

Reflections on John

Archbishop Naumann - Week 6



Gospel Reading - John 13: 1-15

"Before the feast of Passover, Jesus knew that His hour had come to pass from this world to the Father. He loved his own in the world and He loved them to the end. The devil had already induced Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot, to hand him over. So during the supper, fully aware that the Father had put everything into His power and that He had come from God and was returning to God, He rose from the supper and took off His outer garments. He took a towel, tied it around His waist, then He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dried them with a towel around His waist. He came to Simon Peter, who said to Him, 'Master, are you going to wash my feet?' Jesus answered and said to Him, 'What I am doing, you do not understand now, but you will understand later.' Peter said to Him, 'You will never wash my feet.' Jesus answered him, 'Unless I wash you, you will have no inheritance with me.' Simon Peter said to Him, 'Master, then not only my feet, but my hands and head as well.' Jesus said to him, 'Whoever is bathed has no need except to have his feet washed, for he is clean all over, so you are clean, but not all,' for He knew who would deny Him. 'For this reason,' He said, 'not all of you are clean.' So when He had washed their feet and put his garments back on and reclined at table again, He said to them, 'Do you realize what I've done for you? You call me teacher and master, and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I've given you a model to follow so that as I have done for you, you should also do.'"

Reflection Questions:

1. Who models humility of discipleship in your life?
2. What is the meaning of servant love?
3. How is servant love tied to the Eucharist?
4. What is the difference between proximity to Jesus and intimacy with Jesus?
5. How do you receive the gift of Calvary?
6. How are you being sent on mission with the Eucharist?

***My God and Savior
Jesus Christ,
true God and true Man,
I firmly believe that you
are really and bodily
present in the Blessed
Sacrament of the Altar.
From the depths
of my heart,
I adore You.***

How does this
Scripture passage
affirm my belief in
the Real Presence of
Christ in the
Eucharist?