

# OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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



## HOLY THURSDAY: THE LORD'S SUPPER - 2ND APRIL 2026

<b>Good Friday:</b>	Ecumenical - 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).

# Readings for Holy Thursday of the Lord's Last Supper 2nd April 2026

## First reading:

A reading from the book of Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14  
*The law for the Passover meal!*

**Fiesola Pifeleti**

## Responsorial Psalm: 115.

**R: The cup of blessing that we bless  
is a sharing in the Blood of Christ**

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. **R.**

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. **R.**

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. **R.**



## Second reading:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 11:23-29 **Cheryl Peters**  
*Until the Lord comes, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim his death!*

## 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)

**Su'a Tagaloa**

## Extra-Ordinary Ministers:

**Tonga Enosi, Kalevina Su'a, Valentino Laloli,  
Robert Lemana, Inoke Kata, Johndell Ubido**

## TRANSFER OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND ADORATION IN SILENCE

The blessed Sacrament will be set up in the Church after Mass of Holy Thursday.  
Adoration in silence for ALL straight after Mass until 9.30pm.

**Good Friday Collection:** 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. Thank you for your support. Collection baskets will be placed on either side of the crucifix during the veneration of the cross.

**Candles for Holy Saturday:** Please ensure that all lighted candles are to be put out and placed in the box provided in the entrance of the Church, to prevent wax from spilling onto the carpet and the pews.