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Fr Emanuel gave the following explanation to the painting: "The painting, called "This is my body" is inspired by the Lord's last Supper and Mt 25,45: "what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me". Christ breaks the Bread which is his sacramental body. All the persons sitting at his table are also his true body. It is not difficult to associate a hungry child with the image of Christ. Not so easy to associate a soldier or a militant rebel. For me all of them are the "poor ones" to whom the liberation of the Kingdom of God is primarily addressed."