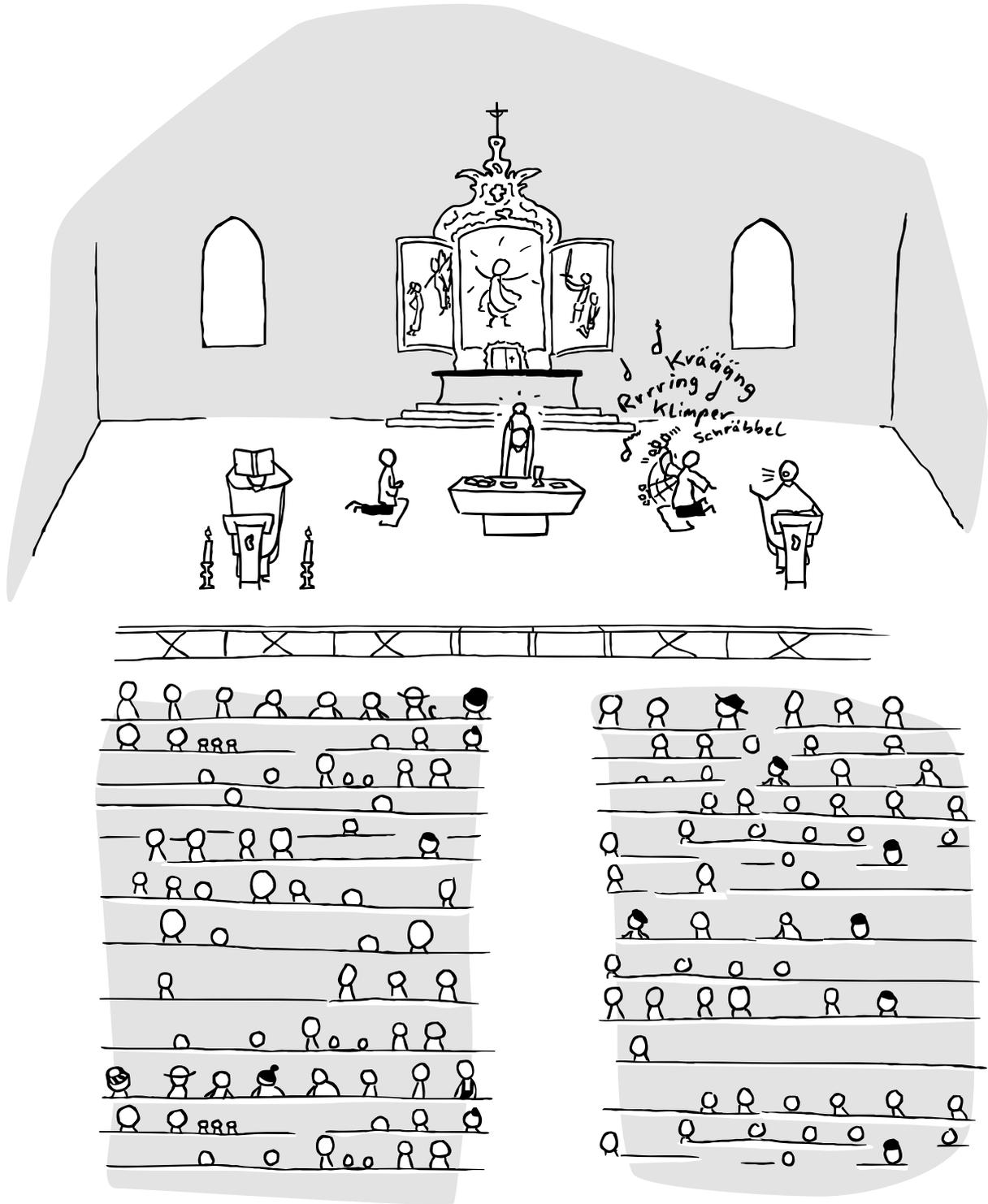


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“For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

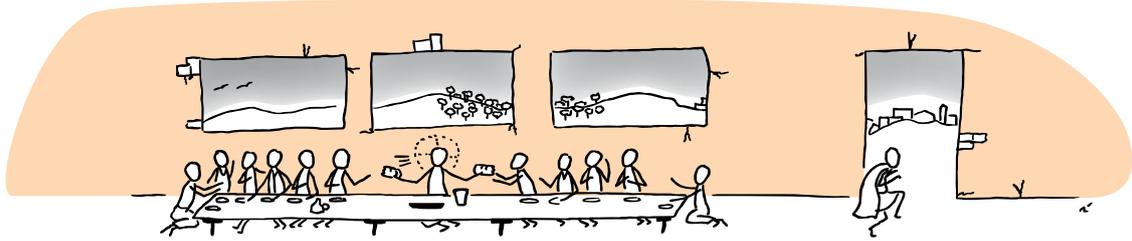
 → Mt 18:20

Jesus “is present in His word, since it is He Himself who speaks when the holy scriptures are read in the Church.”

→ Second Vatican Council

“And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, ‘This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ And likewise the chalice after supper, saying, ‘This chalice which is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.’ ”

 → Lk 22:19–20



Jesus celebrates the Last Supper with his disciples

Lk 22:14–20

What surprised you most in the account of the Last Supper?

- 🔥 That Jesus had been looking forward to celebrating with his disciples.
- 🔥 That Jesus knew he was going to suffer and die.
- 🔥 That Jesus expressly commanded his disciples to commemorate this feast in his memory.
- 🔥 That the broken bread is meant to be his Body.

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What seems to you to be especially important in this short account?

- 🔥 That Jesus had been looking forward to celebrating with his disciples.
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What does this text mean to you personally?

- 🔥 Jesus is also looking forward to celebrating with me.
- 🔥 The Mass was personally instituted by Jesus (“Do this in memory of me”).
- 🔥 I can be truly close to Jesus in Holy Communion, because the bread has really been changed into his Body.
- 🔥 Nothing. It all happened 2,000 years ago and is over and done with.

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