New Life in Jesus

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Pope Pius X wanted Catholics to receive Holy Communion often.

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The sacraments are holy signs. Each shows that God the Father is with us.

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The Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

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Baptism is the beginning of our new life in Jesus. We are saved from Original Sin and our personal sins in Baptism.

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Confirmation makes us stronger in faith through God's sanctifying grace. It helps us become better Christians.

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We receive the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist. This is called Holy Communion.

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Jesus promises to be with us always, and we experience his presence in the sacraments.

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Jesus chose Peter to lead the Church.

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Jesus Loves the Church

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A disciple is a person who follows the teachings of Jesus.

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The Holy Spirit comes to us in Baptism.

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The grace of the Holy Spirit helps us love others and welcome Jesus into our lives.

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We remember that Jesus is with us in the celebration of the Eucharist.

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The celebration of the Eucharist is also known as the Sacrifice of the Mass.

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Jesus wants us to love everyone, even our enemies.

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A ministry is service or work done for others.

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Many parishes have ministers of hospitality who welcome others to the church for Mass.

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Gathering for Mass

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Catholics go to Mass every Sunday and on special days.

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The priest and volunteers come to the altar during the Entrance Procession.

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The Scripture stories read at Mass come from a special book called the Lectionary for Mass.

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The priest explains the important message of the readings during the Homily.

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The ambo is the place in church where a lector reads Scripture stories.

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We express our belief in the Church's teachings by praying the Nicene Creed.

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The Bible readings and the Homily are two parts of the Liturgy of the Word. This is the time during Mass when we listen to God's Word from the Bible.

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The Liturgy of the Word ends when we pray together for anyone in need of prayers.

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The writers of the Gospels are called Evangelists. The Gospel writers are Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

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At Mass, we gather to praise God.





Celebrating the Eucharist

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Jesus gives us food that nourishes both our bodies and our souls.

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During the consecration, the priest repeats the words of Jesus at the Last Supper.

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Transubstantiation is when the wheat bread and grape wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ.

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Sunday is special because it is the Lord's Day.

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Jesus Christ is truly present in the Eucharist.

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The days other than Sunday when we go to Mass to remember great things God has done for us are called holy days of obligation.

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We fast from food and drink, except water, for at least one hour before Holy Communion.

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At Mass, we thank Jesus for giving himself to us. We think about Jesus' special gift of the Eucharist.

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Celebrating Lent and Holy Week

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Through God's grace, we can become the people he wants us to be.

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At Mass during Lent and Holy Week, we admit our sinfulness.

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During Lent, the church looks very plain, without flowers or decorations in the sanctuary.

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On Ash Wednesday, we are blessed with ashes on our foreheads as a sign that we are sorry for our sins and want to follow Jesus.

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Lent begins on Ash Wednesday.

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Jesus died for our sins so that we could live a new life.

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On Palm Sunday, we remember Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem.

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