

**THE PASSION, DEATH,  
AND  
RESURRECTION OF JESUS**



## The Last Supper

It is the most remembered and celebrated dinner in world history and it is the only meal that is celebrated daily all over the world in the form of the Holy Eucharist, also called the Holy Mass.



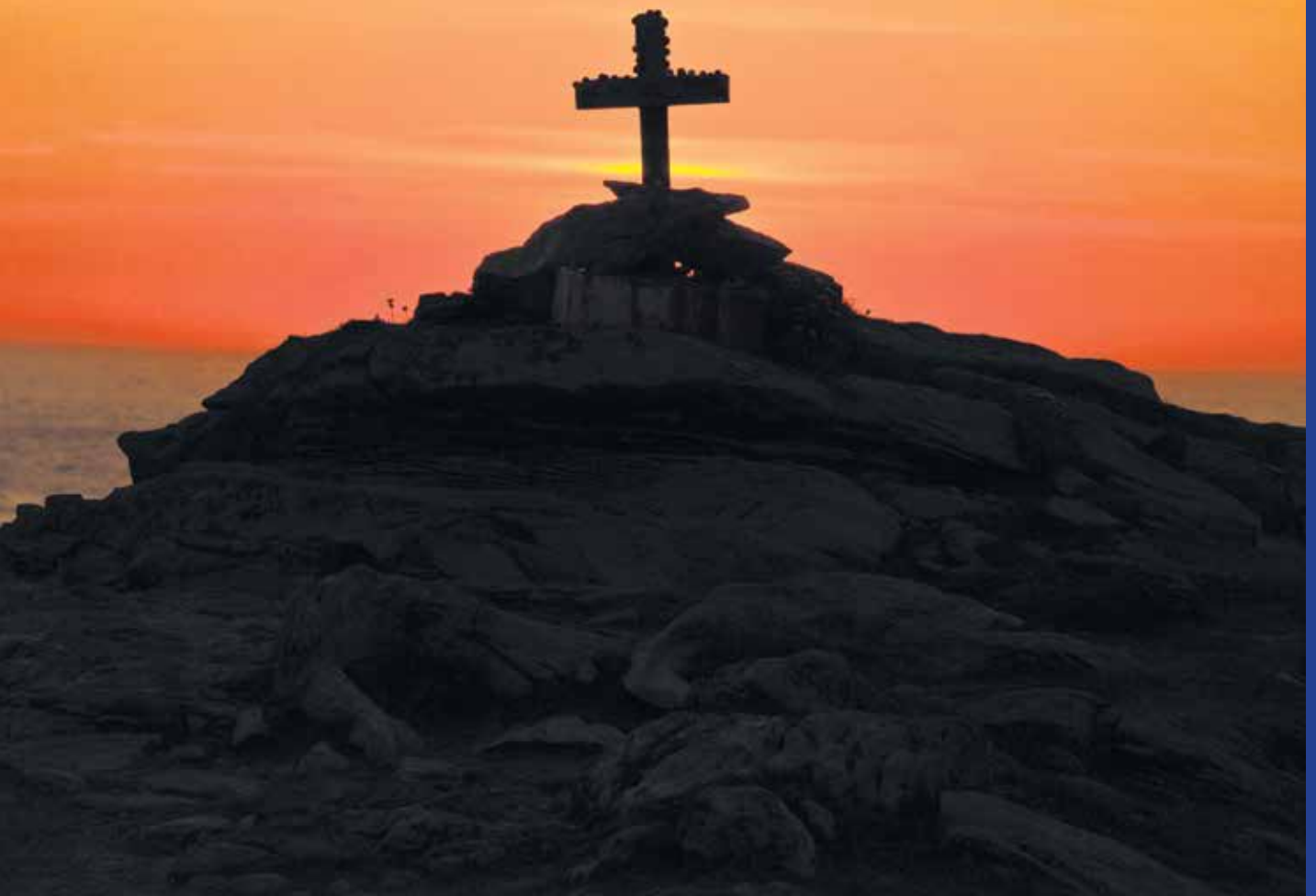
The main reason for the Last Supper becoming the everlasting supper is the fact that at the centre of this supper is the person of Jesus Christ who summed up at the table everything that He was, He is and He would be.

And it was the most poignant supper ever eaten together as it was indeed the last supper before the most agonising and painful death of our Lord. Yet it was the most powerful indication of His love for us because Jesus became the bread that was broken, the Passover lamb who was sacrificed for our faults and failings.

This supper comprised a few revolutionary events: washing of the disciples' feet by the Teacher, and the institution of the Holy Eucharist, the most central aspect of Catholic worship and the institution of the Priesthood.

Through the first episode, Jesus gave a new meaning to the relationship between teacher and disciple, master and servant and reiterated for the last time that He had not come to be served but to serve and to become a ransom for many.

The second episode related to the last supper, is the institution of the Eucharist, the permanent and everlasting memorial of the last meal Jesus had with His disciples. What Jesus did and said in this supper added significance and value to the whole act.



He gave thanks to the Father, broke the bread and gave to the disciples saying, "This is my body, which is given for you." Afterwards He gave them the cup saying, "This cup is God's new covenant sealed with my blood, which is poured out for you."

The Last Supper is the last statement of Jesus that He is going to die like a Passover lamb to bring forgiveness; the washing of the feet is the fullness of His love for the people whom He wanted to save by dying; like the Jews, Christians recall the Last Supper, the suffering, the death of Jesus and the resurrection of Jesus during the Holy Week and Easter Liturgy.



## Word of God

Corinthians 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup also, 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 Lord's death until he comes.



**Book:** *Body Broken and Blood Shed: The Eucharist of the Risen Christ* is a five star rated highly acclaimed theological work by Luis M. Bermejo SJ of Jnana Deepa Vidyapeeth (JDV), Pune, India.

**Painting:** *The Last Supper* by Leonardo Da Vinci is the most famous work of art on the last meal of Jesus with His disciples. The Last Supper was a mural completed by Leonardo da Vinci. This painting depicts the shock and horror of the twelve disciples upon learning that one amongst themselves was going to betray Jesus Christ. The work was commissioned in 1495 by Ludovico Sforza, who was the Duke of Milan.

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Explore with the help of your parents the Roman Catholic doctrine of the consecration of bread and wine. You must be having Last Supper paintings near your dining area. So many reproductions have been made in all sizes, but the original painting is about 15 feet by 29 feet.

**Bible@Home** - Luke 22:7-23

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