

Confirmation

Class #2

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Start of Class Activity & Opening Prayer

Volunteers for the prepared prayers

Work on the word search

Vocabulary

Last Supper

Eucharist

Holy Orders

Real Presence

Transubstantiation

Consecration

Liturgy

Communion of Saints

Passion

Death

Resurrection

Ascension

Kingdom of God

Pascal Mystery

Eucharist – Meal and Celebration

What are some of the things you do as part of a meal?

What are some of the things you do as part of a celebration?

Body of Christ

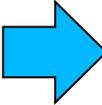
Body of Christ can mean three different things:

- 1) Jesus, born of Mary, who lived on earth, suffered, died, buried, was raised up and ascended into Heaven.
- 2) The Eucharist – It is Jesus' Resurrected Body we receive. As Catholics we believe that the bread and wine have actually is the Body and Blood of Christ. The technical term is transubstantiation. This transformation happens during the consecration. Jesus's real presence in the Eucharist.
- 3) The Church, the People of God. Christ is our head and we are His presence on earth to help assist establishing the Kingdom of God.

The Structure of the Mass

Introductory Rites

Liturgy of the Word

Liturgy of the Eucharist 

Concluding Rites

Presentation of the Gifts and

Preparation of the Altar

Prayer over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer

Preface, Holy, Holy, Holy

First half of prayer, including

Consecration

Mystery of Faith

Second half of prayer, ending with

Doxology

The Lord's Prayer, Sign of Peace,

Lamb of God

Communion

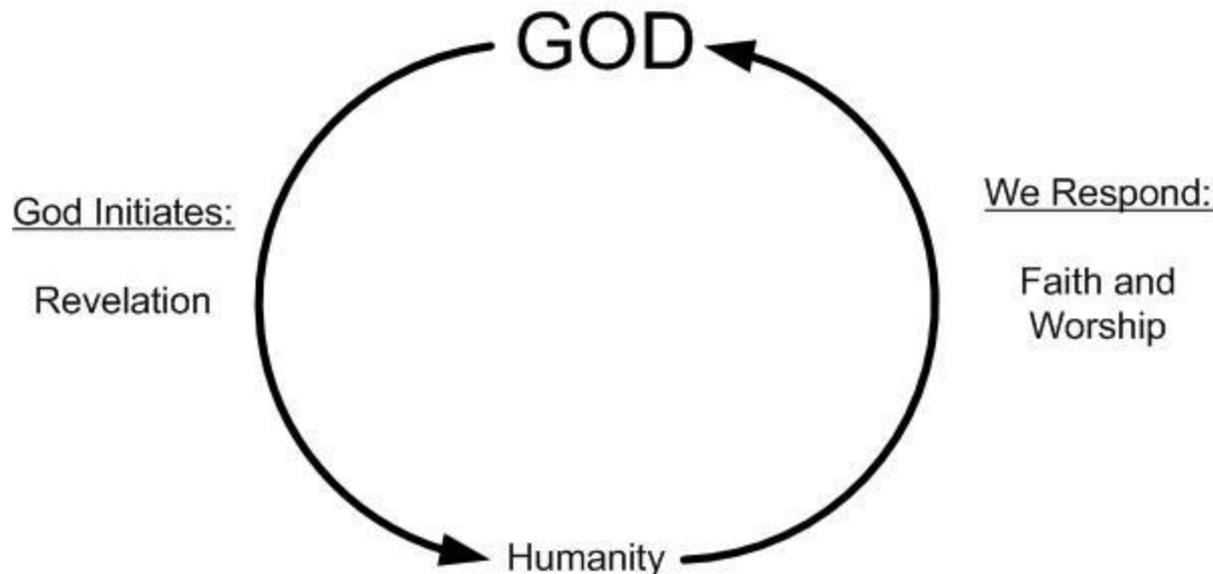
Prayer after Communion

Eucharistic Prayers

- There are four Eucharistic Prayers
- One is said every Mass
- They have some common elements:
 - They describe Salvation History
 - They talk about the Trinity
 - They talk about the Jesus' Sacrifice
 - They have the words of Jesus from the Last Supper...take and eat, take and drink.

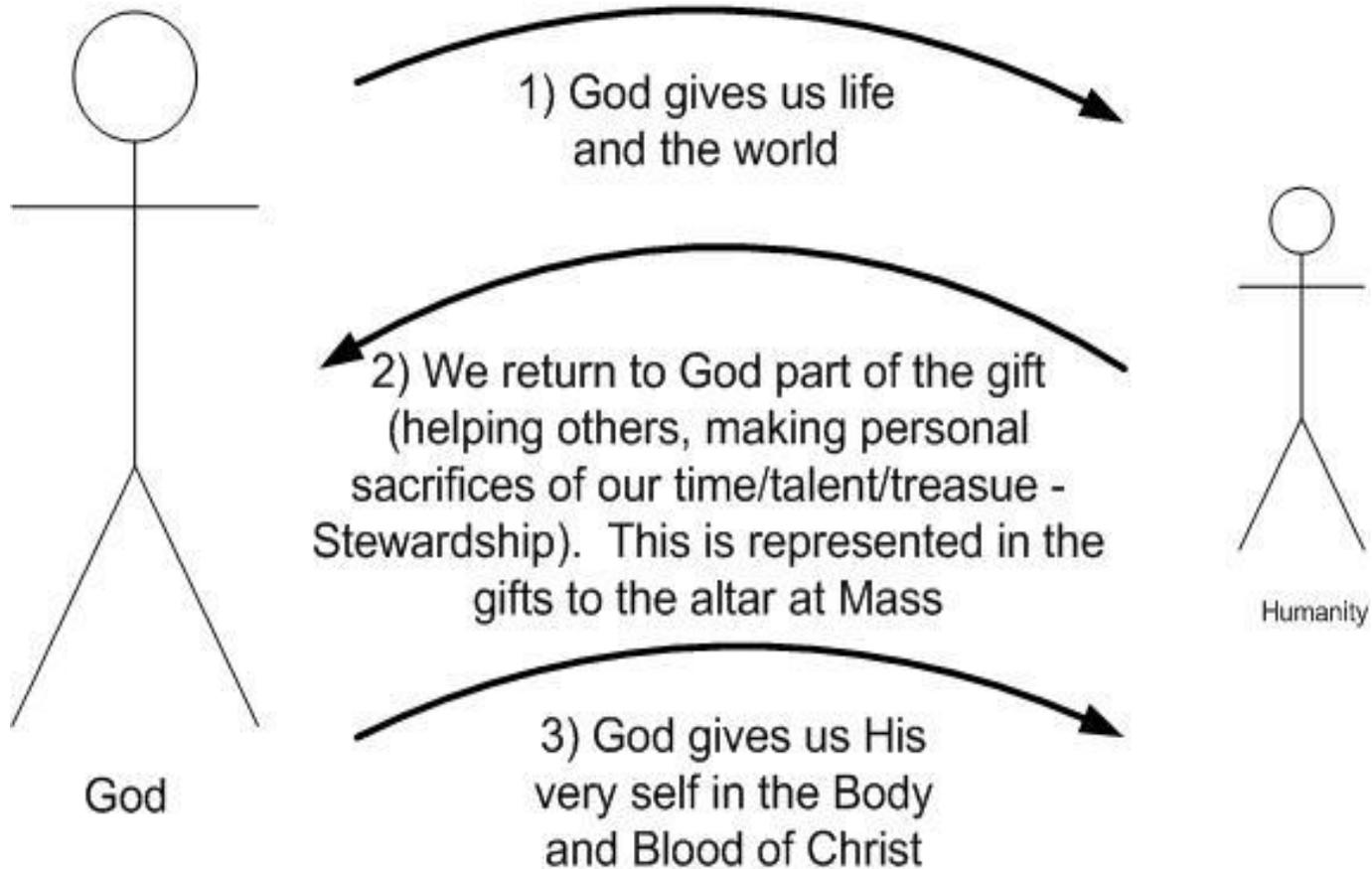
God Initiates, We Respond

- The Priest is acting in the person of Christ.
 - Priest: The Lord be with you
 - Church: And with your spirit
 - Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
 - Church: It is right and just.



Eucharist as an Exchange of Gifts

Receiving from and Giving to God



Eucharist

- A sign of unity
 - 4 Marks of the Church: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic.
- It is the Source and Summit of our Catholic Lives
 - Source #1 – Jesus, the second person of the Trinity
 - Source #2 – Action – Jesus’s act of sacrifice.
 - Summit – Our peak experience
 - It is Jesus, nothing is better
 - It is in giving that we receive (Acts of the Apostles 20:35)
- It is a Meal, Memorial, Sacrifice, Thanksgiving





Adoration

Since we believe the Eucharist remains being Jesus, we reverence the tabernacle and can have worship services called adoration



Adoration as a Prayer Service

Bringing Jesus from the Tabernacle to the
Altar/Monstrance

<https://youtu.be/YdNEm6UCM6U?t=68>

Raising the Monstrance and Divine Praises

<https://youtu.be/YdNEm6UCM6U?t=2174>

Jesus is present with us at four way at mass

- The priest, through the sacrament of Holy Orders
- Through the Word – The Bible Reading (John 1:1)
- Through the Eucharist – The Body and Blood of Christ
- Through the community – The Gathered Church, the people of God, is the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:27)

Eucharist means “Thanksgiving”

We shouldn't confuse the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ” with the American holiday of Thanksgiving. Instead we should know that Eucharist is the Greek word for Thanksgiving and used by the Gospel writers.

Jesus often gave thanks to God before his miracles.

- Then he took the seven loaves and the fish, gave thanks ([Matthew 15:36](#))
- Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them ([Luke 26:27](#))
- Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, ([John 6:11](#))

The Life of Christ

The Pascal Mystery

Passion, Death, Resurrection,
Ascension of Jesus +
Pentecost

Agony in the Garden

Jesus prays to the Father the
night before His Crucifixion



Crucifixion

Jesus dies on the cross on
Good Friday



Resurrection

Jesus rises three days after his crucifixion and we celebrate this for 50 days during the Easter Season and every Sunday.



Ascension

Jesus rises to Heaven 40
days after Easter.

Ascension Thursday is a Holy
Day of Obligation.



Pentecost

The coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and Mary.

It is the birthday of the Church. This is 50 days after Easter.

You will be sealed with the Holy Spirit at Confirmation.



The Paschal Mystery as the Fulfillment of Salvation History

