5 Sunday of Easter 3 (Jn 13:31-35)

**THE SEVENTH WONDER**

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the present Seven Wonders of the World. Though there was some disagreement, the following scored the most votes:

1. Egypt's Great Pyramids

2. Taj Mahal

3. Grand Canyon

4. Panama Canal

5. Empire State Building

6. St. Peter's Basilica

7. China's Great Wall

While gathering the votes, the teacher noted that one quiet student hadn't turned in her paper yet. So, she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. The girl replied, "Yes, a little. I can't quite make up my mind."

The teacher said, "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help."

The girl hesitated, then said: “I think the Seven Wonders of the World are:

1. To touch

2. To taste

3. To see

4. To hear.”

She hesitated, then added:

“5. To feel

6. To laugh.”

Finally, she added:

“7. and to love and be loved.” (John 13)

The room was so silent that you could have heard a pin drop.

Those things we overlook as simple and "ordinary" are truly wondrous. We hardly give a thought to the wonderful functioning of our body.

“Lord, I thank you for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of all your creation.” (Psalm 139).