

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

They're shunning public transport, Father.

There is risk on the trains and buses,
Risk of infection from a random stranger,
Seated uncomfortably close.
So they travel in cars,
 safe,
 alone.

I understand, Father.
Sometimes I use public transport,
Sometimes I prefer my car.
Even beyond Covid,
There are many reasons
 why I choose to travel alone;
There are many reasons
 why I choose to travel with others;
But there is never a reason to travel
Without you.

Calling the crowd to join his disciples, he said, 'Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how. Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to saving yourself, your true self.'
(Mark 8: 34–35, MSG)