

REFLECT & PRAY

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

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We Celebrate

The Eucharist, Liturgy and the Sacraments



OPENING PRAYER

God our Father
We gather together to share in the supper which
your only Son left to his church to reveal his
love.
He gave it to us when he was about to die and
commanded us to celebrate it as the new and
eternal sacrifice.
Make that every time we celebrate this
Eucharist we may find the fullness of love and
life.

*Based on 'Opening Prayer' Holy
Thursday liturgy*



CONCLUDING PRAYER

A Psalm of Thanksgiving

Praise God, all the earth
Sing psalms to the glory of his name
Let's all come together
Glorify him with our praises
Say to God, 'How awesome you are!'

Come and listen, all who fear God,
While we listen
We read about all he has done for us,
To him we cry aloud,
High praise was on our tongues.

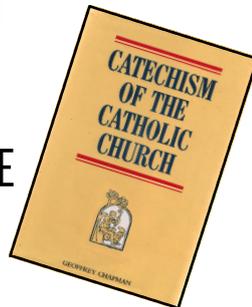
Come and bring your offerings
Offer him what you bring
All good things come from him
All that we own.

Blessed be God
Who has not turned away our prayer
Nor his own faithful love for us.
Blessed be God.

based on Psalm 66

REFLECT

From THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH



The Eucharist

It was above all on 'the first day of the week',
Sunday, the day of Jesus' Resurrection,
that the Christians met 'to break bread'.
From that time on down to our own day the
celebration of the Eucharist has been
continued so that today we encounter it
everywhere in the Church with the same
fundamental structure. It remains the
centre of the Church's life.

The Sacraments

It is in the Sacraments, especially in the
Eucharist, that Christ Jesus works in
fullness for the transformation of men.

paragraphs 1343 and 1074

