LESSON TWO

Intro

- Chaldean Mass is also called Raze, meaning Mysteries.
- Mass is where we come to lift our minds, while our eyes contemplate what is before us.
- The Church depends on external gestures to help the faitful express themselves and their faith.

THE MYSTERIES

CHALDEAN MASS

The Mass is making our salvation a concrete reality.

Church Building/Objects

The Church building is seen as the creation divided into two parts.

The sanctuary: located in the front, usually elevated, it represents heaven.

in the Sanctuary, we see:

- Altar: Has many symbols throughout mass. The main focus is that it is the place that Jesus dies and rises.
- Gospel
- Lamp: placed next to the tabernacle representing Jesus as Eternal.
- Tabernacle: Where the Body of Jesus is kept after Mass.
- Two podiums: They are used for the mass readings from old testament and new testament.
- Candles

The Nave: The larger part of the Church where people attending the Mass sit. it

People participating at mass.

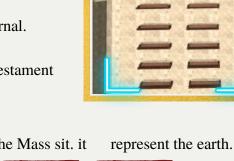
• Priest: Priests/Ordained Ministers representing and standing in the place of Christ during the Mass.

Servers

- Servers/Sub-deacons/Deacons: They are representing the angels, surrounding the altar of God. They guide the faithful in their experience of worship.
- **The people:** They are baptized individuals chosen by God to be there. They represent an earthly choir. They are the ones the Mass is being offered for.

Vestments/Clothing

- Alb: The priest wears this prior to offering mass recalling what Christ would have worn. By wearing an Alb, a Priest is reminding himself and the people that the focus is on Christ.
- Cincture: a Priest wears the rope around their waist as a symbol of chastity. Priest offering the sacrament must keep themselves Holy and pure.
- Stole Hangs over the shoulders on top of the Alb. The stole symbolizes the authority given to the priest to offer the sacraments.
- Cope: Covers the shoulders of the Priest and drapes down to his ankles. This represents justice through the work of Christ that the Priest has been justified to offer the sacrament.



Priest

