

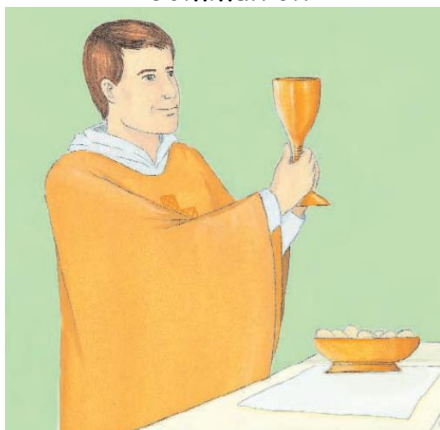


We give thanks to God for giving us Jesus in Holy Communion.

Here are some images showing what happens during the Mass at Holy Communion:

In the Eucharistic Prayer the priest does what Jesus did at the Last Supper.

'Take this, all of you and eat it: this is my body.'



'This is the cup of my blood.'
'Do this in memory of me.'

The priest uses the words Jesus used at the Last Supper.

The bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

Catholics receive Jesus in Holy Communion. Jesus joins us closer to himself, to God His Father and to one another.

When Catholics go forward in church to receive Jesus in Holy Communion, it is a very special time of thanks and praise.

The priest holds up the host and says, "**The Body of Christ.**"

The people respond "**Amen!**"

The Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion holds up the Chalice and says, "**The Blood of Christ,**" and the people respond "**Amen!**"

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Anyone who has not made their First Holy Communion can go up for a blessing. You show that you want a blessing by crossing your arms across your chest like this girl in the picture.

In your jotter or verbally to an adult, answer the following questions about Holy Communion:

- 1) Why do you think that in the pictures the priest is holding up the Host and the Chalice?
- 2) What are the people thanking God for?
- 3) How do people show receiving Communion is a very special time?

YOUR TASK



Can you annotate the pictures to **retell** the words spoken during Holy Communion?

You can use the template below or create your own in your jotter.

