



Catholic Church

215 South 8th Street
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Thursday, April 5, 2023 Holy Thursday



Good morning!

We read Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14, Psalm 116, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, and John 13:1-15. Jesus says, "I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do." We enter into the three holy days of the Triduum. These days collectively draw us into the love of God. Each day we are invited to be drawn deeper into the love of Jesus Christ bringing us together in unity and peace. The recollection of the Passover, the institution of the Eucharist and the call to humble service flow from today's celebration throughout the whole three days, preparing us to incorporate ourselves more into the body of Christ rather than sitting on the sidelines. We are entrusted these days with not just sharing the story but living it in the world today. The challenge comes to live our lives congruent to the gospel that we hear and read. We show our love for each other to the end by words, but like Jesus, more importantly, through deeds which demonstrate that love until the end. Our celebrations and reflections made us aware that we are not yet at the ideal of what a community can be. We are still capable of betrayal and lack of hospitality, yet we still must wash each other's feet. Jesus came not for the righteous but for sinners. "How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good the Lord has done for me?"

Peace,

RevKev

"Our blessing cup is a communion with the blood of Christ."

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