

My Holy Day Mass Page

Thursday, 25 March 2027 · John 13:1-15



1 Today's Gospel

The Last Supper: Jesus Kneels to Wash Feet

It was just before the Passover feast. Jesus knew His hour had come to return to the Father. He had **loved** His own, and He loved them to the end. During **supper**, He got up, tied a **towel** around His waist, poured water into a basin and began to wash His disciples' feet, a servant's job.

Peter said, "Lord, are You going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered, "**You do not know now what I am doing, but later you will understand.**" Peter said, "You will never wash my feet!" Jesus replied, "**If I do not wash you, you can have no share with Me.**" So Peter cried, "Then my hands and my head as well!"

Afterwards Jesus said, "**If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you should wash each other's feet. I have given you an example.**" The Son of God knelt down to **serve**. That same night He gave us the Eucharist, His own Body and Blood. True greatness is humble love, and Jesus gives us the strength to love like Him.

Big idea! Jesus loved us **to the end**, and asks us to follow His example by **serving one another**.

Listen at Mass: In the Psalm we sing "*The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ.*" Watch for the priest washing people's feet, just like Jesus!

Go deeper: Read John 13:34-35, Jesus' new commandment of love. The Catechism links the foot-washing and the Eucharist (CCC 1337).

2 Think It Through

Answer in a sentence or two.

1. What did Jesus do, and why was Peter surprised?

2. Why did Jesus, our Lord, do a servant's job?

3. What humble job could you do at home this week?

3 My Prayer

Thank Jesus for His love and the gift of the Eucharist, and ask Him to help you serve someone.

Dear Lord Jesus,

4 Follow His Example

Draw Jesus serving at the Last Supper, then yourself serving someone like Him.

Ideas: the basin and towel · the bread and cup · washing up after dinner · tidying a sibling's toys · helping Grandma

Jesus served by...

I will serve by...

"I have given you an example, so that you also should do as I have done to you." **John 13:15**