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Unit 4 – Session 26 – The Eucharist Is Jesus' Body and Blood

Parents,

This week is about the Eucharist. Here is some vocabulary that may help you. This is not for your child but to help you as you explain this session to them.

- Chalice – The special cup used at Mass to hold the wine that, by the words of Consecration, is changed into the Precious Blood of Jesus. The chalice is often made of precious metal and is ornamented.
- Last Supper – The last meal shared between Jesus and His disciples. It took place on the night before He died on the Cross. Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper.
- Eucharist – The Sacrament in which we receive the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ under the appearances of bread and wine. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life. It is spiritual food for the soul. It is not merely a symbol, but is Jesus' true Flesh and Blood.
- Essential Elements of the Eucharist – That which is necessary for the bread and wine to be changed into the Holy Eucharist at Mass. They are: The words of Consecration spoken by the priest and the Bread and Wine.
- Minister of the Eucharist – An ordained Catholic priest who presides over or leads the Mass. Only a priest may consecrate or bless the bread and wine so that they become Jesus.
- Real Presence – Christ's true Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity contained in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine.
- State of Grace – The condition of having no mortal sin on one's soul

The students should learn.

- The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fish foreshadows the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper.
- Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper as a memorial of His Death and Resurrection and He commanded His Apostles to celebrate it until His return.
- At Mass, the bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.
- The Eucharist is a sacrifice of thanksgiving.

Here is what you need to do this week.

- Feeding the Five Thousand
 - Have your child look at the picture on page 215
 - What in this painting stands out to you most?
 - Who is in the forefront of the picture? (Jesus, Apostles, a young boy)
 - Who is in the background of the picture? Whom do you think they represent? (crowd, us)
 - What is Jesus holding? What is He doing? (Jesus is holding the bread and He is blessing it or praying over it)
 - What is the people's reaction? What does their body language tell you? (They are amazed at the miracle)
 - Imagine that you were present in the story, how would you react?
 - Complete online assignment Feeding the Five Thousand
 - Explain
 - that this miracle shows that God loves us and will always give us what we need if we ask.
 - The miracle is also a preview of the special bread Jesus will give us to help us on our journey to Heaven, the Eucharist. Remember the Eucharist is the Sacrament in which we receive the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ under the appearance of bread and wine.
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- It is spiritual food for our souls.
- It is actually the real Jesus, flesh and blood. Not a symbol.
- At the last supper Jesus performed another miracle. He took bread and said the blessing broke the bread and gave it to His disciples. Just like the last story, only this time Jesus doesn't multiply the bread, He change it into His Body and Blood as food not just for the body but for our souls.
- Complete the online assignment "Multiplication of the Loaves and Fish"
- Last Supper
 - Explain that you are going to read the Gospel about the Last Supper.
 - Read Matthew 26:17-20 and 26-30.
 - Ask the following questions
 - On what feast did the Last Supper take place? (Passover)
 - While Jesus and the disciples were eating, what did Jesus do? (He blessed and broke the bread.)
 - When Jesus took bread, what were the words He said? (Take and eat, this is my body)
 - When Jesus took the cup, what were the words that He said? (Drink from it, all of you, for this is my body of the covenant.)
 - How is the story of the Last Supper similar to the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fish? (The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves prefigured the Eucharist. Both stories contain miracles, both stories Jesus takes the bread, says the blessing, breaks the bread and gives it to His disciples and they eat. Jesus gives bread to supply for the needs of His people. In the miracle of the loaves and the fish, Jesus gave them bread for their physical hunger. At the Last Supper, Jesus gives us the Eucharist which is spiritual food for our body and soul)
- Real Presence
 - Explain
 - Jesus gave us bread and wine that He changed into His Body and Blood at the Last Supper. This is a miracle. Jesus is truly present to us in the Eucharist.
 - But why does Jesus give us His Body and Blood as food?
 - He gives us not just food for our body, but food for our very soul. He said to His disciples
 - I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever.
 - Jesus taught us that not only will He give us food so we aren't hungry, but He will give us His very Body and Blood. He says that in the Eucharist, we will have true food and true drink—we will have life because of Him and we will live forever. Jesus wants so much to be with us that He gives us the greatest gift we could ever imagine, His very life.
 - Even though our eyes see bread and wine, we know that it is really Jesus because of the gift of faith.
 - As followers of Jesus, it is important that we listen to what He tells us and believe that the Eucharist is truly His Body and Blood. The Eucharist contains His Real Presence. There is no part of Him that is not part of it.
 - The word "Eucharist" means "thanksgiving". Through Jesus' Death on the Cross we offer God the Father a sacrifice of praise.

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- Complete online “Real Presence activity”
- The Mass
- Turn to page 221
 - Read through the parts of the Last Supper and the Holy Mass and match them up.
 - Then read page 222 and then answer the questions together.
 - Complete the online Last Supper and the Mass activity and the Eucharist activity.