

Celebrating the Washing of Feet at Home

Jesus rose from the table, took off his outer garment, and tied a towel round his waist. Then he poured some water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel round his waist. (John 13:4-5)

The action of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples is to be found in the Gospel of John. During the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday night, the action of Jesus is reflected when the feet of a number of people are washed. But this year, as a result of the Coronavirus we have a find a way to follow the command in a different way.

We may not be able to do this ritual here, but we think and pray for all those in our hospitals who are giving their time, energy, skill and compassion, to care for those who are sick.

(water is poured into a bowl and a towel is unfolded)

While the water is being poured, the towel is held and all present pray for all medical staff

We pray for nurses and doctors

Lord Hear Us **Lord Graciously Hear Us**

We pray for care attendants and ambulance staff

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We pray for support teams and emergency personnel

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We thank them for living out the example of Jesus in their commitment to serving and caring for all those who are ill with the Coronavirus

We light this candle of hope, as all those involved in the fight against Covid 19, give hope to us all. *(A candle is lit beside the bowl)*

We pray the prayer Jesus taught us **Our Father**

We offer our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen