

Quilla of Apostles  
Holy week

Kindergarten /  
April 7, 2000

Chapter 17

Reading &  
Activity  
Pages

17

## The Best Gift of All

“I made known to them your name, and I will make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

John 17:26

Jesus worked many miracles on earth. He taught us that He is God, and how much God loves us. But, Jesus knew that He was going to die soon. He loved us so very much that He found a way to be with us after He died.

The special supper Jesus shared with His Apostles on the night before He died is called the **Last Supper**. At the Last Supper, Jesus took bread and blessed it. He said, “Take this and eat of it. *This is My Body.*” Then Jesus took a cup of wine and said, “*This is the chalice of My Blood.*” Jesus changed bread and wine into His own Body and Blood. When the Apostles ate this Bread, Jesus lived inside them.

Then Jesus did something amazing. He gave His Apostles the power to change bread and wine into His

Body and Blood. The Apostles, in turn, passed on this power to all the bishops and priests who came after them, right up to today.

The **priest** at your church has received this power too. Because he has this power, when your priest offers **Mass**, he does what Jesus did at the Last Supper. When he says the words of Jesus, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus. And when the people receive **Holy Communion**, Jesus comes to live in them. This is the best gift Jesus could have given us. It is the gift of Himself.

### Words to Know:

Last Supper

Mass

priest

Holy Communion



**Q. 35** *At the Last Supper, what did Jesus do with the bread and wine?*

At the Last Supper, Jesus changed the bread and wine into His Body and Blood (CCC 1339).

**Q. 36** *Why can priests today change bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus?*

Jesus gave this power to His Apostles and they gave it to the bishops and priests who came after them (CCC 1341).

**Q. 37** *Why is Holy Communion a special gift from God?*

Holy Communion is a special gift from God because, in Communion, Jesus Himself comes to live in us (CCC 1384).

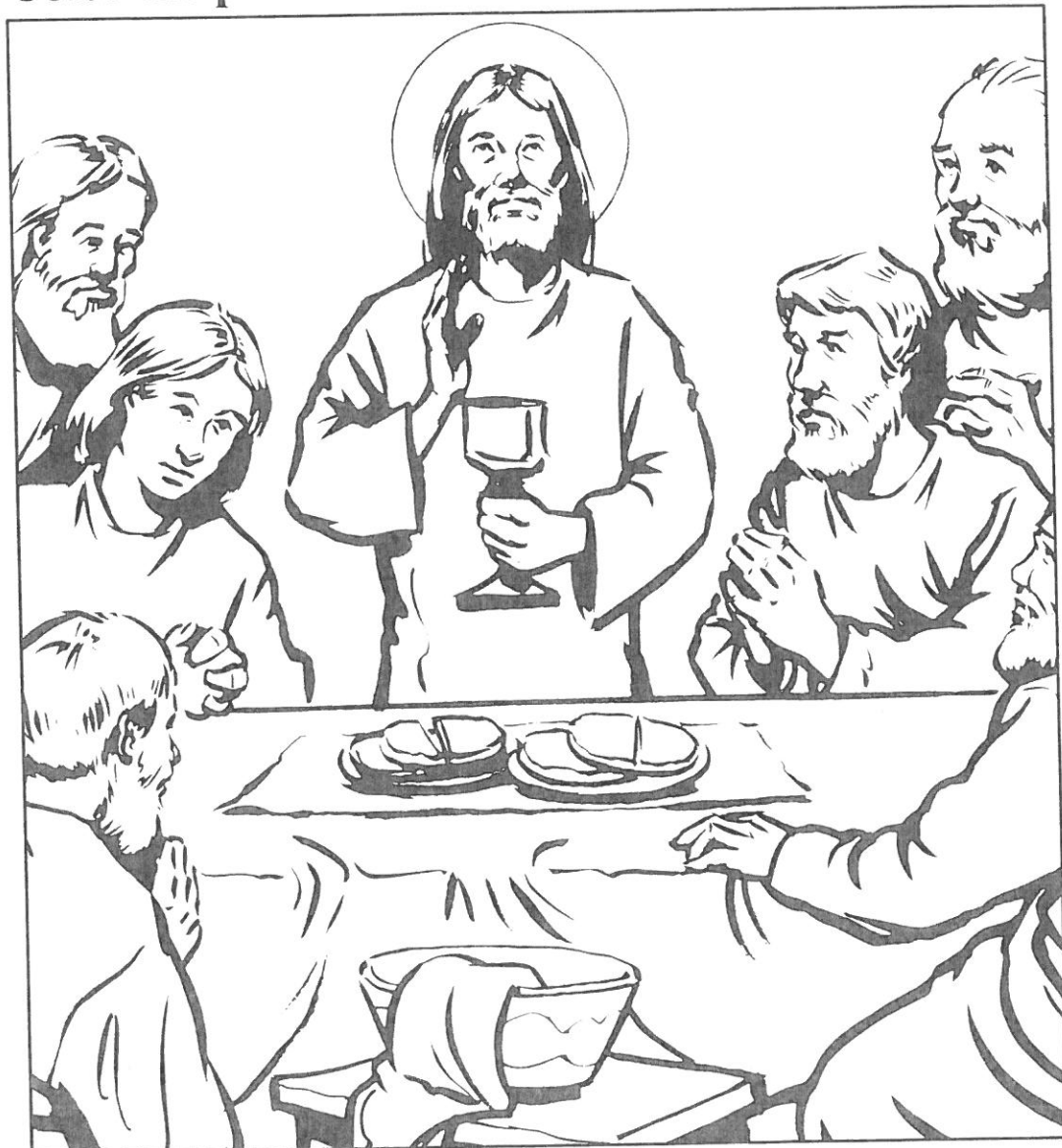
*Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst.... I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh."*

John 6:35, 51

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Jesus gave us His Body and Blood at the Last Supper.

Color the picture.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**At Mass, the priest does what Jesus did.  
He says the words of Jesus and the bread and  
wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus.**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Use the following words and phrases to fill in the blanks.

bread and wine	Eucharist
grace	all
Bread of Life	Body and Blood
bishops and priests	

1. Jesus can be with us always through the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The Eucharist is not part of Jesus, but \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.
3. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A Catholic receives Jesus and His \_\_\_\_\_ when he receives Jesus in the Eucharist.
5. Jesus gave the Apostles the power to change the \_\_\_\_\_ into His \_\_\_\_\_ . The Apostles then gave the power to the \_\_\_\_\_.