



CHRIST IN THE PRIEST CELEBRANT

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- being attentive to the voice of the Good Shepherd
- “we are his people, the sheep of his flock”
- the role of the priest at Mass, who ministers in the person of Christ the Head (in persona Christi capitis)
- the Mass as sacrifice; the priest as one who offers sacrifice
- the connection between the crucifix, the priest, and the Eucharist - all essential elements of the Mass, all pointing to the Paschal Mystery
- the Deacon/Eucharistic Minister: receives Holy Communion (the Body of Christ) from the priest, (the icon of Christ) and then is commissioned to turn and hand on Christ (the Eucharist) to the Church (the Body of Christ) and the world; all the faithful are all called to do the same, not necessarily with the Blessed Sacrament itself, but as Christ’s hands and feet in the world
- Vocations - called to minister to God’s flock