A HISTORIC MEAL... A GIFT OF LIFE

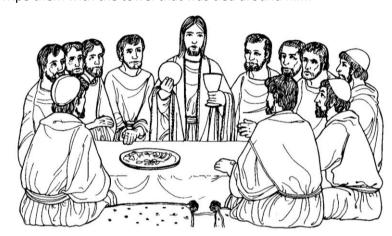
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. When the hour came, he took his place at the table, and the apostles with him. He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God."

Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, got up from the table, took off his outer robe, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him.

He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord—and you are right, for that is what I am. So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet."

Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood." Luke 22:7-:20; John 133-5,12-14.



WHAT WAS JESUS' GREAT DESIRE BEFORE HE DIED?

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As we look through the Bible, we realize that God had planned all along to give us the gift of himself in the Eucharist. Read the passages given, (Good News Bible), fill in the blanks, and use the letters in the blocks to find the word at the bottom. Also ask: What connection do these passages have with the Last Supper?

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1. Genesis 14:18-20 A mysterious king-priest named brought and to Abraham. 2. Exodus 12:1-14 The of the lamb saved	3. Exodus 16: 31-35 God fed the people with which kept them alive on their journey. They preserved some of it and kept it in front of the box.	5. John 6:51-58 Jesus said, "I am the that came down from If anyone eats this bread, he will The bread that I will give is my"
the Israelites from death. They ate bread without	4. Matthew 14:15-20 Jesus fed the hungry crowds afterGod andthe	6. Luke 24:28-31 The two disciples recognized Jesus when he the
EUCHARIST MEANS:		Ask your family or Catho friends:

Do you feel this word is appropriate (suitable)? Why?

"Do you believe that the bread and wine at Mass really becomes Jesus? Why?"

