

# OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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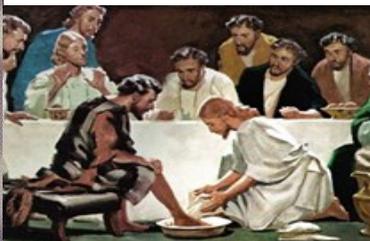
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## EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER & WASHING OF THE FEET



## **HOLY THURSDAY: THE LORD'S SUPPER - 1ST APRIL 2021**

<b>Good Friday:</b>	Stations of the Cross:	9am
<b>Good Friday:</b>	The Passion of Our Lord	3pm
<b>Holy Saturday:</b>	Easter Vigil	7.00pm
<b>Easter Sunday:</b>	Masses of the Day	8.30am and 10am

## **GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY**

On Thursday of Holy Week four events are commemorated: the washing of the disciples' feet, the institution of the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper, the agony in the garden of Gethsemane, and the betrayal of Christ by Judas.

The Institution of the Eucharist At the Mystical Supper in the Upper Room Jesus gave a radically new meaning to the food and drink of the sacred meal. He identified Himself with the bread and wine: "Take, eat; this is my Body. Drink of it all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant" (Matthew 26:26-28).

In the Eucharist we receive and partake of the resurrected Christ. We share in His sacrificed, risen and deified Body, "for the forgiveness of sins and life eternal" (Divine Liturgy).

In the Eucharist Christ pours into us - as a permanent and constant gift - the Holy Spirit, "Who bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God - and if children - then heirs with Christ (Romans 8:16-17).

### **THE WASHING OF THE FEET:**

The events initiated by Jesus at the Mystical Supper were profoundly significant. By teaching and giving the disciples His final instructions and praying for them as well, He revealed again His divine Sonship and authority. By establishing the Eucharist, He enshrines to perfection God's most intimate purposes for our salvation, offering Himself as Communion and life. By washing the feet of His disciples, He summarised the meaning of His ministry, manifested His perfect love and revealed His profound humility. The act of the washing of the feet (John 13:2-17) is closely related to the sacrifice of the Cross. Both reveal aspects of Christ's kenosis. While the Cross constitutes the ultimate manifestation of Christ's perfect obedience to His Father (Philippians 2:5-8), the washing of the feet signifies His intense love and the giving of Himself to each person according to that person's ability to receive Him (John 13:6-9).



**MISSION MAP**

*Mata Raukapa Whana*



## Readings for the Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper 1st April 2021

### First reading:

Hulu Tu'inukuafe

A reading from the book of Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14

*These are the instructions for the Passover meal!*

### Responsorial Psalm 116

What shall I return to the Lord  
for all his bounty to me?  
I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the Lord.

Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is the death of his faithful ones.  
I am your servant, the son of your serving girl.  
You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice  
and call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord  
in the presence of all his people.



### Second reading:

Su'a Tagaloa

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 11:23-26

*As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,  
you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes!*

### Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
I give you a new commandment:  
love one another as I have loved you.  
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

### Gospel

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 13:1-15

*Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end!*

### Homily

### Washing of the feet

Commentator: (Prayers of the Faithful)

Paul Lovett

Extra-Ordinary Ministers: Tonga Enosi, Tatupu Vaalepu, Grace Tu'inukuafe.

**TRANSFER OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND ADORATION IN SILENCE TILL MIDNIGHT.**

The blessed Sacrament will be in the Hall after Mass of Holy Thursday until 12.30am. The Hall will re-open 6.00am Friday morning to give everyone an opportunity for Adoration whenever convenient.

(The roster for Adoration for Holy Thursday led by the four choirs are as follows)

Youth Choir: 8.30pm - 9.00pm Samoa Choir: 9.00pm - 9.30pm

Parish Choir: 9.30pm - 10.00pm Tongan Choir: 10.00pm - 10.30pm

Divine Mercy: 10.30pm - 11.00pm

Good Friday Collection 2021: The Good Friday collection each year is taken to support the mission of the Church in the Holy Land, and to preserve the Shrines at places associated with the ministry of our Lord. The collection will be sent to the Pompallier Diocesan Centre next week. Thank you for your support. Collection baskets will be placed on either side of the crucifix during the adoration of the cross.

Candles for Holy Saturday: Please ensure that your candles have a cardboard base or are in a container to prevent them from spilling wax on the carpet and the pews.