

**THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**Stand Entrance Antiphon**

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;  
turn your ear to me; hear my words.

**Guard me as the apple of your eye;  
in the shadow of your wings protect me.**

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

*The Priest greets the people.*

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

*The Priest may very briefly introduce the Mass.*

**Penitential Act**

Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge  
our sins,  
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred  
mysteries.

*After a brief examination of conscience, the  
following or an alternative form of the Penitential  
Act may be used.*

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

**For we have sinned against you.**

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

**And grant us your salvation.**

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

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

**Gloria**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.**

**We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Collect**

Almighty ever-living God,  
grant that we may always conform our will to yours  
and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Sit First Reading**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

*I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue  
nations before him. 45:1.4-6*

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,  
whom he has taken by his right hand  
to subdue nations before him  
and strip the loins of kings,  
to force gateways before him  
that their gates be closed no more:

It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,  
of Israel my chosen one,  
that I have called you by your name,  
conferring a title though you do not know me.  
I am the Lord, unrivalled;  
there is no other God besides me.  
Though you do not know me, I arm you  
that men may know from the rising to the setting  
of the sun  
that, apart from me, all is nothing.  
The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Ps. 95*

**Give the Lord glory and power.**

1 O sing a new song to the Lord,  
sing to the Lord all the earth.  
Tell among the nations his glory  
and his wonders among all the peoples. **R.**

2 The Lord is great and worthy of praise,  
to be feared above all gods;  
the gods of the heathens are naught.  
It was the Lord who made the heavens. **R.**

3 Give the Lord, you families of peoples,  
give the Lord glory and power,  
give the Lord the glory of his name,  
Bring an offering and enter his courts. **R.**

4 **Give the Lord glory and power.**  
Worship the Lord in his temple.  
O earth, tremble before him.  
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'  
He will judge the peoples in fairness. **R.**

### **Second Reading**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

*We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope.* 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Stand**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Your word is truth, O Lord,**  
**consecrate us in the truth.**  
**Alleluia!**

### **Gospel**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar—and to God what belongs to God.* 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar—and to God what belongs to God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sit**

**Homily**

**Stand Profession of Faith**

**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.** } *All bow.*

**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.**

**Prayer of the Faithful**

### **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*A hymn may now be sung*

**Sit**

*The Priest takes the paten with the bread.*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  
for through your goodness we have received  
the bread we offer you:

fruit of the earth and work of human hands,  
it will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Priest pours wine and a little water into the chalice.*

*Then the Priest takes the chalice and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, says:*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  
for through your goodness we have received  
the wine we offer you:

fruit of the vine and work of human hands,  
it will become our spiritual drink.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*He may now incense the offerings and the altar.  
Afterwards the Deacon or a minister incenses the  
Priest and people.*

**Stand**

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),  
that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

**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.**

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

Grant us, Lord, we pray,  
a sincere respect for your gifts,  
that, through the purifying action of your grace,  
we may be cleansed by the very mysteries we serve.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Eucharistic Prayer II Preface V of Sundays in Ordinary Time**

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.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For you laid the foundations of the world  
and have arranged the changing of times and  
seasons;

you formed man in your own image  
and set humanity over the whole world in all its  
wonder,

to rule in your name over all you have made  
and for ever praise you in your mighty works,  
through Christ our Lord.

And so, with all the Angels, we praise you,  
as in joyful celebration we acclaim:

**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.**

**Kneel**

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,  
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,  
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the  
dewfall,

so that they may become for us  
the Body and ✠ Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed  
and entered willingly into his Passion,  
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,  
he took the chalice,  
and, once more giving thanks,  
he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.

*All respond with the following or one of the  
alternatives:*

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.**

Therefore, as we celebrate  
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,  
we offer you, Lord,  
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,  
giving thanks that you have held us worthy  
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray  
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,  
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church,  
spread throughout the world,  
and bring her to the fullness of charity,  
together with Francis our Pope and N. our Bishop  
and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters  
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the  
resurrection,  
and all who have died in your mercy:  
welcome them into the light of your face.  
Have mercy on us all, we pray,  
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,  
with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,  
with the blessed Apostles,

and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages,  
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,  
and may praise and glorify you  
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

*The Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and raising both, says:*

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
O God, almighty Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honour is yours,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **Stand**      COMMUNION RITE

*The Priest now introduces the Lord's Prayer.*

At the Saviour's command  
and formed by divine teaching,  
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.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom,  
the power and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  
look not on our sins,  
but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity  
in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**  
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And with your spirit.**

*The Priest or Deacon may add:*

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*Those present share a sign of peace, for example a handshake.*

*The Priest takes the Host and breaks it over the paten. He places a small piece in the chalice.*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

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

## **Kneel**

*Then, showing the Host to the people, he says:*

Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to 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.**

*After the Priest has reverently consumed the Body and Blood of Christ the communicants come forward in reverent procession, and make a preparatory act of reverence by bowing their head in honour of Christ's presence in the Sacrament. They receive Holy Communion.*

*The Priest says: The Body (Blood) of Christ.  
The communicant replies: Amen and receives communion.*

## **Communion Antiphon**

**Behold, the eyes of the Lord  
are on those who fear him,  
who hope in his merciful love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine.**

*Or:*

**The Son of Man has come  
to give his life as a ransom for many.**

## **Stand**      **Prayer after Communion**

Grant, O Lord, we pray,  
that, benefiting from participation in heavenly things,  
we may be helped by what you give in this present  
age

and prepared for the gifts that are eternal.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

*If there are any brief announcements, they are now made*

*Then the Priest says:*

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 forth, the Mass is ended. *Or:*

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord. *Or:*

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. *Or:*

Go in peace.