

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Stand Entrance Antiphon
Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

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

The Priest greets the people.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
 and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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.*

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

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

You came to call sinners:

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

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to
 intercede for us:

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

May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

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

May your people exult for ever, O God,
 in renewed youthfulness of spirit,
 so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our
 adoption,
 we may look forward in confident hope
 to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.
 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 Acts of the Apostles.

*It was impossible for him to be held in the power of
 Hades. 2:14, 22-33*

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven
 and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel,
 listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was
 a man commended to you by God by the miracles and
 portents and signs that God worked through him when he
 was among you, as you all know. This man, who was
 put into your power by the deliberate intention and
 foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by
 men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised
 him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it
 was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as
 David says of him:

'I saw the Lord before me always,
 for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me.
 So my heart was glad
 and my tongue cried out with joy:
 my body, too, will rest in the hope
 that you will not abandon my soul to Hades
 nor allow your holy one to experience corruption.
 You have made known the way of life to me,
 you will fill me with gladness through your
 presence'.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David
 himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But
 since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn
 him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him
 on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the
 resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not
 abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience
 corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of
 us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by
 God's right hand, he has received from the Father the
 Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and
 hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps. 15

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.' **R.**
2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**
3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
not let your beloved know decay. **R.**
4. You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

*Your ransom was paid in the precious blood of a lamb
without spot or stain, namely, Christ. 1:17-21*

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason — so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

They recognised him at the breaking of bread.

24:13-35

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sit Homily Stand Profession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God,

the Father almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried;

he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father

almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the

dead.

} *All bow.*

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. 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

Receive, O Lord, we pray,
these offerings of your exultant Church,
and, as you have given her cause for such great
gladness,
grant also that the gifts we bring
may bear fruit in perpetual happiness.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Priest may use the following or an alternative.

Eucharistic Prayer II Preface II of Easter

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,
at all times to acclaim you, O Lord,

but in this time above all to laud you yet more
gloriously,
when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

Through him the children of light rise to eternal life
and the halls of the heavenly Kingdom
are thrown open to the faithful;
for his Death is our ransom from death,
and in his rising the life of all has risen.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy,
every land, every people exults in your praise
and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts,
sing together the unending hymn of your glory,
as they 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:

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
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

**The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.**

Stand Prayer after Communion

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord,
and grant, we pray,

that those you were pleased to renew by eternal
mysteries

may attain in their flesh

the incorruptible glory of the resurrection.

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.

Thanks be to God.