If you have ever been at Mass and wondered just what it is all about and why it seems so important, this little book is for you.


When I was born, I became a member of the
family.


## When I was baptized, I became a member of 's family.



Jesus invites God's family

## to come together

to celebrate the Mass.


God's family is called the C

## The Mass is a holy meal.



A meal should be a happy time when the family is at peace with one another and God. Sins destroy our peace. At the beginning of Mass, we ask forgiveness of God and each other so that we may really be one family.

I confess to almighty God, and to you,
my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned,
_ in my thoughts and in my words,
_ in what I have done
_ and in what I have
failed to do,
through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore l ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to our everlasting life. Amen.

At the Mass, we talk to God Our Father in our prayers.

At the Mass, God our father talks to us in the readings.


The readings come from the

## The Bible is the word of God.

The Lord be with you. And with your Spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

## Wel _ _ _ _ carefully.



We try to u what God is saying to us.

## The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



We all belong to one family. We pray for each other.

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