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Staying Connected while Physically Distant

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He loves me by my name

He told me everything I've ever done.
So said the Samaritan woman,
the one who found Jesus by Jacob's well.
I had a bucket to draw water,
she said, while he sat bereft in the sun.
At first, the Jew asked me for a drink;
imagine – me, a Samaritan,
not to mention an unmarried woman!
But somehow he knew that and much
more, for it became clear he was a
prophet and not only that – the Messiah!

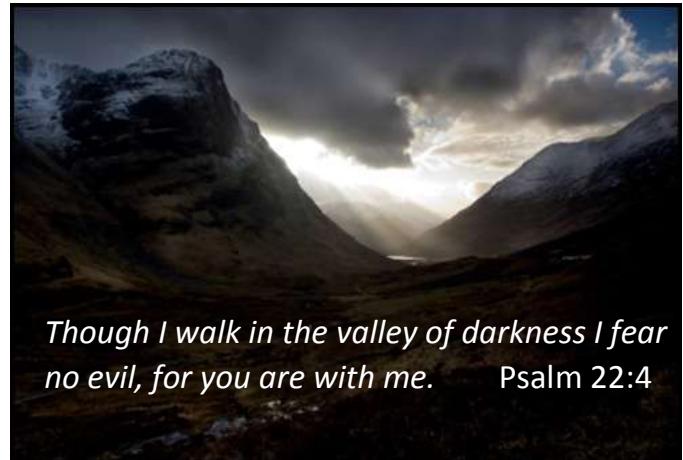
He promised everyone living water
unlike any that had flowed before.
He spoke of the spring of life eternal
and as he did, I could feel it gush
from him to me since he possesses a heart
that is unlike that of any man –
for it is so feminine and gentle.
And when he described worshipping God
in spirit and truth, I felt he understood
my need to be one with the divine.

There are many who will hear my story,
yet few will truly know who I am.
If I live in ignominy or fame,
it matters not because my Saviour
has now shed his blood on the Cross for
me, and I know he loves me by my name.
by Shane Murtagh

*In working for God we
must have little trials*

(Mary MacKillop 1871)

Today's Gospel John 8:1-11



Though I walk in the valley of darkness I fear no evil, for you are with me. Psalm 22:4

Sayings of Mary MacKillop

Land of the “fair go”?

It is an Australian who writes this (1873)

Mary was one of those pioneers who helped to build our traditions and our heritage in this great South Land. She wrote these words to help Roman authorities understand the needs of the poor in outback Australia. As she explained, ***The good of Australian children is alone what we seek (1873)***

Today in this country of hopes and dreams, she still says to us, ***Let us, one and all, try to remember why God called us here (1878).***

Isn't it so that we, too, can respond by ***building a bridge to our fellow Aussies who need a helping hand*** – especially the young and the battlers? ***What is mateship*** unless it's based on true justice and equality for all?

Making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Eph 4:3)

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May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved.....Forever!