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Eucharist: The Real Presence of Jesus

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Catholic Updates available for you to take home and keep. You will find them in the library on a bookcase shelf marked "G.R.A.C.E".

- "Real Presence in the Eucharist" by Jeffrey D. VonLehmen
This update invites you to look at the obvious—*our ordinary human experiences*—to help make sense of Eucharist & the real presence of Jesus.
- "Finding Jesus in the Eucharist: Four Ways He Is Present" by Lawrence E. Mick
"Where is Jesus?" is a key question for all of us who celebrate Eucharist at Sunday Mass. This update explores all the ways He is present.
- "The Liturgy of the Eucharist" by William H. Shannon
Our frequent participation in the Mass can easily blunt our appreciation of all that the Liturgy of the Eucharist involves. Taking time to reflect on it can enhance our active and conscious participation in this celebration.
- "Eucharist: A Short History" by Alfred McBride, O. Praem.
This Update reflects on six stages in the history of the Eucharist in the Western Church.
- "Eucharist: Heart of the Church", John Paul II's encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia* in condensed form
"They devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers." (Acts 2:42) Two thousand years later we continue to relive this image of Church from the Acts of the Apostles. Every time we celebrate Eucharist, we are brought back to the events of the Last Supper and to what followed it.
- "Eucharist: Food For Mission", John Paul II's Message *Eucharist & Mission*
At the end of each Eucharistic celebration, the presided leaves us with the words, "Go, the Mass is ended". These words are meant to send each of us out to be 'missionaries of the Eucharist' and to carry to every environment the great gift received in the Eucharist—the gift of the real presence of Christ.

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Books:

- The Mystery and Meaning of the Mass, by Joseph M. Champlin
This book hopes to respond to some of the mysteriousness that surrounds our Eucharistic ritual.
- Forming the Assembly to Celebrate the Mass and Worshiping Well, two books by Lawrence E. Mick
To participate fully in our Eucharistic celebration, we are invited to become more aware of what is taking place in the liturgy and what our role is.