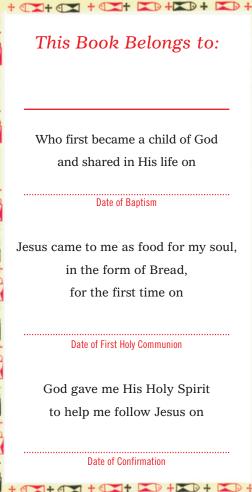


# **JESUS** OUR GREATEST GIFT TO GOD (Consecration) GOD'S GREATEST GIFT TO US

(Communion)



## THE ORDER OF MASS

#### THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

### ENTRANCE CHANT STAND

All make the Sign of the Cross:

PRIEST: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**PEOPLE**: Amen.

#### THE GREETING

One of the following forms is used: (Shown by A, B, or C)

Α

PRIEST: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,

and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**PEOPLE:** And with your spirit.

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-OR-

PRIEST: Grace to you and peace from God our Father

and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**PEOPLE:** And with your spirit.

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PRIEST: The Lord be with you. PEOPLE: And with your spirit.



#### THE GOSPEL

#### God Speaks to Us through Christ

The Priest reads the Gospel in the name of Jesus, and Jesus himself becomes present among us through his word.

DEACON (or Priest):

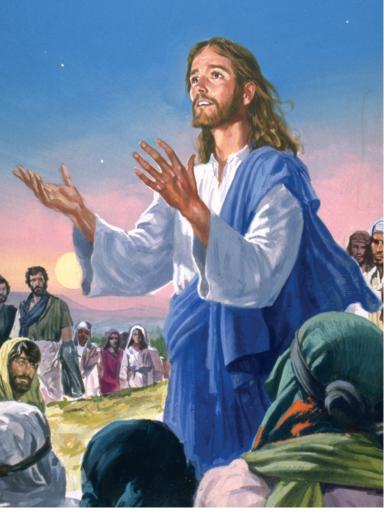
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**PEOPLE:** And with your spirit.



#### THE COLLECT

The Priest prays in the name of all who are present. He asks God for the graces we need.



Jesus Speaks about God the Father

#### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

#### (CONFESSION)

Jesus knew that even though his example and help would aid us to be better, we would fail him sometimes by sinning. That is why he left us the Sacrament of Penance. In this Sacrament, Jesus comes to forgive our sins and brings peace with God and with the Church, which is hurt by our sins. We must be truly sorry for doing wrong and sincerely try to do better.

#### **Examination of Conscience**

Before confessing my sins to a priest so that they may be forgiven, I must tell Jesus how sorry I am and how much I need his help. Then I must try to remember my sins by examining my conscience. Her are some helps:

• Have I tried to understand how necessary God is in my life? Since my last confession how often have I prayed to him, how often have I preferred to ignore him? Why have I done these things?

• Have I been my best at home—toward my parents, my brothers and sisters, my work, my friends? If I have not, why haven't I? I cannot do better unless I try to know why I have done wrong.

• Have I been the best student I can be? Do I pay attention, study hard, do my homework, respect my teachers? Am I kind to other children; do I respect school property? Can I