

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

The Opening Comments help us to focus on the lessons of Sacred Scripture and the liturgical action to come.

All stand and join in the Gathering Song / Entrance Processional which comes from the Gather Hymnal 3rd Edition, the blue book. Please replace in rack after use.

If you have to leave to use the restroom or for any other reason, please be mindful of the rest of the assembly at prayer. Movement should be minimized particularly during the readings and the Eucharistic Prayer.

We ask that if children under 12 years of age need to use the restroom, an adult should accompany them.

INTRODUCTORY RITE

P. In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

All. AMEN.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All. AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.

P. *Introductory comments and an invitation to seek reconciliation with one another and forgiveness from God for our sins.*
Lord, have mercy.

All. LORD, HAVE MERCY.

P. Christ, have mercy.

All. CHRIST, HAVE MERCY.

P. Lord, have mercy.

All. LORD, HAVE MERCY.

GLORY TO GOD

(sung – omitted during Advent and Lent)

COLLECT (Opening Prayer)

P. Let us pray.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son
... One God for ever and ever.

All. AMEN.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

At the 8:30AM Sunday Mass, children 4 years and older who have not yet received First Communion may be invited forward for dismissal to listen to Sacred Scripture at their level of understanding. Adult and teen catechists will lead the lesson downstairs in the O'Brien Family Room. Parents or older siblings are welcome to accompany the children. They will return to the church to join their families at the start of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. All are seated.

FIRST READING

Lector. The Word of the Lord.

All. THANKS BE TO GOD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The cantor (song leader) leads a sung Refrain or Antiphon which the assembly repeats once, and again after each sung verse or strophe.

SECOND READING

Lector. The Word of the Lord.

All. THANKS BE TO GOD.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All stand.

The cantor (song leader) leads the assembly in song.

GOSPEL READING

The priest celebrant or assisting deacon reads from one of the four gospels.

P. The Lord be with you.

All. AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.

All. GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.

After the reading concludes:

P. The Gospel of the Lord.

All. PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.

HOMILY

All are seated.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

All stand.

P. I believe in one God,

All. THE FATHER, THE 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

(please bow)

WAS INCARNATE OF THE VIRGIN MARY, AND BECAME MAN.

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.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

The Lector reads several petitions in the name of the gathered assembly.

Lector. We pray to the Lord.

All. LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

All are seated and join in song as the altar is prepared for the offerings. Bread and wine are brought forward, while the collection is taken up for the work of the parish and the support of the needy.

At the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass, the children return from downstairs to join their families.

P. Pray, my sisters and brothers, ...

All. MAY THE LORD ACCEPT THIS SACRIFICE AT YOUR HANDS, FOR THE PRAISE AND GLORY OF HIS NAME, FOR OUR GOOD, AND THE GOOD OF ALL HIS HOLY CHURCH.

All stand.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

P. Through Christ our Lord.

All. AMEN.

PREFACE

P. The Lord be with you.

All. AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.

P. Lift up your hearts.

All. WE LIFT THEM UP TO THE LORD.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All. IT IS RIGHT AND JUST.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

The assembly joins in the song of the angels at the eternal banquet in the Book of Revelation.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

All kneel. This is a sacred and solemn part of the liturgy where the Lord's last meal with his apostles is recalled, and the Words of Institution spoken over the bread and wine, which we firmly believe are transformed into the Body and Blood of the Lord. If you choose not to kneel, you may be seated. But please be mindful of the person behind you who will most likely be kneeling as well.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

An acclamation is sung by all.

DOXOLOGY & GREAT AMEN.

In response the assembly sings "Amen."

LORD'S PRAYER

All stand. You may join hands if you so choose.

**ALL. 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.**

P. Deliver us, Lord, from every evil ...

**All. FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER,
AND THE GLORY ARE YOURS
NOW AND FOREVER.**

P. The peace of the Lord
be with you always.

All. AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.

P. Let us offer one another
a sign of Christ's peace.

It is customary to shake hands with those closest to you. This gesture is symbolic of your desire to be at peace with all, even those beyond your reach.

*Greet others by saying: PEACE BE WITH YOU;
and respond with AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT.*

LAMB OF GOD

While this song is being sung, the priest breaks the bread in preparation for Communion. All kneel.

COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God ...

**All. LORD, I AM NOT WORTHY THAT
YOU SHOULD ENTER UNDER MY
ROOF, BUT ONLY SAY THE WORD
AND MY SOUL SHALL BE HEALED.**

The discipline of the Roman Catholic Church does not permit us to invite everyone to the Table as yet.

**IF YOU ARE CATHOLIC AND ARE
DISPOSED TO RECEIVE EUCHARIST,
YOU MAY COME FORWARD.**

Communion is taken directly on the tongue, or received in the palm of your hand. You will need to open your mouth and stick your tongue out to avoid getting the Communion Minister's fingers wet. Or receive in your hand and place it in your mouth. Sit or kneel when you return to your place. Due to the limitations of our church space, we ask that you please receive Communion standing up, not kneeling. A reverent bow will suffice while the person ahead of you receives.

If you are receiving from the Cup, hold with both hands. Take a small sip, and return the Cup to the Communion Minister. If you do not wish to take from the Cup, you may walk past the Communion Minister on your way back to your seat.

If you are not Catholic or are not at this time disposed to receive Communion, you may approach the Table with your arms folded across your chest. The Communion Minister will give you a blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Through Christ our Lord.

All. AMEN.

The Lector reads announcements.

FINAL BLESSING & DISMISSAL

All stand. Please remember to raise the kneelers to allow easy access as people depart.

P. May Almighty God bless you,
the Father and the Son +
and the Holy Spirit.

All. AMEN.

P. Go in peace and love of Christ.

All. THANKS BE TO GOD.

All join in the Closing / Recessional Song.

Thank you for worshipping with us. We hope you can join us again. Visit our website and let us know how we can assist you better in the future.

WE WELCOME YOU TO MASS

THIS GUIDE IS PROVIDED FOR
THOSE UNFAMILIAR WITH THE WAY
WE WORSHIP, OR WHO WISH TO
KNOW HOW WE WORSHIP. YOU
MAY TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME.

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