

THE MASS We gather together to pray and celebrate Jesus' sacrifice and love for us. We invite you to join us in prayer. These pages will take you through the Mass, whether you are new to our community, our Faith, or just want to participate more fully. The italicized sections explain posture, plain text is the priest's or leader's part, and bold text denotes our response as the gathered Body of Christ.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

During this part of the Mass, we hear God's Word proclaimed. We listen to preaching, which makes Scripture come alive again today, and we express our Catholic faith.

INTRODUCTORY RITE

Please stand for the entrance and opening hymn.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The grace of our Lord...be with you all.

And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Brothers and sisters...celebrate the sacred mysteries

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Repeat after the priest:

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

OR Kyrie, eleison. Christe, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Please sit to receive the Word of God.

First Reading...The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm*: **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Second Reading...The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please stand to receive the Gospel.

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to ...

Glory to You, O Lord.

...The word of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

Please sit as we listen to a reflection from the clergy.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Please stand as we proclaim the creed together.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. *(please bow during this profession) For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Please stand as we pray for our community, united with the entire Body of Christ.

After each intention, reply:

Open our eyes to see You.

*The Responsorial Psalm may vary.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

In this part of the Mass, we re-experience Jesus' sacrifice. We acknowledge that He is present in the consecrated Bread and Wine—Communion. We pray together and take what we have received in Mass home and into the world.

THE OFFERTORY

As we bring up the bread and wine, we also offer our prayers, gifts, and even ourselves to be placed before God and be transformed.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Blessed are You, Lord... the bread of life.

Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are You, Lord... become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God forever.

Pray...to God, the almighty Father.

Please stand and reply:

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His holy Church.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel in reverence for Christ coming in His Eucharist.

...The mystery of faith.

We proclaim Your Death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection until You come again.

OR

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim Your Death, O Lord, until You come again.

OR

Save us, Savior of the world, for by Your Cross and Resurrection, You have set us free.

THE GREAT AMEN

Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

Please stand as we pray together.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

At the Savior's command... we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Deliver us, Lord ... Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever.

THE SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

At this time we exchange a sign of sharing God's peace by offering a handshake, hug, smile, or nod; whatever you feel most comfortable with.

LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. 2x

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Please kneel as we prepare to receive the Body of Christ.

Behold the Lamb of God...the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION

Christ's Body and Blood are truly, fully present as He offers Himself to us in Communion. Catholics prepared to receive the Eucharist approach the minister as the ushers guide you. Non-Catholics or those choosing to abstain from Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing (please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest) or may remain in the pews to pray.

CONCLUDING BLESSING

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**