

St. Mary's Holy Week Video Retreat: Day II – 2020

What do Ledell Lee & Thomas Aquinas have in common? Sight, touch and taste / are no guide in finding You, /and only hearing / is a sure guide for our faith. I believe everything / that the Son of God has said, / and nothing can be truer / than this word of the Truth.

I. Luke 22:14-20 – Christ's Last Supper changes things forever.

14 When **the hour** came, he took his place at table with the apostles. 15 He said to them, "I have **eagerly desired to eat this Passover* with you before I suffer**, 16 for, I tell you, I shall not eat it [again] until there is fulfillment in the kingdom of God." 17 Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and said, "Take this and share it among yourselves; 18 for I tell you [that] from this time on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." 19 Then he took the bread, said the **blessing**, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." 20 And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you."

SKIPPING CUPS UNTIL TOMORROW

A. Biblical Healing IS ALWAYS REDEEMING. NOT JUST PHYSICAL

B. "When the hour came" – What HOUR?

Wedding Feast (JN 2:4) *My hour has not yet come (JN 12:29 Hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified* Agony: *What shall I say, Father, save me from this HOUR? And more*

C. Momentous Act of God Redeem us? New Passover? Conquer Sin & Death

D. Also Satan's hour LK 22:53 *This is your hour. The time for the power of darkness*

II. What's happening in this HOUR? **3 FULFILLMENTS OF OT**

A. New Passover. We touched on this yesterday (Exodus 12), but more

1. *This is **my** body, blood **for you**.* I am the Lamb of New Passover!

2. Margaret Clitherow – Priest IN PERSONA CHRISTI

B. The New Bread of the Face/Presence – Leviticus 24: 5-8 – 5 *You shall take bran flour and bake it into twelve cakes, using two tenths of an ephah of flour for each cake. 6 These you shall place in two piles, six in each pile, on the pure gold table before the LORD. 7 With each pile put some pure frankincense, which shall serve as an oblation to the LORD, a token of the bread*

offering. 8 Regularly on each sabbath day the bread shall be set out before the LORD on behalf of the Israelites by an everlasting covenant.

1. WHY? Exodus 24:11 They saw God,⁸ and they ate and drank. **AND EX 34:23** Three times a year all your men shall appear before (SEE THE FACE OF) the Lord, the LORD God of Israel. **AND Ps. 27** – 7Hear my voice, LORD, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. 8“Come,” says my heart, “seek his face”; your face, LORD, do I seek! 9Do not hide your face from me;
2. **Babylonia Talmud, Menahoth 29A** – They used to lift it up and exhibit the Bread of the Presence on it to those who came up for the festivals, saying to them, **“Behold, God’s love for you!”**

C. New Manna – Wandering in Desert – Provided by God Himself

1. Christ gives self for new Earthly Pilgrimage of all to Heaven

1. Rev. 2:1 7: (Pergamum) ““Whoever has ears ought to hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the victor **I shall give** some of the hidden manna;”
2. Now at Mass receive as Christ giving himself to you. For you

Agony Garden 40When he arrived at the place he said to them **“Pray that you may not undergo the test”** 41After withdrawing about a stone’s throw from them and kneeling, he prayed, 42 saying, **“Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me; still, not my will but yours be done.”** 43And to strengthen him an angel from heaven appeared to him. 44He was in such agony and he **prayed so fervently that his sweat became like drops of blood** falling on the ground. 45When he rose from prayer and returned to his disciples, he found them **sleeping from grief.** 46He said to them, **“Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not undergo the test.”**

- III. Postpone Peter – Agony in G. Jesus in human nature trembling,
 - A. ONE divine person Thy will be done - OUR FATHER summary
 - B. Related to Agony and Eucharist: Our Daily Bread?
 - C. *epi ousios* above nature/substance. Give us our supersubstantial bread!!!

Sacrament: Visible Sign of invisible reality: Visible sign instituted by Christ to give grace.

- IV. *During Arrest* – **HEALING:** Peter cuts off a man’s ear and Jesus restores it.
- V. Simon Peter - 31 “Simon, Simon, behold Satan has demanded to sift **all of** you like wheat, 32 **HEALING** but I have prayed that your own faith may not fail; and once you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers.” 33 He said to him, “Lord, I am prepared to go to prison and to die with you.” 34 But he replied, “I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times

that you know me."59 still another insisted, "Assuredly, this man too was with him, for he also is a Galilean." 60 But Peter said, "My friend, I do not know what you are talking about." Just as he was saying this, the cock crowed ,61 and the Lord turned and looked at Peter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." 62 He went out and began to weep bitterly. HEALING 2 X

MATTHEW IN 5 vv. 26:75/27 Peter Went out and began to weep
bitterly

(Judas) deeply regretted went out
and hanged himself

A. Leads to ADORATION Dynamic Living Christ, Mass
Prolonged

B.

US? Francois Mauriac: ***"No man knows himself, if he has not looked
at his soul in the light of the Host lifted above the ciborium."*** ECCE
AGNUS DEI

***Praised be Jesus Christ!
Now and Forever. Amen.***