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Mary's pivotal role in Christianity extends beyond being the mother of Jesus. Her consent to become the mother of the Messiah paved the way for the Incarnation, ultimately leading to the gift of the Eucharist. This essay explores how Mary's role in giving birth to Jesus intertwines with the Eucharist and discusses ways to share this beautiful gift with others, thereby reflecting Jesus' love for all humanity.

Mary's acceptance of God's will signifies her essential role in the Incarnation. If Jesus Christ is the bridge between God and Man, then Mary is the bridge between humanity and divinity. A divine Person enters the world through a human mother. Through Mary's obedience and humility, Jesus is born, bringing salvation to the world.

At the Last Supper, Jesus created the Eucharist, transforming bread and wine into his body and blood. This sacrament symbolizes the sacrificial love of Jesus, who offers himself for the redemption of humanity. Mary's connection to the Eucharist lies in her role as the mother of our savior. The body of Jesus Christ that we experience in the Eucharist is the same body that first took human flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To continue our faith, we must share the gift of the Eucharist, which involves both participation in the sacrament and manifesting its power. First, actively participating in Mass and receiving the Eucharist allows us to deepen our understanding and faith in Christ and experience his presence in a special way. Through this special sacrament, we receive spiritual care and are united with the body of Christ. Furthermore, sharing the gift of the Eucharist extends beyond the church walls. As students, we can share this gift with others by representing Jesus' love and

compassion in our interactions with family, friends, and strangers. Acts of kindness, forgiveness, and mercy reflect the selfless love of Christ, making his presence visible to the world.

The Blessed Mary's substantial role in giving birth to Jesus paved the way for the gift of the Eucharist, which symbolizes Christ's sacrificial love for all humanity. By actively participating in the Eucharist celebration and embodying its evolutionary power in daily life, we can share this gift with others and reflect Jesus' love for all. Mary said yes, through that the Eucharist starts. Our Catholic faith is a gift, a blessing, a torch worth passing on. We have passed on the torch by acts of kindness, forgiveness, and hospitality, for two thousand twenty-four years. We can embrace and become vessels of Jesus' love, inviting others to pass the grace and gift of communion with God.