

CORPUS CHRISTI

Collect

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your
passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruits of your redemption;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

1 Corinthians 11:23–26

For I received from the Lord what I also
handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the
night when he was betrayed took a loaf of
bread, and when he had given thanks, he
broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for
you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the
same way he took the cup also, after supper,
saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my
blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in
remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat
this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the
Lord's death until he comes.

John 6:51–58

I am the living bread that came down from
heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live
for ever; and the bread that I will give for the
life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves,
saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to
eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell
you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of
Man and drink his blood, you have no life in
you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my
blood have eternal life, and I will raise them
up on the last day; for my flesh is true food
and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my
flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in
them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I
live because of the Father, so whoever eats
me will live because of me. This is the bread
that came down from heaven, not like that
which your ancestors ate, and they died. But
the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Post Communion Prayer

All praise to you, our God and Father,
for you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and quenched our thirst from the true vine:
hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ,
we may grow together in unity
and feast with him in his kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.