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Reflection Paper: The Importance of the Holy Eucharist

- a) In There Be Dragons, we see characters struggle with the heavy burden of forgiveness especially in the context of betrayal and guilt. The Eucharist is central to the Catholic understanding of forgiveness it's a reminder of Christ's love and His willingness to forgive us no matter our sins. When we receive the Eucharist we are called to extend that forgiveness to others, just as Christ has forgiven us. This sacrament helps us to heal, reconcile, and let go of the past.
- b) The film also shows the tension between worldly ambitions things like power and wealth and spiritual calling. St. Josemaría Escrivá's life was all about focusing on God's will rather than chasing after material success. The Eucharist helps us remember what truly matters. It encourages us to seek fulfillment through our relationship with Christ, not through fleeting things of this world. The Eucharist draws us back to our spiritual purpose, reminding us that true satisfaction comes from aligning ourselves with God's plan.
- c) St. Josemaría Escrivá's life was marked by struggles but through it all, he remained deeply devoted to the Eucharist. In moments of suffering, the Eucharist is a source of strength. It reminds us that Christ too suffered for us, and by receiving the Eucharist we unite ourselves with Him. It gives us hope and spiritual sustenance during the toughest times just as it did for St. Josemaría.