ARCHDIOCESE OF BOMBAY

17 April 2025 MAUNDY THURSDAY - C



Introduction:

As we gather for the Mass of the Lord's Supper, we commemorate the Lord's invitation to love, the institution of the Eucharist and His act of humble service by washing the disciples' feet. Let us open our hearts to His love and follow His example of selfless service.

Readings:

First Reading: Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 116: 12-13, 15 & 16bc, 17-18

Second Reading: 1 Cor 11: 23-26 **Gospel Reading:** Jn 13: 1-15

Prayers of the Faithful:

Celebrant: On this holy night when our Lord Jesus Christ gave us the sacrament of His Body and Blood, let us unite our hearts in prayer, trusting in God's boundless love and mercy as we present our needs and petitions. Our response: **HEAR OUR PRAYER O LORD**

That the Holy Father, Bishops, Clergy, Religious and the lay faithful may always cherish the gift of the Eucharist and be strengthened by the Body and Blood of Christ to serve others with love and humility... we pray...

That all world leaders may be inspired by Christ's example of service and work towards promoting peace, justice, and the well-being of all people... we pray...

That each one of us may be grateful for receiving the gift of the Eucharist on this night and manifest its fruits in the love we show and the service we render as disciples of Jesus... we pray...

That priests may continue to serve the Church with humility bring us closer to the Lord and many may be inspired to accept God's call to the Priesthood instituted by Jesus... we pray...

That the sick and the lonely, the hungry and thirsty may be comforted, healed and nourished by the presence of Jesus, who offered Himself for our salvation... we pray...

That the Lord may comfort all those in need including ourselves, very especially those who silently suffer the difficulties of life... (pause for 7 seconds) ... we pray...

Celebrant:

Father, we thank you for listening to our prayers on this day when your Son offered us the gifts of the Eucharist and the priesthood and commanded us to love and serve in your name forever and ever. Amen.

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