Eucharistic banner design activity

Enlarge and copy the extracts below three times, cut out and scatter around the space. A banner is needed to hang behind the altar in a new church. Groups must compose one sentence to appear on the banner that will inspire people to live out the Eucharist when they leave Mass. Each group can select three extracts to help them; they must use aspects of these extracts in their sentence. As a class, choose the best sentence, with reasons.

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| When you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; then you will be blessed, for they have no means to repay you.  Luke 14:12-24 | Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves he handed them to his disciples, who gave them to the crowds.  Matthew 14:19 |
| For I was hungry and you gave me to eat...  in so far as you did this to one of the least  of my brothers and sisters, you did it to me.  Matthew 25:40 | The Eucharist compels all who believe in Christ  to become ‘bread that is broken’ for others.  Pope Benedict XVI, Sacramentum Caritatis, 88 |
| On this mountain, for all peoples,  the Lord is preparing a banquet of rich food,  a banquet of fine wines, of succulent food,  of well-strained wines.  Isaiah 25:6 | When her mother reproached her for caring  for the poor and the sick at home,  St. Rose of Lima said to her: "When we serve  the poor and the sick, we serve Jesus.”  Catechism 2449 |
| To receive in truth the Body and Blood of Christ given up for us, we must recognise Christ  in the poorest...  Catechism 1397 | He took the bread and said the blessing; then  he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were open and they recognised him.  Luke 24:30-31 |
| In the Eucharist the Lord makes us walk on his road, that of service, of sharing, of giving.  Pope Francis, 30 May 2013 | He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood  lives in me and I live in him.  John 6:56 |
| Through Christ the Mediator, they should be  drawn day by day into ever more perfect union  with God and with each other,  so that finally God may be all in all.  Vatican II, SC, 48 | Grant to all who partake of this one Bread  and one Chalice that, gathered into one body  by the Holy Spirit, they may truly  become a living sacrifice in Christ…”  Eucharistic Prayer IV |
| We should all ask ourselves before the Lord:  how do I live the Eucharist?  Pope Francis, 30 May 2013 | Jesus speaks in silence in the Mystery of the Eucharist. He reminds us that following him means… not making our life a possession of our own, but rather a gift to him and to others.  Pope Francis, 30 May 2013 |
| Give us each day our daily bread.  Luke 11:3 |
| Those who are oppressed by poverty are the object of a preferential love on the part of the Church.  Catechism 2448 | You have tasted the Blood of the Lord, yet  you do not recognise your brother... You  dishonour this table when you do not judge  worthy of sharing your food someone  judged worthy to take part in this meal.  St John Chrysostom |
| Jesus replied, “There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.”  Matthew 14:13 |

Challenge pupils to consider how they will fulfil their own Eucharistic calling to be bread broken and shared. If this unit is being studied during Lent, see CAFOD’s website for Lenten resources for secondary schools for ideas.