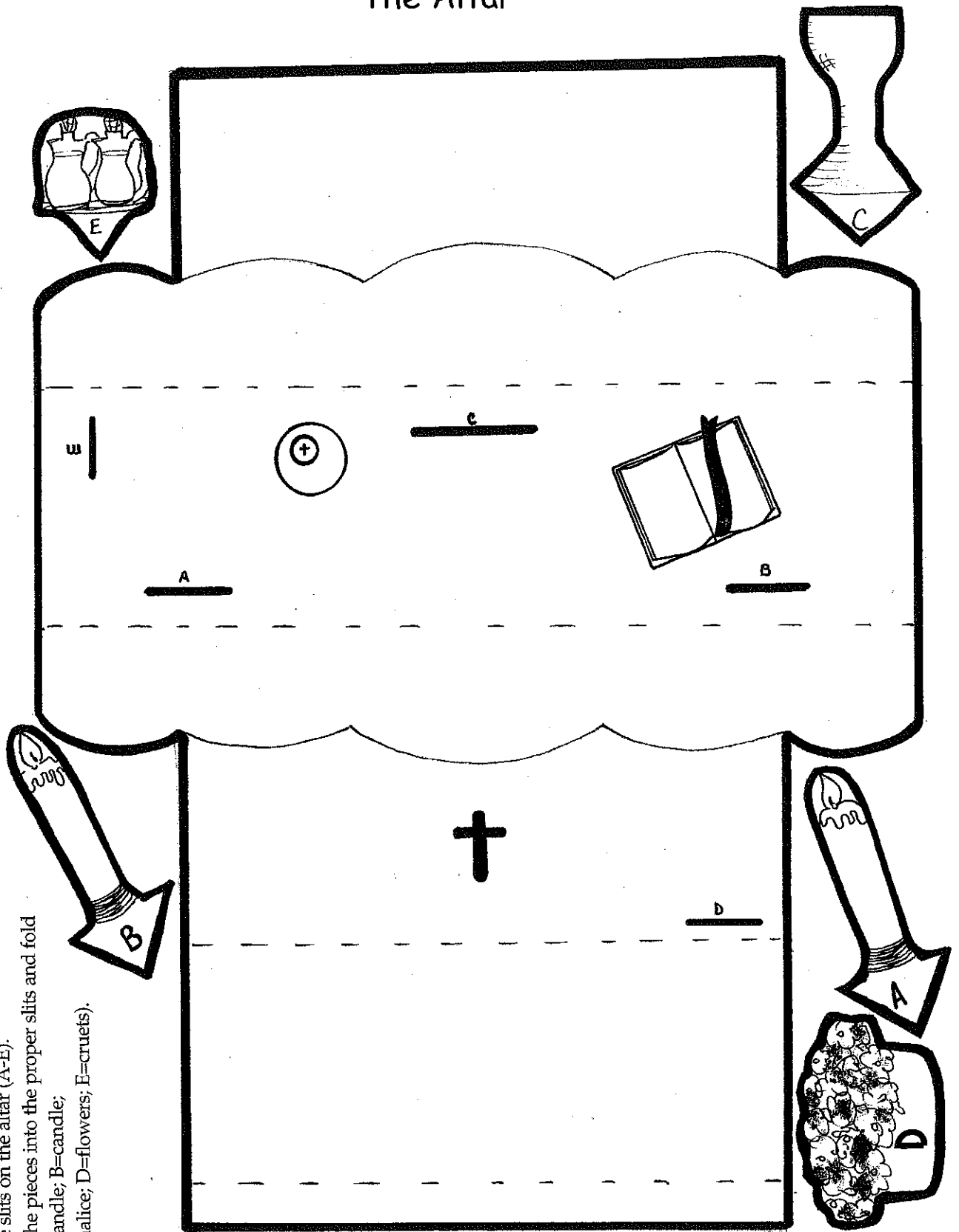


The Altar



Things on the Altar

Directions:

1. Color and cut out the altar and items
2. Cut the slits on the altar (A-E).
3. Insert the pieces into the proper slits and fold

(A=candle; B=candle;
C=chalice; D=flowers; E=cruets).

The altar is a table much like a family dining table. It is in the center of the sanctuary (holy place) so everyone can see what is going on. Candles on or near the altar remind us that Jesus is the light of the world. Most importantly, the altar holds the bread and wine for the consecration. The cup the priest uses is the *chalice*. The plate the priest uses is the *paten*. The paten holds the host. Small pitchers, called *cruets*, are used to pour water and wine. The priest reads from the Mass book, called the *Sacramentary*. It is on the altar too.

