



Prior Knowledge:
The Eucharist challenges and enables living and growing in communion

Memorial Sacrifice

Big Question
Why do we need memories?



Recall a time when you were thanked. How was the gratitude expressed? How did you feel? How are relationships deepened in everyday life? The Eucharist is a memorial sacrifice in the Jewish sense of remembering, that is it makes present a past reality. It is a memorial of Christ's sacrifice on the Cross, through which Christ gives his body and blood for the salvation of all people and provides hope for the future.

Key Vocabulary

Memories, significant, memorial sacrifice, Passover, Pesach, host, chalice, liturgy of the Eucharist, Eucharistic Prayer, consecration, adoration, genuflect, acclamation

Questions of meaning and purpose?

Why do some things evoke memories?
Why are memories important?
How is it possible to keep important memories alive?

Can you recall a memory that is outstanding for you? How do you keep the memory alive?
Perhaps you have mementos that you keep at home to refer back to your outstanding memory.

CHURCH TEACHING

This is an outline of the teaching of the Church covered in **MEMORIAL SACRIFICE**:

- Passover in Exodus.
- The institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper.
- The Eucharist as a memorial sacrifice of Jesus.
- Transubstantiation through the power of the Holy Spirit, of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ
- The real presence of Christ in the Eucharist.
- Proclaiming the mystery of faith.
- Eucharistic prayer II.
- Sacrifice in daily life.



PSHE Links:

- Being Me
- Exploring Emotions
- Relationships
- Differences and Diversity
- Being Responsible



Songs and Hymns

About Communion,
Holy, Holy

Scripture:

Exodus 13: 3
Luke 22: 14-20

Additional Links

Depiction of the *Last Supper*
Quotations from Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Prayer and Reflection

Lord Jesus Christ,
in you we know the love of God.
When we gather together in your name we experience the marvel of your loving presence which challenges us to live for one another.
Help us to follow your example so that we may never become complacent.
Help us to listen to your constant call to us
to continue the work you began, you who lived and died for us.
Grant this through your Spirit of Love.
Amen.
(Prayer for Unity of Christians)