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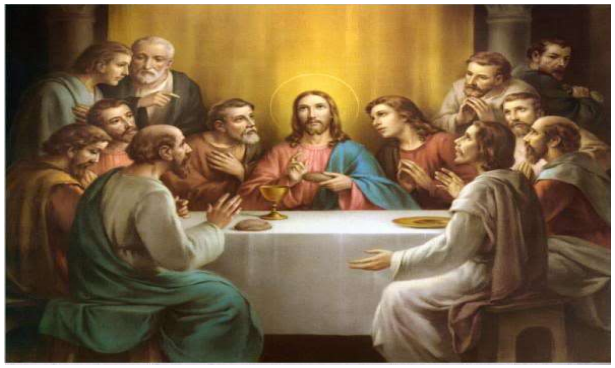

THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER < C
[HOLY THURSDAY]

April 17, 2025
(1:00 PM)

MC: Greeting

Entrance song

Introduction by the Celebrant

ENTRANCE ANT. ***[Glory in the Cross]*** ***STAND***

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God,
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

They strike their breast:

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue:

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Absolution:

May almighty God have mercy on us.
Forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

The Gloria in Excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said / Sung

*During the singing of the **Gloria**, the Church bells are rung and then remain silent until the Easter Vigil.*

C: **Collect** ***[Fullness of Charity]***

O God, who have called us to participate
in this most sacred Supper,
in which your Only Begotten Son,
when about to hand himself over to death,
entrusted to the Church a sacrifice new for all eternity,
the banquet of his love,
grant, we pray,
that we may draw from so great a mystery,
the fullness of charity and of life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **R/ Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word ***SIT***

First Reading *Ex 12:1-8, 11-14* ***[The First Passover]***

For the protection of the Jewish people, strict religious and dietary instructions are given to Moses by God. The law of the Passover meal requires that the doorposts and lintels of each house be marked with the blood of the sacrificial animal so that the Lord can " go through Egypt striking down every firstborn of the land, both man and beast."

A reading from the Book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, "This month shall stand at the head of your calendar; you shall reckon it the first month of the year. Tell the whole community of Israel: On the tenth of this month every one of your families must procure for itself a lamb, one apiece for each household. If a family is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join the nearest household in procuring one and shall share in the lamb in proportion to the number of persons who partake of it. The lamb must be a year-old male and without blemish. You may take it from either the sheep or the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, and then, with the whole assembly of Israel present, it shall be slaughtered during the evening twilight. They shall take some of its blood and apply it to the two doorposts and the lintel of

every house in which they partake of the lamb. That same night they shall eat its roasted flesh with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

"This is how you are to eat it: with your loins girt, sandals on your feet and your staff in hand, you shall eat like those who are in flight. It is the Passover of the Lord. For on this same night I will go through Egypt, striking down every firstborn of the land, both man and beast, and executing judgment on all the gods of Egypt-I, the Lord! But the blood will mark the houses where you are. Seeing the blood, I will pass over you; thus, when I strike the land of Egypt, no destructive blow will come upon you.

"This day shall be a memorial feast for you, which all your generations shall celebrate with pilgrimage to the Lord, as a perpetual institution".

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 116* ***[Thanksgiving]***

R./ Our blessing cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

How shall I make a return to the Lord
for all the good he has done for me?
The cup of salvation I will take up,
and I will call upon the name of the Lord. **(R.)**

Precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.
I am your servant, the son of your handmaid;
you have loosed my bonds. **(R.)**

To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and I will call upon the name of the Lord.
My vows to the Lord I will pay
in the presence of all his people. **(R.)**

Second Reading *1Cor 11:23-26* ***[The Lord's Supper]***

Paul recounts the events of the Last Supper which were handed down to him. The changing of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of the Lord proclaimed again his death. It was to be a sacrificial meal.

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters: I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me. "In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me. "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

The word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

Verse Before The Gospel Jn 13:34
[Love One Another]

STAND

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
love one another as I have loved you.
R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

"Do this in remembrance of me."

Gospel *Jn 13:1-15* ***[Love and Service]***

Jesus washes the feet of his disciples to prove to them his sincere love and great humility which they should imitate.

R/ The Lord be with you.
R/ And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.
R/ Glory to you, O Lord.

Before the feast of Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to pass from this world to the Father. He loved his own in the world and he loved them to the end. The devil had already induced Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot, to hand him over. So, during supper, fully aware that the Father had put everything into his power and that he had come from God and was returning to God, he rose from supper and took off his outer garments. He took a towel and tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel around his waist. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Master, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing, you do not understand now, but you will understand later." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "Unless I wash you, you will have no inheritance with me. "Simon Peter said to him, "Master, then not only my feet, but my hands and head as well. "Jesus said to him, "Whoever has bathed has no need except to have his feet washed, for he is clean all over; so you are clean, but not all." For he knew who would betray him; for this reason, he said, "Not all of you are clean."

So when he had washed their feet and put his garments back on and reclined at table again, he said to them, "Do you realize what I have done for you? You call me 'teacher' and 'master,' and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do."

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily ***SIT***

The Washing of Feet ***SIT***

After the Homily, where a pastoral reason suggests it, the Washing of Feet follows. The men who have been chosen are led by the ministers to seats prepared in a suitable place. Then the Priest (removing his chasuble if necessary) goes to each one, and, with the help of the ministers, pours water over each one's feet and then dries them. Meanwhile some of the following antiphons or other appropriate chants are sung.

After the Washing of Feet, the Priest washes and dries his hands, puts the chasuble back on, and returns to the chair, and from there he directs the Universal Prayer.

The Creed is not said ***STAND***

General Intercessions

On this blessed night, we recall the great graces of the Last Supper as we pray:

(Pause)

For the church: that in the gesture of the washing of the feet, the Church will rededicate herself to the life of service and sacrificial self-giving, and be a community of love and service.
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the Holy Order: that on this night in which the Lord establishes the priesthood, all priests will recommit themselves to holiness with renewed zeal.
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the World Peace: that Christ's Passion will generate lasting peace in the world, especially the current global conflicts.
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the Christian Community: that the power of the Holy Eucharist will transform the hearts of all people so that Christ will become the source and summit of their life.
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who suffer: hunger and thirst for food and better conditions in life, for justice, for love and for hope, that they will find consolation and blessing in their conformity to Christ crucified.
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all of us here in this community: that the Eucharist may become more for us the bond of forgiveness and reconciliation with God and with one another, in this holy week.
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Lord Jesus, You are the head of the Church, we humbly seek Your providence of the St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish, the grace to participate in this most sacred Supper and to be the Light to the nations.
We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for those intentions offered for the Mass
and for our personal intentions ...

(Pause)

We pray to you, Lord: **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Most merciful Father, in the sacrifice of your Son, you have given us Lord Jesus Christ, the giver of life of the world. May his love penetrate all that we love and do.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory hymn ***SIT***

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Bread
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread we offer you:
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.
All : ***Blessed be God for ever.***

Preparation of the Wine
Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.
All : ***Blessed be God for ever.***

Invitation To Prayer ***STAND***

Priest : Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice
and yours may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

People : May the Lord accept the sacrifice
at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good
and the good of all his Holy Church

Prayer over the Offerings
[Work of Redemption] ***STAND***

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,
that we may participate worthily in these mysteries,
for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated
the work of our redemption is accomplished.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer ***STAND***

Introductory Dialogue
The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just

Preface I of the Most Holy Eucharist ***[The Sacrifice and the Sacrament of Christ]***

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,
through Christ our Lord.

For he is the true and eternal Priest,
who instituted the pattern of an everlasting sacrifice
and was the first to offer himself as the saving Victim,
commanding us to make this offering as his memorial.
As we eat his flesh that was sacrificed for us, we are made strong,
and, as we drink his Blood that was poured out for us,
we are washed clean.

And so, with Angels and Archangels,
with Thrones and Dominions,
and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven,
we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim :
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts....

Eucharistic Prayer No. 1 ***KNEEL***

Praise to the Father

To you, therefore, most merciful Father,
we make humble prayer and petition
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord:

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

that you accept and bless ✠ these gifts, these offerings,
these holy and unblemished sacrifices,

Intercession for the Church

which we offer you firstly
for your holy catholic Church.
Be pleased to grant her peace,
to guard, unite and govern her
throughout the whole world,
together with your servant ***N.*** our Pope
and ***N.*** our Bishop,
and all those who, holding to the truth,
hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Commemoration of the Living

Remember, Lord, your servants ***N.*** and ***N.***
and all gathered here,
whose faith and devotion are known to you.
For them we offer you this sacrifice of praise
or they offer it for themselves
and all who are dear to them:
for the redemption of their souls,
in hope of health and well-being,
and paying their homage to you,
the eternal God, living and true.

In Communion with the Saints

Celebrating the most sacred day
on which our Lord Jesus Christ
was handed over for our sake,
and in communion with those whose memory we venerate,
especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary,
Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ,
and blessed Joseph, her Spouse,
your blessed Apostles and Martyrs,
Peter and Paul, Andrew,
(James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew,
Matthew, Simon and Jude; Linus, Cletus, Clement,
Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, lawrence, Chrysogonus,
John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian) and all your Saints;
we ask that through their merits and prayers,
in all things we may be defended by your protecting help.
(Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.)

Therefore, Lord, we pray:
graciously accept this oblation of our service,
that of your whole family,
which we make to you as we observe the day
on which our Lord Jesus Christ
handed on the mysteries of his Body and Blood
for his disciples to celebrate;
order our days in your peace,
and command that we be delivered from eternal damnation
and counted among the flock of those you have chosen.
(Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**)

Invocation of the Holy Spirit

Be pleased, O God, we pray,
to bless, acknowledge,
and approve this offering in every respect;
make it spiritual and acceptable,
so that it may become for us
the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Supper

On the day before he was to suffer
for our salvation and the salvation of all,
that is today,
he took bread in his holy and venerable hands,
and with eyes raised to heaven to you,
O God, his almighty Father,
giving you thanks, he said the blessing,
broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat of it,
for this is my Body,
which will be given up for you.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,
he took this precious chalice
in his holy and venerable hands,
and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing
and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it,
for this is the chalice of my Blood,
the Blood of the new and eternal covenant,
which will be poured out for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in memory of me.

Memorial Acclamation

Priest : The mystery of faith.
All : When we eat this Bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

The Memorial Prayer

Therefore, O Lord,
as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed Passion,
the Resurrection from the dead,
and the glorious Ascension into heaven
of Christ, your Son, our Lord,
we, your servants and your holy people,
offer to your glorious majesty
from the gifts that you have given us,
this pure victim, this holy victim,
this spotless victim,
the holy Bread of eternal life
and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings
with a serene and kindly countenance,
and to accept them,
as once you were pleased to accept
the gifts of your servant Abel the just,
the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith,
and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek,
a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God:
command that these gifts be borne
by the hands of your holy Angel
to your altar on high
in the sight of your divine majesty,
so that all of us, who through this participation at the altar
receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son,
may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing.
(Through Christ our Lord. Amen)

For the Departed Souls

Remember also, Lord, your servants ***N.*** and ***N.,***
who have gone before us with the sign of faith
and rest in the sleep of peace.
Grant them, O Lord, we pray,
and all who sleep in Christ,
a place of refreshment, light and peace
(Through Christ our Lord. Amen)

For the Living

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners,
hope in your abundant mercies,
graciously grant some share
and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs:
with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas,
(Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity,
Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia)
and all your Saints;
admit us, we beseech you,
into their company,
not weighing our merits,
but granting us your pardon,
through Christ our Lord.

Through whom
you continue to make all these good thing, O Lord;
you sanctify them, fill them with life,
bless them, and bestow them upon us.

Concluding Doxology

Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory is yours,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Communion Rite ***STAND***

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Priest:
Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,
graciously grant us peace in our days,
that, by the help of your mercy,

we may be always free from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
People:
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours, now and for ever.

Sign Of Peace

*Priest :*Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you;
look not on our sins,
but on the faith of your Church,
and graciously grant her peace and unity
in accordance with your will.
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
People : ***Amen***
Priest : The peace of the Lord be with you always
People : ***And with your Spirit***
Priest : Let us offer each other the sign of peace

Breaking of the Bread

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: ***Have mercy on us.***
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: ***Have mercy on us.***
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: ***Grant us peace.***

Invitation to Communion ***KNEEL***

Priest : Behold the Lamb of God, behold him
who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
People : ***Lord, I am not worthy***
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.
Priest : The body of Christ.
Answer : **Amen**
Priest : The blood of Christ.
Answer : **Amen**

Communion ***STAND***

Prayer after Communion
[Renewed]

Grant, almighty God,
that, just as we are renewed
by the Supper of your Son in this present age,
so we may enjoy his banquet for all eternity.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
R/ Amen.

General Announcements ***(The Significance of Stripping the Altar Cloth)*** ***SIT***
STAND

The Transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament

After the General Announcement, the Priest puts incense in the thurible while standing, blesses it and then, ***kneeling, incenses the Blessed Sacrament three times.*** *Then, having put on a white humeral veil, he rises, takes the ciborium, and covers it with the ends of the veil.*

A procession is formed in which the Blessed Sacrament, *accompanied by torches and incense, is carried through the church to a place of repose prepared in a part of the church or in a chapel suitably decorated.*

A lay minister with a cross, standing between two other ministers with lighted candles leads off. Others carrying lighted candles follow. Before the Priest carrying the Blessed Sacrament comes the thurifer with a smoking thurible. Meanwhile, the ***hymn Pange lingua*** *(exclusive of the last two stanzas) or another eucharistic chant is sung.*

When the procession reaches ***the place of repose,*** *the Priest, with the help of the Deacon if necessary, places the ciborium in the tabernacle, the door of which remains open. Then he puts incense in the thurible and, kneeling, incenses the Blessed Sacrament, while* **Tantum ergo Sacramentum** *or another eucharistic chant is sung. Then the Deacon or the Priest himself places the Sacrament in the tabernacle and closes the door.*

After a period of adoration in silence. At an appropriate time, the altar is stripped and, if possible, the crosses are removed from the church. It is expedient that any crosses which remain in the church be veiled. *The Priest and ministers genuflect and return to the sacristy.*

The faithful are invited to continue adoration before the Blessed Sacrament for a suitable length of time during the night.

Please leave the church in silence.