

Welcome to the Family of the Most Holy Eucharist. We believe that the Eucharist, Jesus Christ Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity is the center of all Christian faith and should be the center of our lives. That is why it is necessary for us, the Body of Christ, to come together in a dedicated space to worship Him.

"It is good that we are here." St. Peter said these words to Jesus in the Gospel of St. Matthew, and we say them to you now. It is good that you are here. Whatever you are looking for, whatever your heart longs for, the Catholic Church is here to help you live life to the fullest.

"There are not one hundred people in the United States who hate the Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly perceive the Catholic Church to be." - *Venerable Fulton Sheen*

"The Church is the People that God gathers in the whole world. She exists in local communities and is made real as a liturgical, above all a Eucharistic, assembly."

- Catechism of the Catholic Church #752

WHAT IS THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

When you hear the word "church," what comes to mind? A building? A religious institution? A priest or a saint? The Church is, among other things, people, God's people, the people He gathers in the whole world. The Church is lived in local communities and is seen and becomes real when her members pray together, especially at Mass. The Church is a family of believers and this family is marked by certain characteristics.

- Catechism of the Catholic Church #782
 - We are God's people, not the other way around.
 - You become a member of this family through baptism, not birth.
 - Jesus is the head of the family.
 - The Holy Spirit dwells within our hearts.
 - Our rule is to love as Jesus loved us.
 - Our mission is to be salt of the earth and light of the world.

That is who we are. That is the Catholic Church. And we want you to be a part of the family.

Are you interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Contact Kristina Krimm at kkrimm@lourdes.org or 513-347-2636 for more information.