The Eucharist, although it is the fullness of sacramental life, is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.

- Pope Francis
Gathering:

As We Gather at Your Table


We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
First Scripture: *Second Book of Kings 4:42-44*

The prophet Elisha is brought twenty barley loaves, which he sets before a crowd of one hundred. All eat, and there is plenty of food left over.

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145: The Hand of the Lord Feeds Us**

Joseph Gelineau, SJ

\[\text{The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.}\]

All your works shall thank you, O Lord, and all your faithful ones bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign, and declare your mighty deeds.

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.
You open your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is just in all his ways, and holy in all his deeds.
The Lord is close to all who call him, who call on him in truth.


Second Scripture: *Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians 4:1-6*

One body, one Lord, one Faith, one baptism.
Paul calls the Ephesians to a life of humility, patience and gentleness. He says, “Preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit.”
Many people press around Jesus. Seeing they are hungry, he takes bread and fish, blesses them, and gives them out. When all have eaten, the leftover fragments fill twelve baskets.

**Gospel: John 6:1–15**

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**Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Prayer of the Faithful - Lord, Hear Our Prayer**

Verse: A great prophet has risen in our midst.
God has visited his people.
Preparation of Gifts

Eucharistic Acclamations:  

**HOLY**

My Mystery of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

**AMEN**


**LAMB OF GOD**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Final repeat: world, grant us peace.

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Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man no more.

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all.

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