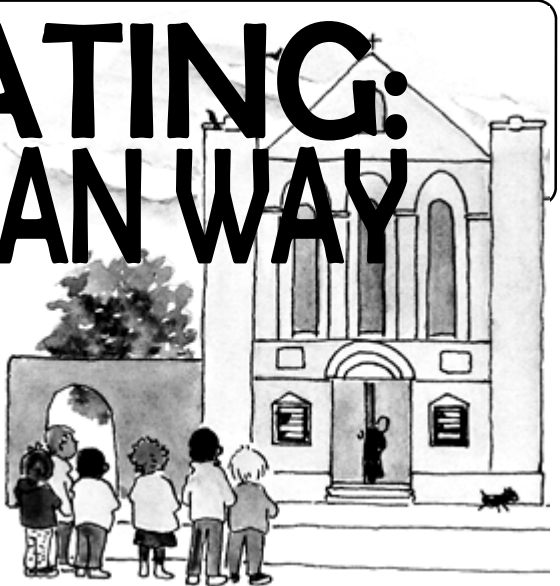


UNIT
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CELEBRATING: THE CHRISTIAN WAY

We celebrate



A Think of a special occasion you celebrate.

What is the occasion?	A black and white illustration of a group of people in formal attire celebrating. They are raising their arms and holding confetti. There are streamers and a large number '1' in the background.
How do you celebrate?	
Why do you celebrate this occasion?	

Our most important celebration  **THE HOLY MASS**

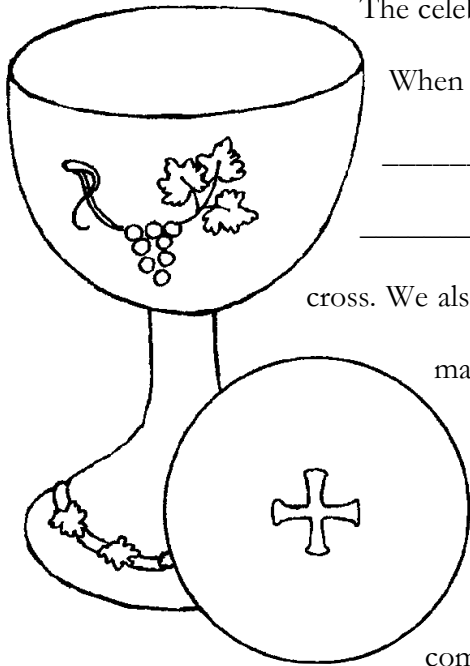
B I go to Mass because ...

	A black and white illustration of a priest in vestments standing at an altar. He has his arms outstretched. On the altar are two lit candles and two chalices. In front of the altar, a woman is holding a young girl, and another young child is standing nearby. They appear to be participating in a religious ceremony.

C

Complete the following passage using the following key words:

remember — present — resurrection — consecration — Holy Communion — Last Supper — sacrifice — Liturgy — Word — celebrate — Bible — Eucharist.



The celebration of the Holy Mass is also called the _____.

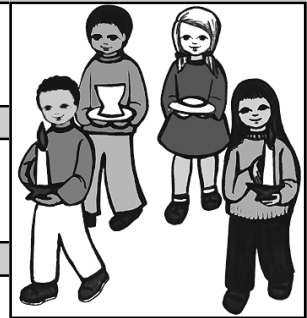
When we come together to _____ the Mass, we _____ what Jesus did at the _____ and we renew Jesus' _____ on the cross. We also remember his _____ to new life. The two main parts of the Mass are the _____ of the _____ and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. At Mass God speaks to us in the words of the _____. Later Jesus becomes truly _____ at the _____. He comes to us in _____.

Going to Mass is not just going in the church building. It means taking part.

It means CELEBRATING.

D

How can I improve the way I take part in this celebration.

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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.



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