

PARISH FAMILY ABLAZE (10-22-23): THE HOLY EUCHARIST—OFFERING AND REAL PRESENCE

PRAYERS

- I. “Signum Crucis”: “In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.”
- II. “Prayer to the Holy Spirit”
- III. Saint and Virtue:
 - A. Saint Luke
 - B. Compassion

TRUE/FALSE

1. When a communicant receives the Body of Christ during distribution of Holy Communion, he receives less of Christ than the priest who receives both the Body and Blood of Christ at the altar.
2. The hands of an ordained deacon are consecrated so that he can handle the Body of Christ, like the priest does.
3. The priest stands as a representative of the people whose faith, as a group, makes Jesus present in the Eucharist at Mass
4. Because he is ordained, the priest should, before God, acknowledge himself a worthy to offer the Sacrifice of the Mass, and the laity should see him as worthy.
5. In Latin, the Offertory Prayers for the Novus Ordo and the Traditional Latin Masses are almost the same.
6. We know at Mass that we receive Jesus only spiritually (as God) in our hearts, and the bread and wine symbolize this reception of God.
7. When Jesus spoke in the Gospel of John, Chapter Six, about giving His Flesh to eat and His Blood to drink, all the disciples eagerly accepted this teaching, for they knew He expressed these words and images only symbolically.
8. The priest serves at the altar during Mass “in the Person of Christ the Head.”
9. For the Sacrifice to be offered at Holy Mass, the priest offering the Mass must receive both the Body and the Blood after the double consecration.
10. Based on the teaching of the ordinary and universal magisterium of the Church, a woman can never be ordained as a priest.

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I. Our Understanding of the Applications of the Offering of the Sacrifice of the Mass:

TLM—“Receive, O Holy Father, almighty and eternal God, this spotless host, which I, Thine unworthy servant, offer unto Thee, my living and true God, for my countless sins, trespasses, and omissions; likewise for all here present, and all faithful Christians, whether living or dead, that it may avail both me and them to salvation, unto life everlasting. Amen.”

NO—“Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.”

Chalice of Salvation/Wine

TLM—“We offer unto Thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation, beseeching Thy clemency that it may ascend as a sweet odor before Thy divine majesty, for our own salvation, and for that of the whole world. Amen.”

NO—“Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.”

II. The Real Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist:

A. Whole Christ:

1. All the attributes of His Divinity:
 - a. His divine nature as God
 - b. The Second Person of the Trinity
2. All the physical parts and properties of His risen humanity:
 - a. Body
 - b. Blood
 - c. Soul

B. Presence: Truly, Really, Substantially

1. Truly (Actually)—Not only symbolically
2. Really—Objectively, not only subjectively in the believer
3. Substantially—Not only spiritually:
 - a. Accidents—What is perceptible to the senses
 - b. Two Species—Accidents of bread and wine
 - c. Substance = Body/Blood/Soul/Divinity

- III. Concomitance—Whole Christ is present under each species
 - A. First Consecration—The Body:
 - 1. Substance of the Body is made present
 - 2. Because Christ is indivisible, by concomitance, His Blood, Soul, Divinity and Personhood are also present
 - 3. Whole Christ is present in each observable fragment of the Sacred Host, no matter how small
 - B. Second Consecration—The Precious Blood:
 - 1. Substance of the Precious Blood is made present
 - 2. Because Christ is indivisible, by concomitance, His Body, Soul, Divinity, and Personhood are also present

DISCUSSION QUESTION

Psalm 23 quotes King David as singing—“Thou prepares a table before me in the presence of my foes” (RSV Bible—Catholic Edition). What does this image and these words mean for the Church Militant engaged in warfare with her enemies everywhere and on all sides?

QUESTIONS FOR FATHER JACK

MISSION/FINAL PRAYER AND BLESSING