

Christ instituted the Eucharist

Matthew 26:26-30 While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, “Take and eat; this is my body.”

²⁷ Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you,²⁸ for this is my blood

Mark 14:22-26 – same as Matthew

Luke 22:14-20 -Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me.

I Corinthians 11:23-26 – Paul recounts words of Luke

Real Presence-

John 6

Multiplication of Loaves & Fishes – people wanted to make Jesus King but he went away Jesus walking on the water.

People say give us a sign so we can believe in you.

Jesus says “I am the bread of life come down from Heaven”

They murmur cause they know his father & mother

Jesus says “I am the living bread & you must eat my flesh

Jews say “how can he do this?”

Jesus says unless you eat my flesh and drink my blood you have no life in you

Many disciples left, so Jesus said to his apostles Will you also leave?

Simon Peter answered him, “Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

⁶⁹We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.”

1 Corinthians 11:27-29 –

Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord

For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself.

Catechism #1373-1381

(read entire article #1322-1381 for entire section on the Eucharist)

Worship Commission By-Laws

Section 4: By participating in liturgical ministry, parishioners have the opportunity to serve the parish community. Ministry volunteers will have a special passion for liturgy and should adhere to some simple guidelines of behavior in addition to their specific ministerial duties. These include the following.

- Regular attendance at Mass on Sunday, holy days of obligation, and Holy Week.
- Be dependable when scheduled.
- Set the example for the congregation by never leaving Mass early, showing up on time, and dressing appropriately

It is a privilege to serve, not a right. If we do not fulfill expectations we will be asked to leave ministry.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion should be devout Catholics in good standing with the Church, never anyone “whose designation could cause astonishment to the faithful.” Those who do not fully adhere to and strive to live by Catholic Teaching should neither seek nor be admitted to this ministry.