

*"The Body of Christ."*

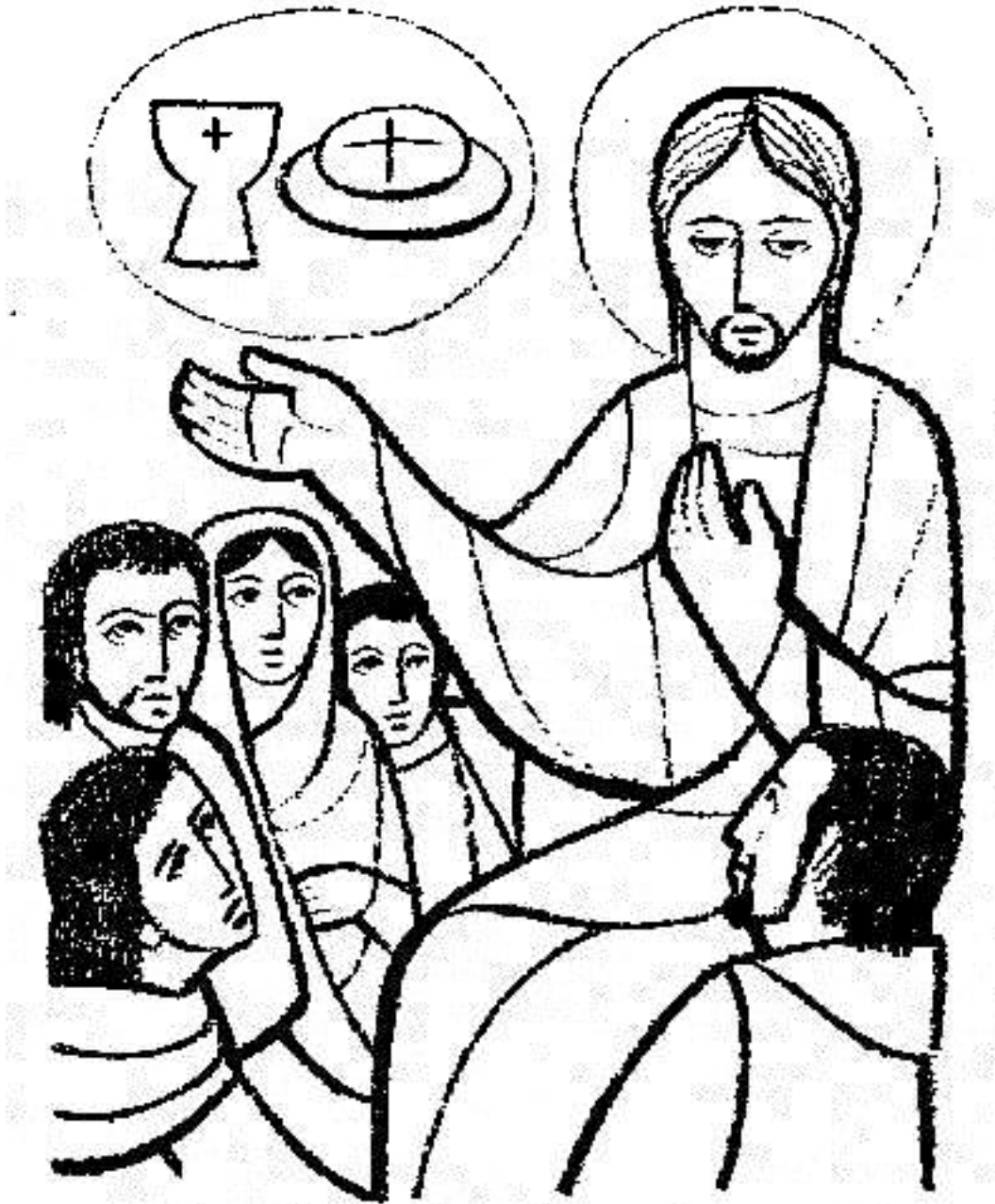


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*Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd.*



Today, we celebrate **The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ**, also known as “*Corpus Christi*”. We read from **Luke 9:11B-17**.

In Luke’s Gospel reading for today, Jesus spoke to the crowds gathered around him, teaching and healing. His disciples came to him, warning him that the crowds needed to be dismissed to find food. Instead Jesus told them to gather food from the crowd. They had only five loaves of bread and two fish, which Jesus blessed and broke. With this, the entire crowd was fed, and the leftover food filled twelve baskets.

At your parish today, you may hold a special “procession” or parade to celebrate the **real presence** of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. If you have not yet made your First Holy Communion, pray in a special way today for your heart to be unified with Jesus. If you have received First Communion, pray today in a special way

to treasure the gift of the Eucharist.

### For More Fun:

- ✓ Read the **Gospel passage** in your family bible. Discuss as a family how we are spiritually “fed” by the Body and Blood of Christ. As we continue the **Year of Faith**, pray the **Creed** (available at <http://goo.gl/8y2Qu>) as a family this week.
- ✓ During the month of June, we celebrate in a special way the Sacred Heart of Jesus and on June 15 we celebrate the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Find a special craft for this celebration at <http://catholicmom.com/?p=30528>.
- ✓ This week, we celebrate the life of **St. Boniface** (6/5). Learn more about the lives of the saints at [www.Saints.SQPN.com](http://www.Saints.SQPN.com).
- ✓ Support our ministry this week by purchasing Lisa Hendey’s book: **A Book of Saints for Catholic Moms** at Amazon, Barnes & Noble or your local Catholic bookstore. Thank you for your support!
- ✓ We love to hear from you! Email me at [lisa@catholicmom.com](mailto:lisa@catholicmom.com) to let me know where you live and where you go to Church!

“You are a priest for ever,  
in the line of Melchizedek.”