

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST: PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Before Mass begins, bread and wine are placed on a table at the back of the church. Now members of the parish family carry the bread and wine up to the altar. The collection is taken and brought up to the altar with the gifts.

Offering the bread the priest prays:

"Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
For through your goodness we have received the bread we
offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it
will become for us the bread
of life."

Everyone responds, "Blessed be God for ever."



Offering the wine the priest prays:

"Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
For through your goodness we have received the wine we
offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will
become our spiritual drink."

Everyone responds, "Blessed be God for ever."