

## *Gospel Reading for April 11, 2017 – Tuesday of Holy Week With Divine Will Truths*

*John 13: 21-33, 36-38*

*While at supper with His disciples, Jesus was troubled in spirit and declared, 'I tell you most solemnly, one of you will betray Me.' The disciples looked at one another, wondering which he meant. The disciple Jesus loved was reclining next to Jesus; Simon Peter signed to him and said, 'Ask who it is He means', so leaning back on Jesus' Breast he said, 'Who is it, Lord?' 'It is the one' replied Jesus 'to whom I give the piece of bread that I shall dip in the dish.' He dipped the piece of bread and gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. At that instant, after Judas had taken the bread, Satan entered him. Jesus then said, 'What you are going to do, do quickly.' None of the others at table understood the reason he said this. Since Judas had charge of the common fund, some of them thought Jesus was telling him, 'Buy what we need for the festival', or telling him to give something to the poor. As soon as Judas had taken the piece of bread he went out. Night had fallen.*

*When he had gone Jesus said:*

*'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in Him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in Him, God will in turn glorify Him in Himself, and will glorify Him very soon.*

*'My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. You will look for Me, and, as I told the Jews, where I AM going, you cannot come.'*

*Simon Peter said, 'Lord, where are you going?' Jesus replied, 'Where I AM going you cannot follow Me now; you will follow Me later.'*

*Peter said to Him, 'Why can't I follow You now? I will lay down my life for You.'*

*'Lay down Your life for Me?' answered Jesus. 'I tell you most solemnly, before the cock crows you will have disowned Me three times.'*

### ***Twenty - Four Hours of the Passion of Jesus Christ***

#### ***Third Hour***

*O Jesus, You now arrive at the cenacle together with Your beloved disciples and You begin Your supper with them. How much sweetness, how much affability You show through all Your person, as You lower Yourself to taking material food for the last time! Everything is love in You; also in this, You not only repair for the sins of gluttony, but You impetrate the sanctification of food.*

*Jesus, my life, Your sweet and penetrating gaze seems to search all of the apostles; and also in this act of taking food Your Heart remains pierced in seeing Your dear apostles still weak and listless, especially the perfidious Judas, who has already put a foot in hell. And You, from the bottom of Your Heart, say bitterly: "What is the utility of My Blood? Here is a soul so favored by Me – yet, he is lost!"*

*And You look at him with Your Eyes refulgent with Light and Love, as though wanting to make him understand the great evil he is about to commit. But Your Supreme Charity makes You bear this Sorrow and You do not make it Manifest even to Your beloved disciples.*

*And while You grieve for Judas, Your Heart is filled with joy in seeing, on Your left, Your Beloved disciple John; so much so, that unable to contain Your Love any longer, drawing him Sweetly to Yourself, You let him place his head upon Your Heart, letting him experience Paradise in advance.*

*It is in this solemn hour that the two peoples, the reprobate and the elect, are portrayed by the two disciples: the reprobate in Judas, who already feels hell in his heart; the elect in John, who rests and delights in You.*

*O my Sweet Good, I too place myself near You, and together with Your beloved disciple I want to place my weary head upon Your adorable Heart, praying You to let me experience the delights of Heaven, also on this earth; so that, enraptured by the Sweet Harmonies of Your Heart, the earth may no longer be earth for me, but Heaven.*

**FIAT!**