



Friends of Jesus and Mary

Cycle B - X Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 24, 3-8; Psalm 115; Hebrews 9, 11-15; Mark 14, 12-16. 22-26

Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Jesus

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him. Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover. While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

Reflection

The Feast of Unleavened Bread was started to remember God's liberating the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and it lasted 7 days. The 1st day, they sacrificed a perfect Lamb like in Egypt where its blood saved them from the 10th plague and freed them from slavery. Jesus sends 2 disciples to follow in the city a man carrying a jar of water and to ask his employer if they can have their Passover dinner at his house. How did Jesus know they would find the man? (Jesus is God and knows everything.) At dinner, Jesus blesses the bread and says, "Take it, this is my body." How can bread be the body of Jesus? (Jesus is God, almighty; He does a miracle changing the substance of the bread to His body, although the appearance stays the same. *Transubstantiation*) **Later**, Jesus takes the wine and says, "This is my blood." (Jesus does the same miracle with the wine.) Jesus continues: "blood of the covenant, which will be **shed for many."** ¿What is a covenant? (In the Old Testament, a covenant was surrendering to another creating a family relationship. Jesus wants us to be family. To seal the covenants, they would sacrifice an animal. Jesus surrenders Himself to be the perfect sacrifice so the covenant is perfect and eternal. He seals it with His own blood.) Do you believe Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist? What would you like to tell Him? Share.



Activity

On the following page, make the cross of the Prefigurations of the Eucharist by cutting, coloring and gluing the drawings to colored poster paper cut in ovals. Glue the descriptions on the back. Tape together in the form of a cross. On the other page, make a Eucharist card with a letter to Jesus. On the last page, complete the Word find.

Prayer

Lord, you nourish us each day physically and spiritually with your own body and blood. Your communion teaches us to share everything with others. Help us to be generous with one another, giving ourselves in service and in love. Stay with us. Amen.

Song: Eucharist Song, CollinsSusan (Ctrl Click) https://youtu.be/_GEqnKMN1zE

PPT: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cWeEPbYGWnEVMQOpMwzDNCFIBPUAOAIo/view?usp=sharing

Webpage: www.fcpeace.org



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Florida Center for Peace



God asked Abraham to sacrifice his only son Isaac. (Gen. 22:1-19)

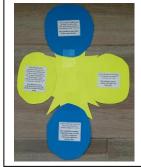
God sacrificed His only son.

God feeds the Israelites in the desert with manna from heaven. (Ex 16: 1-36)

God feeds us spiritually with Jesus in the Eucharist.







PREFIGURATIONS

(Representation beforehand of something)

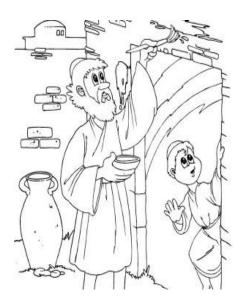
OF THE EUCHARIST

(Thanksgiving)



Jesus multiplies the bread and fish to feed the crowd. (Mathew 14: 13-21)

God multiplies the miracle changing the bread and wine to the body and blood of Christ to feed our spirit.



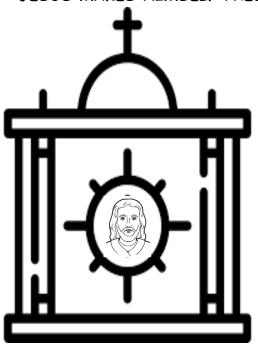
To free them from slaver, God asks the Israelites to sacrifice a lamb and put its blood over their door to save them from the 10th plague: the angle would kill the first born of the Egyptians. (Gen 46:1-7)

To free us from the slavery of sin, God sacrificed the perfect lamb, Jesus.





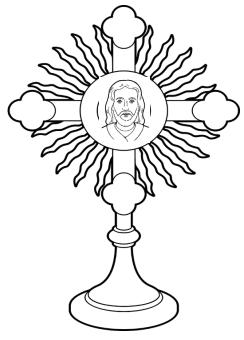
JESUS MAKES HIMSELF PRESENT IN THE EUCHARIST TO SHARE HIS LIFE WITH ME.



JESUS LIVES IN THE TABERNACLE



THE CONSECRATED HOST IS JESUS



WE ADORE HIM EXPOSED IN THE MONSTRANCE

INSTRUCTIONS: Cut rectangle with drawings above, color, and glue to ½ a colored construction paper. Cut the card below and write a short letter to Jesus telling Him how you feel about all He did for you. Glue to the other side of the paper.





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| Child Jesus | Present in the Host | Stay with me. | I love you Most. |

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History of Corpus Christi, The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. We celebrate it 60 days after Jesus' Resurrection.

This feast is born in Belgium thanks to a humble nun, St. Juliana of Mont Cornillon.





St. Juliana was born in 1193, orphaned very young and was educated by Augustinian nuns. She always had a strong devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

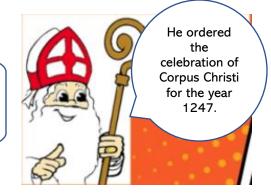


When she was 16 years old, she had a vision:

She saw a full moon (the Church) with a black stain which represented the absence of this feast.



The Bishop, Robert of Thorete was greatly impressed, and although he doubted, he did what Juliana asked.



Years later, in 1264, a priest, Peter of Prague, doubting the Real Presence of Jesus, makes a trip to Rome to ask for faith. He travels from Bohemia to Italy.



He visits a city close to Rome (Bolsena) where he celebrates Mass. Raising the Host, he saw it was bleeding staining the corporal (a special clothe where the chalice and host is placed).



EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES

God intervenes to CONFIRM the FAITH and the REAL PRESENCE OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS.



The relic was raised in procession to where the Pope lived. The Holy Father, moved by the miracle, approved the feast of Corpus Christi for the whole Church.





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