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Certificate

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Holy Eucharist

§ Guidelines

§ Roles of those who minister

*It is a privilege of the bishop, when present, to **preside** and to **preach**.*

Whoever presides, bishop or priest, should also proclaim the Trinitarian invocation, pray the collect of the day, pronounce the absolution, announce the peace and proclaim the final blessing.

In all liturgical celebrations, it is appropriate that the person who presides be assisted by other ordained and lay people.

*It is advisable that other priests join the one who presides **next to the Altar**, participating in the **consecration of the elements, of the breaking of the bread and the distribution of Holy Communion**.*

*It is the deacon's privilege, when present, to **read the Gospel**, to lead the **Prayers of the People**, to **call people to the confession of sins**, to **prepare the Lord's Table**, to **lay on it the offerings of bread and wine and to proclaim the Dismissal**.*

In the absence of a deacon, these ministrations may be made by an assistant priest, or by lay people.

Lay people should normally be appointed to give the Bible readings that precede the Gospel.

*The Offices of **Morning Prayer** or **Evening Prayer** may be used **in lieu** of all that precedes the Peace and the Offertory, provided that a reading is taken from the Gospel and that the intercessions conform to the guidelines given in the Prayers of the People.*

§ Liturgical Space

*The altar must be covered with a **clean, white linen** during the liturgy.*

*It is recommended that the readings of the First Testament and the Epistle be made from the **lectern** and that the Gospel be read in the **midst of the congregation**, or from the **pulpit**.*

§ Liturgical Flow

All fixed and moveable parts, as well as responses, may be sung at the discretion of the people who minister and those involved in liturgical planning.

Psalms, hymns and antiphons may be inserted at various times. Traditionally, hymns and antiphons are sung for the procession at the offertory, during Holy Communion and for the recession.

A psalm or canticle is traditionally sung between the first and second readings.

*Announcements, and communications may be made **before the office, after the creed, before the offertory or at the end of the office**, whichever is more convenient.*

*Especially in penitential seasons, the **Kyrie Eleison** is said or sung. It can be omitted in festal seasons and holidays.*

Under special circumstances the Kyrie Eleison can be replaced by an appropriate penitential hymn.

*The **Gloria in Excelsis** can be said or sung on major feasts and holidays. It is omitted during Lent, Advent and in Memorial offices. Under special circumstances, the Gloria in Excelsis may be replaced by an appropriate hymn of praise.*

*All references to the word “**alleluia**” are omitted in Lent.*

References for Bible readings need not be fully announced, especially when the lectionary aggregates dispersed verses.

It suffices to announce the book's name, except in cases where there are no signs or bulletins indicating the passage which will be read.

***On the days traditionally reserved for baptisms** (Baptism of our Lord, Easter, Pentecost and All Saints') the **Baptismal Covenant** may be used instead of the Creed even if no baptisms take place.*

The Apostles' Creed can be used, at any time, in lieu of the Nicene Creed.

*The prayers of the people are made with intercessions:
for the Holy Church of Christ, its members and their mission,
for the nation and those who exercise authority, for the peace and
salvation of the world, for the concerns of the local community,
for those who suffer and are in difficulties and for those who
died, with the commemoration of a saint, when appropriate.*

*Intercessions taken from this book, authorized litanies,
spontaneous or silent prayers may be used.*

*Whoever presides can announce and conclude the Offertory with
any scriptural sentences, or prayers of the apostolic tradition.*

*During the Offertory, people from the congregation are to bring
bread, wine, money, and other gifts to those who minister.*

*Whoever presides can also invite the people to
Holy Communion with any sentences taken from
the Scriptures, or prayers from the apostolic tradition.*

*Whoever presides, when announcing the
words of institution, should touch
the bread and the chalice,
as well as vessels with more
bread and wine to be consecrated.*

*If the consecrated bread or wine is not sufficient,
those who preside should return to the
Holy Table and consecrate more,
using the following words:*

***“Hear us, O Heavenly God, and deign to bless and sanctify
with your Holy Spirit this Bread (or this Wine), so that it
may be to us also the Sacrament of the precious Body (or
Blood) of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.”***

§ Holy Communion under Special Circumstances

Not included in this booklet.

§ A Structure for Celebrating Holy Eucharist

Not included in this booklet.

§ Disciplinary Rubric

*If the priest is aware of someone whose conduct is irregular,
according to the Canons of the Church,
and who intends to come to Holy Communion,
s/he will pastorally and privately approach the person,
telling her/him that s/he may not receive communion
until s/he has given proof of repentance and amendment of life.*

§ Traditional Lord's Prayer

*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.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.*

Holy Eucharist Rite 1

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PREPARATION

*All people's responses come in **bold**.*

*All **stand**, whenever possible, and the person who presides proclaims:*

Come, let us celebrate with praise and thanksgiving
the sacrament of the new and eternal covenant,
which calls to memory the Last Supper,
and proclaims the death and victory of the Lord,
and his living presence through the holy mysteries
of his Body and Blood,
in the midst of his own people,
to whom the Lord himself proclaims:

*“I am the living bread which comes down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever.”*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever.

*From **Easter Day** through **Pentecost**, it is added:*

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In Lent and on other penitential occasions, it is added:

Bless the Lord,
who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures forever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PENITENTIAL ORDER

*Whoever officiates may introduce a Penitential Order, which can
also be done between the Prayers of the People and the Peace.*

*The deacon, or whoever officiates,
may recite the 10 commandments.*

God spoke these words:
*“I am the Lord your God;
you shall have no other gods before me.”*
**Lord, have mercy on us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

“You shall not make for yourself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything in heaven above, or on the earth beneath, or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“You shall not take the name of your God in vain.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“Remember the day of rest and keep it holy.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“Honor your father and your mother.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“You shall not commit murder.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“You shall not commit adultery.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“You shall not steal.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“You shall not be a false witness against your neighbor.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and incline our hearts to keep this law.

“You shall not covet.”

Lord, have mercy on us,

and write all these laws on our hearts, we ask you.

or, in lieu of the Penitential Order, the following may be said:

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Listen to what our Lord Jesus Christ says:
*“Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with all your mind.”*

This is the first and great commandment.

And the second, similar to it, is this:

“Love your neighbor as yourself.”

On these two commandments
depend all the Law and the Prophets.

After the Penitential Order, the following is sung or said:

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

CONFESSION OF SINS

Whoever officiates says:

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

or

You, who truly and earnestly
repent of your sins,
are in charity with your neighbor,

and intend to lead a new life,
walking in the Lord's ways;
draw near with faith,
make your confession to Almighty God,
and, relying on his forgiveness,
receive this Holy Sacrament.

*Some moments of silence are kept.
All kneel or stand, whenever possible.*

**Almighty God, our Father,
we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins,
which we have committed
by thought, word, and deed,
against you, against our neighbor,
and against ourselves.
Grant us true repentance,
and, through your Son's love,
our Savior Jesus Christ,
forgive us all that is past,
and give us grace to serve you with joy
to the honor and glory of your Name.
Amen.**

Whoever presides, bishop or priest, says:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of his great mercy
promises forgiveness to all those who,
with hearty repentance and true faith,
turn to him,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in the way of everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Spirit of the Lord
be with you.
And also with you.

or

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

Let us pray.

Whoever presides prays the collect.

Amen.

READINGS

*One of the readings can be omitted.
A psalm, a portion of a psalm or hymn
may be sung, or moments of silence
after each reading may be kept.*

*All **sit** for the reading(s).*

The Word of God, written in _____.

Whoever reads ends with:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*All **stand**, whenever possible, for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to _____.

Glory be to you, O Lord.

Whoever proclaims the Gospel ends with:

The Gospel of the Lord!

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

All stand, whenever possible, for the:

NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things, seen and unseen.
And in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds,
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 and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary,**

**and was made man;
for our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried;
on the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and 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;
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified;
who has spoken through the Prophets.
I believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins;
I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Or this:

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 power of the Holy Spirit,**

and born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried,
descended to Hades;
on the third day he rose again,
ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of the Almighty Father,
from whom he will come again to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

According to the guidelines on page 286.

PEACE

*All **stand**, whenever possible,
and the person who presides proclaims:*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

*All people may **greet** one another with Christ's peace.*

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

*During the offertory, a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.
Whoever presides may begin the offertory with one of the sentences
on page 406, or with some other sentence of Scripture.*

Let us present to the Lord the oblation
of our life and labor.

*All **stand**, whenever possible, for the presentation of the gifts.
The liturgy continues with the following Eucharistic Prayer.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Whoever presides sings or says:

The Spirit of the Lord
be with you.
And also with you.

or

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is meet and just so to do.

Whoever presides proceeds:

It is truly meet, just, good, and joyful always and
every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

*A proper preface (starting on page 409)
may be sung or said.*

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven, who do not cease to proclaim your glory, we rejoice and praise your Name.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Glory be to you, o Lord Most High.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

*All stand or kneel, whenever possible.
Whoever presides continues:*

All glory and thanksgiving be given to you, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for all creation and for having made us in your own image; and because, having fallen into sin, you have sent our only Son, Jesus Christ, who, of his great mercy, took upon himself our human nature and suffered death on the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

For our Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took Bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

*“Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”*

And, after supper, he took the Cup, and having given thanks, gave it to them saying:

“Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

We remember your death, O Lord.

We proclaim your resurrection.

And we await your coming.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Therefore, O Father, according to the commandment of your Son, we celebrate, until his coming, his life, passion, resurrection and ascension, giving thanks for these innumerable benefits we receive through him.

And now we present, O Lord, an offering of ourselves, humbly asking you to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and that you may bless and sanctify with your Holy Spirit this Bread and this Wine, so that we, clothed with your heavenly grace and benediction, may be united with Christ in your Holy Church.

This we ask through your Son, our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, O Father Almighty, into the ages.

Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say:

The Lord's Prayer on page 288 may be used.

**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.
Forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who have trespassed against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
forever and ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Whoever presides breaks the consecrated Bread.

*Some **moments of silence** are kept.*

Then may be sung or said:

The Bread we break
is the communion of the Body of Christ,
the Cup we bless
is the communion of the Blood of Christ.
For we, though many, are one body.

*The Peace may be announced here,
if it has not been done previously.*

PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Then, it may be sung or said:

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
grant us your peace.

The following prayer may be said:

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**We do not presume to come to this your Table,
O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your manifold and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much
as to gather up the crumbs under your Table.**

**But you are the same Lord
whose property is always to have mercy.**

**Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be
made clean by his body,
and our souls washed
through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him,
and he in us. Amen.**

COMMUNION

Hymns, psalms and antiphons may be sung.

*Holy Communion may be
administered with these words:*

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which was given in love for you,
preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.
Take this gift and be thankful.

Amen.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which was shed in love for you,
preserve your body and soul to everlasting life.
Take this gift and be thankful.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said:

**Almighty and ever living God,
we most heartily thank you,
for having fed us, in these holy mysteries,
with the spiritual food of the Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for preserving us in his mystical body,
the blessed company of all faithful people,
making us partakers of your eternal Kingdom.
And we humbly beseech you, O Father,**

that we may by your grace persevere in your Holy Church,
and do all such good works you have prepared for us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end. Amen.

or

Almighty God,
we give you thanks for having fed us
with the Body and Blood of your Son
Jesus Christ, our Lord.
And, through him, we offer to you
our bodies and souls
as a holy and living sacrifice.
Send us, in the power of the Holy Spirit,
so that we may live and work
for your glory and praise. Amen.

All stand, whenever possible, when the following is sung or said:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest,
And peace, goodwill among all peoples!
We worship you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you and give you thanks for your great glory.
O Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father.
O Lord, only Son, Jesus Christ,
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Eternal Father,

who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
You, who take away the sins of the world,
Receive our prayer.
You, who are at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord,
you alone, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
are the Most High in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest, blesses the people.
Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

Go in the peace of Christ.
Be courageous and strong,
bearing witness to the Gospel.
Serve the Lord with gladness,
in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Alleluia!)

*In Lent and other penitential occasions,
the Alleluia is omitted.*

Holy Eucharist Rite 2

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PREPARATION

*All people's responses appear in **bold**.*

*All **stand**, whenever possible, and whoever presides begins:*

Blessed be God: Father,
Son and Holy Spirit. *or* Blessed be the Most Holy
Trinity, one God.

And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

*From **Easter Day** through **Pentecost**:*

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia!

*In **Lent** and on other **penitential occasions**:*

Blessed be God, who forgives our sins.
God's mercy endures forever.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God,
to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts

by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The following may be sung, or said:

KYRIE ELEISON

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

**Kyrie Eleison.
or Christe Eleison.
Kyrie Eleison.**

The following may be sung, or said:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth, peace to people of goodwill.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
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 OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

or The Lord is here.
God's Spirit is with us.

Let us pray.

Whoever presides prays the collect.

Amen.

READINGS

*One of the readings may be omitted.
A psalm, a portion of a psalm or hymn may be sung,
or moments of silence after each reading may be kept.*

*All **sit** for the reading(s).*

The Word of God, written in _____.

Whoever reads ends with:

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*All **stand**, whenever possible, for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

Whoever proclaims the Gospel begins with:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to _____.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Whoever proclaims the Gospel ends with:

The Gospel of the Lord!
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

NICENE CREED

*All **stand**, whenever possible, for the:*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds,
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 and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
for our sake he was crucified**

**under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried;
on the third day he rose again
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.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father;
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified;
who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
we acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins;
we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Or this:

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 power of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead;
on the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God, the Father Almighty.
He will come again to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

According to the guidelines on page 286.

CONFESSION OF SINS

Whoever officiates says:

Let us confess our sins to God.

*Some **moments of silence** are kept.*

*All **kneel** or **stand**, whenever possible.*

**Merciful God, we confess to you
and to all who share in the Body of Christ**

**that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have left undone.**

We come to you with true repentance.

**Forgive our sins,
and deliver us from the power of evil,
through your Son who died for us,
our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Amen.

Whoever presides, bishop or priest, says:

The God of love,
who of great mercy
promises forgiveness to all those who
turn to him with true repentance and faith,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in the way of everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

or:

May the God of power and love,
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit
and raise us to new life
in Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

*All **stand**, whenever possible, and the person who presides proclaims:*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

*All people may **greet** one another with Christ's peace.*

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

*During the offertory, a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.
Whoever presides may begin the offertory with one of the sentences on page 406, or with some other sentence of Scripture.*

Let us with gladness present the oblation
of our life and labor to the Lord.

*All **stand**, whenever possible, for the presentation of the gifts.
The liturgy continues with one of the following Eucharistic Prayers.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A – RITE 2

Whoever presides sings or says:

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up our hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right and just.

Whoever presides proceeds:

It is truly right, just, good and joyful always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A proper preface (starting on page 409) may be sung or said.

Therefore, with angelic hosts and with all the company of heaven, who never cease to proclaim your glory, we joyfully praise your Name.

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!

*All **stand** or **kneel**, whenever possible.*

Whoever presides continues:

We give thanks to you, Blessed God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through prophetic voices; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took Bread, and, when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to those who were with him, and said:

*“Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

After supper, he took the Cup, and when he had given thanks to you, he shared it and said:

*“Take, drink. This is the Blood of the New and
Everlasting Covenant,
which is shed for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Therefore, according to his command, O God:

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection.

We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts and sanctify them, so that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Bring down your Holy Spirit upon us, O Lord.

Send upon us your Holy Spirit, O Lord.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with (N and) all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of all your children. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Firstborn of all Creation, the Head of the Church, and the Author of our Salvation.

Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Whoever presides breaks the consecrated Bread.

*Some **moments of silence** are kept.*

Then may be sung or said:

**(Alleluia!) Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. (Alleluia!)**

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

The Agnus Dei, or another antiphon, may be sung (or said).

*Whoever presides may sing or say
this invitation to Holy Communion:*

The gifts of God for the people of God.
**Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.**

COMMUNION

Hymns, psalms, and antiphons may be sung.

*Holy Communion may be administered
with these words.*

The Body/The Blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ
keep you in eternal life.
Take this gift and be
thankful. **Amen.**

or

The Body of Christ,
the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ,
the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said.

**Eternal and merciful God,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest, blesses the people.
Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

Let us go in the peace of Christ
with courage and strength,
bearing witness to the Gospel,
and faithfully accomplishing God's Mission in the world.
Let us serve the Lord with gladness,
in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Alleluia!)

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B – RITE 2

Whoever presides sings or says:

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up our hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right and just.

Whoever presides proceeds:

God of all power, ruler of the universe,
you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophetic voices, you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a virgin, to fulfill your Law, and to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us,
by his wounds, he healed us.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with all the people who in every generation have followed you, have dedicated their lives to you, and have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory in unending praise.

**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!**

All stand or kneel, whenever possible.

Whoever presides continues:

And so, God, we who share in the New Covenant by water and the Spirit now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took Bread, and, when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to them who were with him, and said:

*“Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

After supper, he took the Cup, and when he had given thanks to you, he shared it and said:

*“Take, drink. This is the Blood of the New
and Everlasting Covenant,
which is shed for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Remembering now his work of redemption,
and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
**we celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our mothers and our fathers; God of Sarah,
Hagar, and Abraham, God of Rebecca and Isaac, God
of Leah, Rachel and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, open our eyes to see your hand at work in
the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of
coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength;
for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this
Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Ch-
rist, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.
**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the
Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus
Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the
Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship,
from generation to generation.

Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Whoever presides breaks the consecrated Bread.

*Some **moments of silence** are kept.*

Then may be sung or said:

**(Alleluia!) Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. (Alleluia!)**

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

The Agnus Dei, or another antiphon, may be sung (or said).

*Whoever presides may sing or say
this invitation to Holy Communion:*

The gifts of God for the people of God.
**Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.**

COMMUNION

Hymns, psalms and antiphons may be sung.

Holy Communion may be administered with these words.

The Body/The Blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ
keep you in eternal life.
Take this gift and be
thankful. **Amen.**

or

The Body of Christ,
the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ,
the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said.

Blessed be the God who has gathered us here.

Let us praise the Lord, who makes us people of God.

Blessed be God who forgives our sins.

Let us praise the Lord, who gives us freedom and hope.

Blessed be God whose Word is proclaimed.

Let us praise the Lord, who is revealed in love.

Blessed be God who called us to the service.

**Blessed are you, O God, for you have called us to live
the ministry of all Christian people.**

Therefore, we offer you all that we are and all that we can
be in you.

**Accept, O Lord, our sacrifice of praise and
thanksgiving for all that you have done for us.**

**Our hands were empty, and you filled them with
goods. Amen.**

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest, blesses the people.
Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

Let us go in the peace of Christ
with courage and strength,
bearing witness to the Gospel,
and faithfully accomplishing God's Mission in the world.
Let us serve the Lord with gladness,
in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Alleluia!)

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER C – RITE 2

Whoever presides sings or says:

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up our hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right and just.

Whoever presides proceeds:

It is truly right and just to glorify you and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name.

**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!

All stand or kneel, whenever possible.

Whoever presides continues:

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power.
Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love.
You formed us in your own image, giving the whole
world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our
Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures.

When our disobedience took us far from you,
you did not abandon us to the power of death.

**In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking
you we might find you.**

Again and again you called us into covenant with you,
and through your prophecies you taught us to hope for
salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness
of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate
by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as
one of us, yet without sin.

**To the poor he proclaimed the good News of salvation;
to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy.**

To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and,
rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the
whole creation new.

And, that we might live for the One who died and rose
for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, to complete God's work in
the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of
all who believe.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took Bread, and, when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to them who were with him, and said:

*“Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

After supper, he took the Cup, and when he had given thanks to you, he shared it and said:

*“Take, drink. This is the Blood of the New and
Everlasting Covenant,
which is shed for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Therefore, O God, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this Bread and this Cup may become one Body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, redeemed by the Blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember (N and) all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

(Remember _____.)

Remember (N and) all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with Matriarchs and Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles, and Martyrs, (with N) and with all people who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

The Lord's Prayer on page 288 may be used.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,**

**Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Whoever presides breaks the consecrated Bread.

*Some **moments of silence** are kept.*

Then may be sung or said:

**(Alleluia!) Christ, our Passover, is sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. (Alleluia!)**

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

The Agnus Dei, or another antiphon, may be sung (or said).

*Whoever presides may sing or say
this invitation to Holy Communion:*

The gifts of God for the people of God.
**Whoever comes to me will never go hungry;
whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.**

COMMUNION

Hymns, psalms and antiphons may be sung.

Holy Communion may be administered with these words.

The Body/The Blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ
keep you in eternal life.
Take this gift and
be thankful. **Amen.**

or

The Body of Christ,
the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ,
the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said.

**Almighty and ever living God,
we heartily thank you,
that you, in these holy mysteries,
have fed us with the Body and Blood
of your Son Jesus Christ,
and kept us in his mystical Body,
which is the blessed community of the faithful,
making us partakers of your eternal reign.
We ask you, O Father, that through your grace,
we may continue in your Holy Church
and walk in goodness the way you have
prepared for us;
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end.
Amen.**

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest, blesses the people.
Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

Let us go in the peace of Christ,
Let us have courage and strength,
bearing witness to the Gospel,
and faithfully accomplishing God's Mission in the world.
Let us serve the Lord with gladness,
in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Alleluia!)

*In Lent and other penitential occasions,
the Alleluia is omitted.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER D – RITE 2

Whoever presides sings or says:

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up our hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right and just so to do.

Whoever presides proceeds:

O God, Creator of all things, for the wonders of the universe, for the mystery of creation, for the beauty of the earth, for all living beings and for the power that dwells in all that you have created,

we praise you and give thanks to you.

We recognize the diversity that exists in everything as a gift that comes from you. And we glorify you for the grace you have made to blossom in us, in the joy of serving, and in the quest for peace and justice.

**We walk with you towards
reconciliation and welcome.**

O God, source of our life, we desire to transform ourselves into a new humanity, liberated and united in your love.

As your children in fellowship with you, we offer you our praise, joining angelic hosts and the entire celestial company, singing (saying):

**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!**

All stand or kneel, whenever possible.

Whoever presides continues:

We thank you, o God, for the love you have made manifest in Jesus Christ our Lord. He shared the richness of our humanity and in everything was equal to us, but without sin. He revealed to us anew heaven and a new earth, a society that reaches its fullness in your Spirit, which brings justice and produces peace and harmony; an order where there will be no children whose days are few, nor elders whose years are not many; a reign where the calf and the lion will graze together, and a child will guide them.

God from whom all righteousness flows, we give you thanks.

Standing in openness to your Holy Spirit, you make us signs of unity in diversity, and we witness the unique gift of renewal, joy and communion.

Therefore, we now offer to you these gifts of Bread and Wine and we ask that you send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, sanctifying them so they may be the Body and Blood of Christ, the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.

In this Bread and this Wine, we share the richness of faith, hope and love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took Bread and, when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to the people who were around him, and said:

*“Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

After supper, he took the Cup, and when he had given thanks to you, he shared it and said:

*“Take, drink. This is the Blood of the New and Everlasting Covenant, which is shed so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Therefore, O God, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Lord our God, enliven our hearts so that we may work towards the mission of removing all obstacles that prevent us from living with dignity, justice and peace.

O Lord, who are among us, strengthen our faith.

Through your grace, O Source of Life, grant that Christ may continue to act in the world as Savior until the end of the ages.

Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and praise to you, Almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

As our brother and Savior Jesus Christ has taught us, let us pray:

The Lord's Prayer on page 288 may be used.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Whoever presides breaks the consecrated Bread.

*Some **moments of silence** are kept.*

Then may be sung or said:

**(Alleluia!) Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. (Alleluia!)**

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

The Agnus Dei, or another antiphon, may be sung (or said).

*Whoever presides may sing or say
this invitation to Holy Communion:*

The gifts of God for the people of God.
**Whoever comes to me will never go hungry;
whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.**

COMMUNION

Hymns, psalms and antiphons may be sung.

Holy Communion may be administered with these words.

The Body/The Blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ
keep you in eternal life.
Take this gift and
be thankful. **Amen.**

or

The Body of Christ,
the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ,
the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said.

**God of love,
we thank you for feeding us
with the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
In you we lay our hope
and walk towards the future,
with the certainty that everything can be different.
Stones will be rolled away.
Tears will cease to fall.
Fear will find no home.
Every question will have an answer.
Light will be stronger than darkness.
Happiness will come to mourners.
Peace will surround oppressed hearts.
Violence and hatred will not resist love.
The chains of oppression will be broken.
The Word of God will make every heart thankful.
And a new creation will emerge in our midst.
Amen.**

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest, blesses the people.
Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

Let us go in the peace of Christ,
Let us have courage and strength,
bearing witness to the Gospel,
and faithfully accomplishing God's Mission in the world.
Let us serve the Lord with gladness,
in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Alleluia!)

*In Lent and other penitential occasions,
the Alleluia is omitted.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER E – RITE 2

*All who can stand.
Whoever presides sings or says:*

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up our hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right and just.

Whoever presides proceeds:

We render our gratitude and praise to you, o God, for all creation, the wondrous work of your hands.

A proper preface (starting on page 409) may be sung or said.

Therefore, with angelic hosts and with all the saints who served you in every generation, we proclaim your glory, singing (saying).

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!

*All **stand** or **kneel**, whenever possible.
Whoever presides continues:*

Blessed are you, Eternal God, because you have revealed your love through the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ to the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to his own, but he was not welcomed.

However, to all who did receive him, he gave the blessing to be called the children of God; born not of blood, nor of desire, nor the will of flesh, but of God.

And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw his glory, as the glory of the only begotten Son of God, full of grace and truth.

Christ came down to us and shared our human nature.

Almighty God, through the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have scattered the darkness of our world and shed light upon all nations. He was born of the Virgin Mary, he was worshiped by angels and proclaimed among the nations. In him all peoples of the earth lay their trust. **Blessed are you, Lord Jesus Christ, Light of the World; for you have come down into our darkness.**

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took Bread and, when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to the people who were around him, and said:

*“Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

After supper, he took the Cup, and when he had given thanks to you, he shared it and said:

“Take, drink. This is the Blood of the New and Everlasting Covenant, which is shed so that sins may be forgiven. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, O God, in this memorial of our redemption, we proclaim that Christ took upon himself our human nature, and suffered death on a cross.

Christ rose from the dead, enabling us to participate in his resurrection.

Christ ascended to heaven and is at your right hand.

Christ will soon return.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

We proclaim our hope.

**Christ overcame death,
triumphed over the grave,
is risen and alive!
(Alleluia!)**

*In Lent and other penitential occasions,
the Alleluia is omitted.*

Your Holy Spirit breathes life upon all which you have created. Renew us by the same Spirit, that we may learn to respect what you have given us, and bless and sanctify this Bread and this Wine so that they may be for us the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant that all who receive these holy gifts may share in your eternal victory. Protect us when darkness surrounds us, preserve us in your Light, and continue to enlighten our lives through your great glory.

**Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and praise to you,
Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.**

As Jesus Christ, Light of the world
has taught us, we are bold to pray:

The Lord's Prayer on page 288 may be used.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Whoever presides breaks the consecrated Bread.

*Some **moments of silence** are kept.*

Then may be sung or said:

**(Alleluia!) Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. (Alleluia!)**

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

The Agnus Dei, or another antiphon, may be sung (or said).

*Whoever presides may sing or
say this invitation to Holy Communion:*

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Whoever comes to me will never go hungry;
whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.**

COMMUNION

Hymns, psalms and antiphons may be sung.

*Holy Communion may be
administered with these words.*

The Body/The Blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ
keep you in eternal life.
Take this gift and
be thankful. **Amen.**

or

The Body of Christ,
the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ,
the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said.

**Risen Lord, Light of the nations,
we give you thanks
for this Holy Communion of your Body and Blood.
Come and increase our faith,
so that we may walk before you
as children of the Light,
becoming in this world a witness to hope,
guaranteeing forgiveness of sins
and providing certainty of eternal life
for the glory of your name;
We ask this through you,
who with the Father and the Holy Spirit
live and reign forever, one God, into the ages.
Amen.**

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest, blesses the people.
Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

Let us go in the peace of Christ,
Let us have courage and strength,
bearing witness to the Gospel,
and faithfully accomplishing God's Mission in the world.
Let us serve the Lord with gladness,
in the power of the Holy Spirit. (Alleluia!)

*In Lent and other penitential occasions,
the Alleluia is omitted.*

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER F – RITE 2

Whoever presides sings or says:

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up our hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right and just.

Whoever presides proceeds:

It is truly right, just, good, and joyful, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God, Creator of heaven and earth.

A proper preface (starting on page 409) may be sung or said.

Therefore, with angelic hosts and with all the saints who served you in every generation, we proclaim your glory, singing (saying).

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of the universe.

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!

*All **stand** or **kneel**, whenever possible.*

Whoever presides continues:

We thank you, Loving God, for your maternal affection, expressed in the wonder of Creation. You have made us in your image and likeness. You have provided us sustenance from the environment that surrounds us. However, we let ourselves be filled with pride and foolishness. We chose to abandon you and to follow paths of destruction.

But we glorify you, above all, for your mercy towards us. You sent your beloved Son, Jesus, the Divine Word, to take upon himself our human nature and to live among us. He, who is the way, taught us to live in holiness. He, who is the truth, freed us from the bonds of error. He, who is the life, gave himself for us in sacrifice on the cross. He was born from a virgin, he lived among the meek, and he loved the world until the end.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took Bread and, when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to the people who were around him, and said:

*“Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

After supper, he took the Cup, and when he had given thanks to you, he shared it and said:

*“Take, drink. This is the Blood of the New and Everlasting
Covenant, which is shed so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

This is the mystery of faith!

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

And giving thanks to you, O God, we present these gifts of bread and wine, fruits of your own creation. We ask you to send forth your Holy Spirit upon them, so that they may become the Most Holy Sacrament of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We also present to you ourselves, with contrite hearts. Unite us to Christ in his sacrifice, and sanctify us with your Holy Spirit, so that we may have grace to act in this broken world. Give us courage to announce your message without ceasing. Awaken vocations among all the people of your Church. Open our eyes to see your work in our midst.

And at the last day, let us come into the inheritance of your new creation, in the company of (N and) all the saints who are members of your family through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Through Christ, with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and praise to you, Almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

As Christ, the author of our salvation, has taught us, let us pray:

The Lord's Prayer on page 288 may be used.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.**

**Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
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Whoever presides breaks the consecrated Bread.

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**(Alleluia!) Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. (Alleluia!)**

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keep you in eternal life.
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or

The Body of Christ,
the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**
The Blood of Christ,
the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said.

**Source of all truth,
we have seen with our eyes
and felt with our bodies
the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.
Strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for you
and for the whole human family,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

BLESSING

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*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
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Let us have courage and strength,
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Let us serve the Lord with gladness,
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Therefore, with angelic hosts and with all the company of heaven, who never cease to proclaim your glory, we joyfully praise your Name.

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Whoever presides continues:

Accept our praise, o God, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior, for our creation and salvation, which reveal the fulness of your heavenly love.

We give thanks for the beauty and richness of our faith.

And now, we ask you, o good Lord, to send your Holy Spirit on this Bread and this Wine, and sanctify them so that they may become for us the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. Bring down your Holy Spirit upon us, O Lord.

Send us your Holy Spirit, O Lord.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took Bread and, when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to the people who were around him, and said:

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*“Take, drink. This is the Blood of the New and Everlasting
Covenant, which is shed so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”*

Let us recall the mystery of faith!

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection.

We await his glorious coming.

Come, Lord Jesus!

Accept, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ, the sacrifice of our lives in praise and thanksgiving;

and grant that, by sharing this sacred mystery, we may become one body, through the grace of your Holy Spirit, so that we may praise you and glorify you together, always and everywhere.

Gather us, o Lord, through your love, around this table.

And, at the last day, have mercy on us and grant that we may share in eternal life, in the company of the Virgin Mary, mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, with the holy apostles, (with *N*,) and with all your saints who have served you in this world, so that we may praise you and glorify you through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant us the fellowship of your heavenly reign!

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and praise to you, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

By the Spirit of Jesus, and in the light of the wisdom of the Gospel, we are bold to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
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as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
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the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**
or
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POST-COMMUNION

The following prayer is said.

**Merciful God,
whose Son Jesus Christ was sent to us
to be the Bread of Life,
in order to quench the hunger of all people;
draw us to you in faith and love,
so that we may share the heavenly banquet
at your Son's Table,
where he lives and reigns, now and forever.
Amen.**

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Propers for the Christian Year

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This booklet contains translations for all of those propers, except for the collects. In case one wishes to add collects to these liturgies, one must interpolate this booklet with other authorized liturgical sources in English.

In addition to these, there is a section containing the manifold collects for the Christian year, psalms, songs and readings found in the Lectionary.

The proper for the Sunday should also be used for celebrations of the Holy Eucharist throughout the following week, unless the day falls on a major feast or general occasion.

The collect for any Sunday or another occasion may be used in the evening service of the previous day.

At the discretion of whoever presides, any of the collects found in the Common of Saints section, as well as the equivalent Lectionary psalms and readings in the Lectionary, may be used in commemoration of a saint, whether she is in the Calendar or not, and whose proper is not found in this book.

The propers for different occasions are optional and subject to the rules of precedence indicated in the Calendar of the Christian Year.

Prayers of the People

DURING ADVENT

In cheerful expectation,
let us pray to our Savior and Redeemer, saying:
Come, Lord Jesus!

O Wisdom from the lips of God,
you reign over all things unto the ends of the earth:
come and teach us to live!
Come, Lord Jesus!

O Lord, guide of the House of Israel,
who appeared to Moses in the burning bush
and gave him the holy Law on Mount Sinai:
come and save us with your mighty arm!
Come, Lord Jesus!

O Root of Jesse, standing upright
as a banner among the nations;
the rulers of the earth silence before you
and the nations implore your mercy:
come and release us without delay!
Come, Lord Jesus!

O Key of David and Scepter of the House of Israel,
what you open no one can close
and what you close no one can open:
come and set captives free from prison!
Come, Lord Jesus!

O Morning star, splendor of eternal light
and radiant Sun of Justice:
come and enlighten people
who live in darkness and shadows of death!
Come, Lord Jesus!

O King of nations, desired of the people;
o cornerstone, you unite the opposites:
come and save these fragile creatures
whom you created out of dust and clay!
Come, Lord Jesus!

O Emmanuel, God with us,
hope of the nations and Savior of all peoples:
come, finally, to save us, our Lord and God!
Come, Lord Jesus! Amen.

DURING CHRISTMASTIDE

That the peace
announced by angels to the shepherds in the field,
may be announced in all fields:
in the fields of war, hatred and urban violence;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

That the union brought by Christ
may be lived in our families,
and as we welcome the Messiah born into a human family
may ours be blessed and sanctified;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

That the child born to us,
may find a warm welcome in our hearts,
and lead our attention to the needs
of the homeless and the hungry;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

That in this time of our God's supreme self-giving,
we may renew our commitment
with the abandoned, the forgotten, the sad and the weary;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

That the joy of this day
may be a driving force
to a true communion

of life and worship as the Church of God;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

That our parish community
may leave this place well determined
to take concrete actions
to spread the love which Christ brought to the world;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

That the joy and comfort
of our marvelous Comforter
may embrace all sick people;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

That the spirit of brotherhood and love,
which surrounds us on Christmas,
may last the entire year;
we pray to you, Lord.

Hear us, good Savior.

May this Christmas
renew in us the value of life
and encourage us to preserve it,
fighting against any way of death;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

ON THE FEASTS OF EPIPHANY, PRESENTATION,
ANNUNCIATION AND TRANSFIGURATION OF
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

With joy and humility,
we pray to the Creator of the Universe, saying:
Grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the Good News of Salvation
brought to Mary by the Angel Gabriel;
hear us, o Lord.
And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the mystery of your Word made flesh;
hear us, O Lord.
And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the Incarnation of your Eternal Son;
hear us, O Lord.
And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the revelation of the King of Glory to the shepherds;
hear us, O Lord.
And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the author of Salvation, Jesus Christ,
who subjected himself as son to Mary and Joseph of Nazareth;
hear us, O Lord.
And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the baptism of your Son in the Jordan;
hear us, O Lord.

And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the appearance of your star to the magi;
hear us, O Lord.

And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the light of Christ, the radiant Sun of Justice,
who casts out our darkness;
hear us, O Lord.

And grant us your peace, O Lord.

For the spirit of brotherhood and love,
which encourages us in this time;
hear us, O Lord.

And grant us your peace, O Lord.

So that the reigns of this world
become the Reign
of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ;
hear us, O Lord.

And grant us your peace, O Lord.

DURING LENT

With faith and confidence,
let us pray to the Lord, saying:

Lord, have mercy.

For the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of
Christ, scattered around the world (especially in **N**);
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church,
so that in faithful witness, it may proclaim the Holy Gospel
to the corners of the earth;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the people who are preparing to receive
Holy Baptism,
and for their parents and godparents;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For peace in the world,
so that the spirit of respect and consideration
may increase among the nations of the earth;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those people who face
hardships and difficulties,
for those who die of hunger and thirst,
for those who are sick or near death,
lonely and abandoned.
So that they can be sustained by your
kindness and mercy;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For places devastated by greed and ambition,
for the victims of our unjust society.
That they may be freed from trouble,
suffering and violence;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, persecuted, and sick,
(especially N,)
and for all who suffer;
refugees, prisoners and migrants,
so that you may protect and console them;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those whom we have offended,
mistreated and harmed
with our selfishness and lack of sensitivity;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Through your grace,
that amends our lives
and shows forth the vision of your Reign;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all the people who have departed this world
in the peace of Christ (especially **N**);
so that, like them,
we may also enter into your glory
with all the saints;
we pray to you, Lord.

Lord, have mercy. Amen.

DURING HOLY WEEK

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying:
Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

Let us ask the Lord to grant us courage,
renounce everything that separates us from God
and from our brothers and sisters.

Lord, come to us your servants,
who trust in you.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

Grant your grace to all Christians,
that they may be a royal priesthood and a holy nation,
to the praise of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

Grant your blessing to our Diocesan Bishop,
and to all ministers,
that they may attain the fullness of your love,
hunger and thirst for your truth.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

Grant that we might find forgiveness and help
through the blood and water
that sprouted from Jesus' side,
as we face the difficulties of proclaiming the Gospel.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

Grant that the shoulders of our Lord Jesus Christ,
which were whipped by soldiers,
may bear the burden of the conflicts of our world.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

Allow all the nations of the world,
by leaving aside war, violence and hatred,
to find the way to peace.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

May the wounded hands of Jesus
bring healing and comfort to those who suffer:
the sick, the lonely and the distressed.
May the light of your holy presence enliven their hearts.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

May the feet of Christ
which were nailed to the cross
encourage your Church to persevere in faith.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers.

And grant that we, together (with N, and)
with all those who have died in faith,
may find mercy on the day of Resurrection.

Grant us courage and hear our prayers. Amen.

FROM EASTER DAY THROUGH THE EVE OF PENTECOST

With joy and hope,
let us pray to the Source of all Life, saying:

Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Christ, resurrected Savior,
fill us with the joy
of your holy and life-giving Resurrection.

Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Christ, King of kings,
bring courage to persecuted and isolated churches
that they may find renewal and power
in the Gospel of the Resurrection.

Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Christ, Light of the world,
spread your Gospel's light and peace among all nations,
especially those which face times
of hunger, war, and violence.

Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Christ, Bread of Life,
console and comfort those people
who lack home or shelter;
feed the hungry in our homeland,
and across the whole world;
and nourish us with your Word.

Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Jesus, the Way, Truth and the Life,
be with us and with all the people who follow you.
Convert our hearts to your truth
and strengthen us with your resurrected life.
Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Christ, Suffering Servant,
grant us humility and the will to serve one another
mutually in fraternal love.
Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Jesus, the Good Shepherd,
who lays down his life for the sheep,
embrace us with your care.
and reveal the light of your presence
to the sick, weak and hopeless,
so that they may be comforted and strengthened.
Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Christ, who accepted the cross out of love,
help us overcome every form of selfishness.
Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Jesus, Lord of Life,
send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon your people,
that we may give faithful witness of the Resurrection.
Hear us, Lord of glory.

O Jesus, Resurrection and Life,
we give thanks for all people
who live and believe in you.

This Eastertide, grant us the joy of rising again
with you and with all your saints for a new life.

Hear us, Lord of glory.

Accept our prayers and remain with us forever.

Amen.

ON THE FEAST OF PENTECOST, IN COUNCILS AND SYNODS

Brothers and sisters,
let us ask for the Holy Spirit to enlighten us,
so we can be faithful to God's mission:

Come, Holy Spirit!

Come, Holy Spirit,
gift of God's love,
strengthen the Church in the search for unity.

Come Holy Spirit!

Come, Holy Spirit,
wind of renewal,
transform our lives and our ways.

Come Holy Spirit!

Come, Holy Spirit, Comforter,
Rescue all troubled people,
the oppressed and the sick.

Come Holy Spirit!

Come, Holy Spirit, Sanctifier,
grant the congregation of our
community (Diocese, Province)
and to all your people,
the grace to understand your Word and to believe in it,
showing forth faith in you in their lives.

Come Holy Spirit!

Come Holy Spirit and anoint all clergy,
so they can faithfully fulfill the duties
of their ministries,
build your Church and glorify your Name.

Come Holy Spirit!

Come Holy Spirit,
bless, sustain and encourage our Bishop(s), **N**,
and clothe him/her with all Christian virtue.

Come Holy Spirit!

Come, Holy Spirit,
grant peace and eternal rest
to all the people who have departed this life,
and console those who suffer from loss and longing.

Come Holy Spirit!

Holy Spirit of God,
we thank you for our lives.
Strengthen us so that, with patience and understanding,
we can love and care for each other,
and offer to you our gifts and talents;
through the one who lives and reigns with you
and with Christ the Savior,
one God for ever and ever.

Come Holy Spirit! Amen.

ON THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

In faith, let us pray to the Creator Father,
to the Redeemer Son
and to the Sanctifier Spirit, saying:
Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For the Church of the Living God
gathered around the world (especially in **N**),
let us pray for the riches of God's Grace.
Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For all the people who proclaim the Word of truth,
the Gospel of Salvation,
let us pray for the infinite wisdom of Christ.
Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For (**N**), our Primate, (**N**), our Diocesan,
and for all bishops,
priests, and deacons,
let us pray that they may have fullness in your love,
hunger and thirst for your righteousness.
Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For the leaders of all nations
and for those people who govern our country,
that they may promote justice and peace,
let us pray for God's power.
Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For the restoration of health
to all the sick (especially **N**),
we pray for God's infinite goodness and mercy.

Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For all the people who have left this life in
obedience and faith (remembering especially **N**),
let us pray for the peace of Christ.

Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For our parish community,
for the experience of unity
let us pray for God's gifts.

Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

For all people who, in each generation,
have lived and honored Christ (especially **N**),
we pray for eternal rest and communion with
all saints in glory.

Hear us, Most Holy Trinity, one God.

Amen.

ON THANKSGIVING OCCASIONS

Blessed are you, eternal God.

You are worthy of praise and glory forever.

Hear us, heavenly God,
when we pray for the unity
of all your children.

May we be one, so the world will believe.

Grant that each person
may serve you in true humility.

May the life of Christ be revealed in us.

Grant gifts and blessings to the leaders of our country.

May they may stand firm in the faith.

Remain with those who teach.

May they may always be open to your Word.

Bless those who bring healing to this world.

**May they bring restoration and
integrity to others in your Name.**

Inspire the people through whom you speak.

**May they proclaim your Word mightily,
and open their ears to the soft whisper of your voice.**

Bless those who work in our world.
**So that, in the complexity of their daily lives,
they may live for you,
serve your will,
and seek first your reign.**

Have compassion on all who suffer
with sickness, sorrow, and affliction.
May they find strength and protection in your presence.

Look with kindness on our homes and families.
**Let your love grow
in our hearts and in our midst.**

Keep us sensitive
to the needs of our brothers and sisters.
**Help us share both our joys
and our struggles.**

We thank you for your creation,
and ask you that it may be cared for wisely,
and that human work may be respected.
**May the world be free
of misery, hunger and destruction.**

We praise you for all your saints
who rest in your eternal glory.
**May we also come to share
in your Celestial Reign.
Lord of all, hear our prayers. Amen.**

GENERAL OCCASIONS A

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

We now present to you, good God,
our intercessions for the Church of your Son Jesus Christ
and for all creatures.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

Guide, O God, all your people
in the way of visible unity for the Church,
that there may be one flock and one Shepherd.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

We ask you for bishops
(especially our bishop **N**),
priests (especially **N**),
deacons (especially **N**)
and for all the people of God.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For this Parish (or for this Mission)
and for all the people who serve you in your Holy Church.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For all the people who work
for the propagation of the Gospel of love,
peace, joy and consolation.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For peace and justice
around the world,
and in Brazil, praying especially for those who govern it.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For all women and men
in their daily life and work.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For our homes, for families,
for schools, seminaries,
teachers and students.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For prisoners,
and for those who suffer persecution and oppression.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For the poor and
oppressed people,
the troubled and sick (especially N).

Let us pray to the Lord.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For God's blessing on N (people, events).

Let us pray to the Lord.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

In thanksgiving for N (people, events).

Let us pray to the Lord.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

For all people
who have departed this life,
entrusting them
to God's merciful love.
(especially remembering N).

Let us pray to the Lord.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

Receive our thanksgiving for all your saints
(such as N, whom we celebrate on this day).
We pray that, rejoicing in their fellowship,
following their good examples,
and with the encouragement of their prayers,
we may share in your Reign.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit,
we beseech thee to hear us, O Lord.**

The intercession ends with this collect, which is prayed by all.

Another suitable collect may be used.

**Omnipotent and Eternal God,
who rules all things in heaven and on earth:
mercifully accept the prayers of your people,
and strengthen us to do your will.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GENERAL OCCASIONS B

In the power of the Holy Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to God.

Hear, O Lord, our prayers.

Grant, Almighty God,
that all the people who confess your name
may be united in your truth and love and live in your service.

May your glory be revealed to the world.

We pray to you for all bishops,
[such as our Bishop _____],
priests (especially **N**),
deacons (especially **N**),
and for all the people of your holy Church.

May they serve you with joy.

Grant that your Church may remain faithful
in the proclamation of the Gospel.

May the whole earth give you thanks.

We pray for those who still do not believe in you,
and for those whose faith has been weakened or lost.

**May they receive the light of the Gospel
and joy abound in heaven and on earth.**

Strengthen and inspire
our proclamation of the Gospel.

**May the power of the
resurrection of your Christ be known.**

We pray for those who exercise authority
and for those who work for the well-being of the people.
May there be peace and justice on earth.

For wisdom in using the riches of Creation
and for all human labor.
Let us pray to the Lord.
**May the world be free from poverty, hunger and
wrongdoing.**

Help, o Lord, the afflicted, the poor,
the oppressed, and the sick
(especially N)
Let us pray to the Lord.
**May they have your support and company,
let there be healing of their illnesses
and peace and joy among all.**

We thank you for N,
(facts, names, visitors may be mentioned)
Let us pray to the Lord.
Receive, Lord, our gratitude.

We pray for N
(facts and names may be mentioned:
evangelism efforts, for example)
Let us pray to the Lord.
Hear, O Lord, our supplication.

We praise you, O God, for all the people who, in every generation, lived and honored Christ (especially **N**).

Let us pray to the Lord.

Grant that we may share in the inheritance of all your saints.

The intercession ends with this collect, which is prayed by all.

Another suitable collect may be used.

**Almighty and Eternal God,
who rules all things in heaven and on earth:
mercifully accept the prayers of your people,
and strengthen us to do your will.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Offertory Sentences

All shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you.

(Deuteronomy 16:17)

Yours, O Lord, are the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heavens and on the earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.

(I Chronicles 29:11)

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

(Psalm 50:14)

Ascribe to the LORD the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

(Psalm 96:8)

So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.

(Matthew 5:23-24)

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.

(Luke 6:38)

In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said, *“It is more blessed to give than to receive.”*

(Acts 20:35b)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

(Romans 12:1)

So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

(Galatians 6:9-10a)

Live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

(Ephesians 5:2)

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

(II Corinthians 9:7)

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

(Hebrews 13:15-16)

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.

(I Peter 4:10)

How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

(I John 3:17)

You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.

(Revelation 4:11)

Proper Prefaces

PREFACES FOR ORDINARY TIME

OF GOD THE FATHER

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

OF GOD THE SON

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

OF GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

PREFÁCIOS PARA AS QUADRAS

DURING ADVENT

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to contemplate the splendor of his glory.

DURING CHRISTMASTIDE

Because you gave us Jesus Christ, your only son, who, by the power of the Holy Spirit, was born in this time of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; that we, being freed from sin, might receive the grace to become your sons and daughters.

ON THE FEASTS OF EPIPHANY, PRESENTATION, ANNUNCIATION AND TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

DURING LENT

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who knows our weaknesses; for he was tempted in all ways, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

DURING HOLY WEEK

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

FROM EASTER DAY THROUGH THE EVE OF THE ASCENSION

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

FROM ASCENSION DAY THROUGH THE EVE OF PENTECOST

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

ON THE FEAST OF PENTECOST, IN COUNCILS AND SYNODS

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down upon the Church, to teach and to lead her into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving us the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

ON THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

For with your Only Begotten Son and Holy Spirit, three Persons, one God, you are eternal and sovereign, worthy of praise and honor, world without end.

ON THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

ON THE FEAST OF A SAINT

For the wonderful grace declared (in **N** and) in all your saints, who have been the chosen vessels of your grace, and the lights of the world in their generations.

or:

ON THE FEAST OF A SAINT

Because you are greatly glorified (by **N**) in the assembly of your saints. All your creatures praise you, and your faithful servants bless you, confessing before the rulers of this world the great Name of your only Son.

ON THE FEAST OF AN APOSTLE AND AT ORDINATIONS

Through the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

ON THE FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF A CHURCH

Through Jesus Christ our great High Priest; in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in your sight.

FOR BAPTISMS, AND ON CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

FOR HOLY MATRIMONY

Because in the giving of two people to each other in faithful love you revealed the joy and abundant life you share with your Son Jesus Christ.

IN FUNERALS AND MEMORIALS

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Optional Blessings

DURING ADVENT

May the Sun of Righteousness
shine upon us and scatter the darkness
from before our path;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

DURING CHRISTMASTIDE

May Christ, who by his Incarnation
gathered into one things earthly and heavenly,
fill us with joy and peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

ON THE FEASTS OF EPIPHANY, PRESENTATION, ANNUNCIATION AND TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

May Christ, Son of God,
cheer our hearts
with the Good News of the Reign of God;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

DURING LENT

May Christ grant us
the grace to deny ourselves,
grow in holiness,
take up our cross
and follow him;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

DURING HOLY WEEK

Christ, the crucified, drew us to himself,
that we may find in him the strong foundation of faith,
the firm support of hope
and the certainty of the forgiveness of sins;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

FROM EASTER DAY THROUGH THE EVE OF ASCENSION

The God of peace,
who brought again from the dead
our Lord Jesus Christ,
the great Shepherd of the sheep,
make us perfect in every good work to do his will;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

FROM ASCENSION DAY THROUGH
THE EVE OF PENTECOST
AND ON CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

May Christ, our King, make us faithful and strong
so we may follow his will
and reign in glory with him;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

ON THE FEAST OF PENTECOST,
IN COUNCILS AND SYNODS

May the Spirit of truth
lead us into all truth,
giving us grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
and to proclaim the Word and works of God;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

ON THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

The Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless us, defend us on every side
and bring us to the way of truth and peace;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

ON THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND ON THE FEAST OF A SAINT

May God give us grace to follow
(N and) all saints
in faith and hope and love;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

IN ORDINATIONS AND FOR UNITY

Christ, the Good Shepherd,
who offered his life for his sheep,
gather us and unite all people (such as N)
who followed his voice,
so we may be one single flock;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

GENERAL OCCASIONS

And now may God's blessing remain
with all God's people,
in all languages and countries!
May the Lord grant mercy to those who seek God!
May the Lord console those who suffer and cry!
May the Lord hasten God's coming
and give us the fullness of God's peace.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

May the love of God unite us;
the joy of God inspire us;
the peace of God enfold us;
the courage of God sustain us;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

May the love of Christ draw us;
the power of Christ strengthen us in service;
the joy of Christ fill our hearts;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

Grant us, Lord God,
an intelligence that knows you,
an anguish that seeks you,
a wisdom that finds you,
a life that pleases you,
a perseverance that awaits for you with confidence
and a confidence that is found in you only.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

The Lord bless us and keep us,
the Lord make his face shine upon us
and give us God's glorious peace.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

May God bless us with discomfort
at easy answers, half truths, and superficial relationships,
with anger at injustice, oppression and violence,
so we may work for justice, equality and peace,
and bear witness to the faith in our hearts.

May God bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer
from pain, rejection, starvation, and war,
so that we may reach out our hands to comfort them
and turn their pain to joy.

And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

The Holy God and Giver of life teach us
to revere all the work of God's hands,
to praise God in everything we do,
to take part in the work of Creation,
and to live for God's glory;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

May the path be smooth at our feet.
May the wind blow lightly on our shoulders.
May the sun shine warmly on our faces.
May the rains fall serenely in our fields.
And until we meet again,
may God hold us in the palm of God's hand.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us, and remain with us always. **Amen.**

Initiation Rites

§ Guidelines

*It is a privilege of the bishop, when present, to **preside** and to **preach**.*

Whoever presides, bishop or priest, should also proclaim the Trinitarian invocation, pray the collect of the day, pronounce the absolution, announce the peace, and proclaim the final blessing. In all liturgical celebrations, it is appropriate that the person who presides be assisted by other ordained and lay people.

*It is advisable that other priests join the one who presides **next to the Altar**, participating in the consecration of the elements, of the breaking of the bread, and the distribution of Holy Communion.*

It is the deacon's privilege, when present, to read the Gospel, to lead the Prayers of the People, to call people to the confession of sins, to prepare the Lord's Table, to lay on it the offerings of bread and wine, and to proclaim the Dismissal.

In the absence of a deacon, these ministrations may be made by an assistant priest, or by lay people.

Lay people should normally be appointed to give the Bible readings that precede the Gospel.

§ Liturgical Flow

All fixed and moveable parts, as well as responses, may be sung at the discretion of the people who minister and those involved in liturgical planning.

Psalms, hymns and antiphons may be inserted at various times. Traditionally, hymns and antiphons are sung for the procession, at the offertory, during Holy Communion, and for the recession.

A psalm or canticle is traditionally sung between the first and second readings.

Prayers and collects may be used interchangeably among the following rites, if the officiant finds them appropriate.

Whenever Holy Baptism, Confirmation, or Reception is followed by Holy Communion, rubrics for the Holy Eucharist also apply.

On Sundays and major feasts, propers for the day must be used. If Baptism, Confirmation, or Reception occurs within the context of a longer liturgy, such as the Great Vigil of Easter, only the sections called “Liturgy of Baptism,” “Liturgy of Confirmation and Reception,” or “Liturgy of Baptism, Confirmation, and Reception” must be used by inserting them into the rite.

These rites should preferably be celebrated on Sundays and major feasts so that the congregation may witness and remember their own baptismal vows and promises.

In this sense it is especially appropriate to perform baptism at the Easter Vigil, on Pentecost, on All Saints’ Day, and on the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. If no baptism is scheduled on these dates, the Baptismal Covenant may be used instead of the Creed.

Confirmations and receptions are appropriate on these or other major feasts.

§ Holy Baptism

Holy Baptism is the Sacrament of Christian Initiation. By water and the Holy Spirit the baptized person is born into a new life and is grafted into the Body of Christ, the Church. The officiant should be informed if the candidate has already been baptized with water and in the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, since Christian baptism is to be administered only once. In case of doubt, the following conditional formula should be used:

“If you are not already baptized, N, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

Whenever children are to be baptized, their guardians will advise whomever will officiate the Baptism well in advance, so that guardians and godparents may receive proper instruction, approved by the diocesan authority.

Each child should have baptized people as godparents. Godparents will make personal promises and vows on behalf of their respective godchildren. Guardians may also serve as godparents.

In case of an adult baptism the candidate will be instructed and prepared in advance. There will be at least two baptized witnesses, who will be responsible for supporting such candidate in his/her Christian life, through prayer and example.

Water will be poured into the font immediately before the Blessing over the Water.

The candle mentioned in this rite should be made of wax for greater durability.

Its bottom can be engraved with the date of baptism.

Guardians are advised to light the candle every year, on the anniversary of the child's baptism, until his/her confirmation.

When baptism is administered with the Holy Eucharist, and it does not take place on a Sunday or major feast, the reading of the First Testament will be Ezekiel 36:25a, 26-28.

The officiant may use the following words from Scripture at an appropriate point in the liturgy:

Let us hear the words of the first Evangelists regarding Holy Baptism. **Matthew** writes: "And Jesus came and said to them: All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you."
(Matthew 28.18-20a).

We read in **Mark**: "Jesus said to them: Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it. And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them."
(Mark 10.14-16).

John wrote: "Jesus answered: Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit." (John 3.5).

Let us also hear what the apostle **Paul** says: "For in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."
(Galatians 3.26-27).

§ Emergency Baptism

*In life-threatening cases, after the child (or person) has been named, any baptized Christian may pour water on him/her, saying, “**N., I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**”*

If such baptism was not performed by a minister, the person who who did it must immediately notify one. As soon as the person’s health recovers, the minister will receive him/her at the parish.

§ Confirmation and Reception

When the Rites of Confirmation, Reception, or Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows are used as a separate ceremony from Baptism, the Liturgy of Confirmation and Reception in accordance with the Rite set forth in this Book must be used.

Adults who desire to receive Holy Baptism must, preferably, be confirmed at the same liturgy.

It is expected that, as a normal step of maturing of Christian life, people who have been baptized in childhood, whenever they are willing and having been properly prepared, will make a public and conscious affirmation of faith and their baptismal vows and then receive the imposition of hands from the bishop.

§ Joint Celebration of Holy Baptism, Confirmation and Reception

This liturgy should be used when such rites happen in a single liturgy.

Adults who desire to be baptized must, preferably, be confirmed at the same liturgy.

§ Oil Consecration Formula

*In the absence of Chrism oil, the bishop may use the following formula to consecrate the oil: “**Eternal Father, whose blessed Son was anointed by the Holy Spirit to be the savior and servant of humankind, we pray you to consecrate this oil, that the people who are sealed with it may share in the royal priesthood of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.**”*

Holy Baptism

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PREPARATION

*All people's responses come in bold.
All stand, whenever possible, and the person who presides proclaims:*

Blessed be God: Father,
Son and Holy Spirit. *or* Blessed be the Most Holy
Trinity, one God.

Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

With joy, let us praise God:

the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Through his mercy we are born again

into a life of love and hope,

by the resurrection of Jesus Christ

and by the transforming waters of baptism.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Our Lord Jesus Christ taught us

that to enter the kingdom of heaven

we must be born again by water and the Spirit,

and gave us baptism as a sign

and seal of this new birth.

Through baptism, the Holy Spirit washes and purifies us.
Through baptism, we put on Christ,
dying to sin and sharing in his resurrected life.
As children of God, we find new dignity
in the calling of God to the fullness of new life.

The following may be sung, or said:

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

or

Kyrie Eleison.

Christe Eleison.

Kyrie Eleison.

The following may be sung, or said:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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

**Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

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 OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

or

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Let us pray.

Whoever presides prays the collect.

Loving God,
who through our baptism
into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ,
has set us free from the reign of sin,
grant that we may live as new creatures
in righteousness and holiness all the days of our life.
Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

READINGS

One of the readings can be omitted.

*A psalm, a portion of a psalm or hymn may be sung,
or moments of silence after each reading may be kept.*

All sit for the reading(s).

God's Word, written in _____.

Whoever reads ends with:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*All **stand**, whenever possible,
for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to _____.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Whoever proclaims the Gospel ends with:

The Gospel of the Lord!
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

At this moment, a hymn may be sung.

LITURGY OF BAPTISM

WELCOME

*Guardians (in case of infant baptism), godparents
and person(s) to be baptized move to the entrance
of the sanctuary, or next to the baptismal font.*

*The group answers all responses in **bold**. This includes
catechumens who can speak for themselves.*

This is the house of God. Receive our welcome!

**We present this child (person)
to be received into the Church by Holy Baptism.**

*The following promises are made by godparents
or by the person who will be baptized.*

Do you know the significance of Holy Baptism?

**I know that, through baptism, we are born by the Spirit;
we are brought to the community of the faithful;
and we become children of God
and disciples of Christ.**

Have you considered the commitment you make,
in accepting the call of the Lord Jesus Christ?

**I am aware that I must
fulfill my part in the mission
entrusted to the People of God.**

Do you renounce evil and all its powers
that rebel against God,
corrupt and destroy creatures,
and set us apart from the love of God?

Yes, I renounce them.

Do you accept Jesus Christ as your Savior?

Yes, Jesus Christ is my Savior.

Do you put all your trust in Christ's grace and love?

Yes, I put my trust in the Lord.

Do you promise to follow and obey
Jesus Christ as your Lord?

Yes, I promise.

Do you believe in all articles of the Christian faith
contained in the Apostles' Creed?

Yes, I believe them.

Do you promise to guide *this* child/children/person(s)
according to the principles of the Christian faith,
and thus prepare him/her/them, in due time,
to be presented to the Bishop for Confirmation?

Yes, I promise.

Come then, my brothers and sisters:
the people of this community rejoice with you,
and are renewed in faith by receiving
this child/children/person(s) as our sibling,
through the bond of faith in God's service.

*All **stand**, whenever possible, for the Baptismal Covenant.
When baptism is celebrated in the context of the Holy Eucharist
or on major feasts, whoever presides may say words from the
Evangelists, under the rubrics on page 546, while the group of
guardians, godparents and person(s) to be baptized is guided to
the baptismal font.*

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*All people make their affirmation
of faith and service individually.*

Let us join with these persons
and, with them, renew the vows
of our own Baptismal Covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and 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,
ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and
fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and,
whenever you fall into sin,
repent and return to the Lord?
I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example
the Good News of the Kingdom of God?
I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to teach, baptize, and nurture new believers into the Body of Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you respond to human need with loving service, serving Christ in all persons?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek to transform the unjust foundations of society, challenging violence of every kind, respecting the dignity of every human being, and pursuing peace and reconciliation?

I will, with God's help.

Will you struggle to safeguard the integrity of creation?

I will, with God's help.

INTERCESSIONS

Whoever officiates says:

The goodwill of God, our Father and Mother, knows no end.
Let us pray for this(these) child/children/person(s).

Some moments of silence are kept.

Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill us with your holy and life giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to love other people
in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send us into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Source of eternal life,
grant, by your Holy Spirit,
new birth to all people
who pass through the waters of baptism.
May they know you more and more
in your Church's family.
Help them in their new lives to resist evil,
that they may ever grow
in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

BLESSING OF THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

or

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to Lord our God.

It is right and just.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the gift of water.
Over it the Holy Spirit moved
at the beginning of creation;
through it you led the children of Israel
out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise;
in it Jesus received the baptism of John
and was revealed by the Holy Spirit
as your Son, the Christ, to lead us,
through his death and resurrection,
from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you for the water of Baptism;
in it we are buried with Christ in his death,
we share in his resurrection.
and we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son,
we bring into his fellowship
those who come to him in faith
to be baptized.

The Bishop, if present, or the Priest, says this blessing.

Sanctify this water † by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that all those who are baptized in it
may be purified and reborn in Christ,
receive the remission of sins,
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ,
our Savior, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

BAPTISM

*Whoever officiates asks guardians and godparents
of each child (person) to be baptized:*

Which name is given to this child/person?

After the name is publicly announced, s/he continues:

N, I baptize you
in the Name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*And marks on the forehead of the child (person)
the sign of the cross, using Chrism if desired.*

N, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit
in Baptism and marked with the sign of the Cross. †
You are Christ's own for ever.

Amen.

A lit candle may be given to guardians or godparents.

I give you this Light,
**as a witness that you have gone
from darkness to light.
Now you must shine like this light in the world,
to the glory of God.**

Let us greet this new member(s)
of the Body of Christ, saying:
**God has welcomed you into his Church,
through Baptism;
with joy, we have become the Lord's family.
We are members of the Body of Christ,
children of the same Heavenly Father,
and citizens of the Kingdom of God.
Let us confess the faith of Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection,
and share in his eternal priesthood.**

*If the Holy Eucharist is to follow,
the Lord's Prayer is omitted.*

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ
has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

*Even when the Holy Eucharist follows,
the following concluding prayers may be said:*

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

For infant baptisms:

Lord Jesus Christ,
who has taken **N**
into your merciful arms
and made him/her/them living member(s) of your Church;
give him/her/them grace, we pray you,
to grow in your faith,
obey your Word,
and persevere in your love;
so that, strengthened by your Holy Spirit,
he/she/they may resist temptation, overcome evil,
and rejoice with you in the life to come,
through your merits, o merciful Savior,
who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
lives and reigns one God, world without end.

Amen.

For adult baptisms:

Most merciful God,
we give you thanks with full hearts
for the grace that you have given to **N.**,
adopting him/her/them into your family
and joining him/her/them to your Holy Church.
By your Holy Spirit, may he/she/they come to share
in your eternal Kingdom;
through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

All stand, whenever possible, and the person who presides proclaims:

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

First, whoever officiates and the baptized person's (people's) family greet each other, after which all those present may greet one another with Christ's peace.

The liturgy continues with Holy Communion, with the propers for Holy Baptism.

If there is no Communion, the liturgy continues with the Blessing and the Dismissal.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

If there is Holy Communion, the following Post-Communion prayer should be used:

POST-COMMUNION

**O God,
through your Holy Spirit,
the whole church is governed and sanctified;
preserve in the new members of this family
the fullness of your grace.
Grant that, having been reborn in Christ,
they may know the power of your risen life.
Keep us in faith,
and strengthen us to walk in service to the end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest,
says this or another blessing.*

*Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

The God of all grace,
who called us to the eternal glory
in Christ Jesus,
strengthen us and
protect us in our faith;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with us
and dwell with us forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

God has delivered us from the valley of shadow and death
and has prepared for us a special place
with the saints.

You have received the light of Christ;
walk in that light as long as you live.

**May we shine like the Light of the World,
showing forth the glory of God.**

Let us go forth in the light of Christ. (Alleluia!)

Thanks be to God. (Alleluia!)

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

Confirmation and Reception

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PREPARATION

*All people's responses come in **bold**.
All **stand**, whenever possible, and the person who presides
proclaims:*

Blessed be God: Father,
Son and Holy Spirit. *or* Blessed be the Most
Holy Trinity, one God.

Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

God is love, God gives us life.
We love because God first loved us.
At baptism God declared this love;
Today, God invites us to affirm it.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

This person has come
to make a deeper commitment
to our Lord Jesus Christ,
renewing his/her/their baptismal vows.
We are here to bear witness,
to support, and pray for this(these) person(s)
in his/her/their calling.

It may be sung, or said:

KYRIE ELEISON

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

or **Kyrie Eleison.
Christe Eleison.
Kyrie Eleison.**

It may be sung, or said:

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth, peace to people of goodwill.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
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 OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

or

The Lord is here.
God's Spirit is with us.

Let us pray.

Whoever presides prays the collect.

Faithful God, grant that we,
who have been freed from the reign of sin
through our baptism in the death and resurrection
of your Son Jesus Christ,
may find renewal by your Holy Spirit
and live in righteousness and holiness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and always.

Amen.

READINGS

One of the readings can be omitted.

*A psalm, a portion of a psalm or hymn may be sung,
or moments of silence after
each reading may be kept.*

*All **sit** for the reading(s).*

God's Word, written in _____.

Whoever reads ends

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*All **stand**, whenever possible,
for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to _____.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Whoever proclaims the Gospel ends with:

The Gospel of the Lord!
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

At this moment, a hymn may be sung.

LITURGY OF CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION

WELCOME

*The person(people) to be confirmed and/or received,
and presenters, will move forward
and stand before the Bishop.*

Presenters say, in unison:

Right Reverend Father(Mother) in God,
I/we present *this person*
to be confirmed

and/or

to be received into the communion of this Church.

The Bishop addresses those who are to be confirmed

You are in the presence of God
and of this congregation
to renew the solemn promises and vows
you have made, or that were made
on your behalf in baptism; therefore:
Do you reaffirm your renouncement of evil?
Yes, I renounce it.

Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
**Yes, and by God's grace I will follow him
as my Lord and Savior.**

Do you believe this Church to be a member
of the One, Holy, Catholic,
and Apostolic Church of Christ?
Yes, I believe so.

Do you promise to be faithful to the teaching,
discipline, and worship of this Church?
Yes, I promise.

The Bishop addresses the congregation

Will you, who witness these vows,
do all in your power
to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?
We will, with God's help.

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*All people make their affirmation
of faith and service individually.*

Let us join with these persons
and, with them, renew the vows
of our own Baptismal Covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and 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,
ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of the Kingdom of God?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to teach, baptize, and nurture new believers into the Body of Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you respond to human need with loving service, serving Christ in all persons?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek to transform the unjust foundations of society, challenging violence of every kind, respecting the dignity of every human being, and pursuing peace and reconciliation?

I will, with God's help.

Will you struggle to safeguard the integrity of creation?

I will, with God's help.

INTERCESSIONS

Whoever officiates says:

The goodwill of God, our Father and Mother, knows no end.

Let us pray for this(these) person(s).

Some moments of silence are kept.

Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill us with your holy and life giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to love other people in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send us into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The Bishop concludes with the following prayer:

Glorious God,

we give thanks to you, for,

through the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ,

you have conquered death and sin

and brought us to life with you.

By the anointing of the Holy Spirit,

you have brought us together in your service.

Renew in these your servant(s)

the covenant you have made through Baptism.

Send *them*, by the power of the same Spirit,

to do the work you have prepared for them,

through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CONFIRMATION

The Bishop lays hands on each person and says:

Strengthen, O Lord, your son/daughter **N**
with your Holy Spirit;
empower him/her for your service
and sustain him/her all the days of his/her life.

Amen.

or

Defend, O Lord, your servant **N**
with your heavenly grace,
that he/she may continue in your fellowship for ever,
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more,
until he/she comes to your everlasting Kingdom.

Amen.

RECEPTION

The Bishop holds the right hand of each person and says:

N, I admit you to the communion of this Church.
With joy, we receive you into our fellowship.
The Peace of Christ be always with you,
in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*If the Holy Eucharist is to follow,
the Lord's Prayer is omitted.*

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us,
we now pray:

The Lord's Prayer on page 288 may be used.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.**

*Even when the Holy Eucharist follows,
the following concluding prayer may be said:*

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Loving God,
we pray that your hand be always over
these your sons and daughters;
ever granting them the grace of your Holy Spirit,

that they may remain in knowledge of your Word,
and keep its commandments,
serving you in this life
and in the life to come,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

*All **stand**, whenever possible, and the person who presides proclaims:*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

*First, **whoever officiates and the confirmed (or received)
person's (people's) family greet each other,**
after which all those present may
greet one another with Christ's peace.*

*The liturgy continues with Holy Communion,
with the propers for Holy Baptism.*

*If there is no Holy Communion, the liturgy
continues with the Blessing and the Dismissal.*

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*If there is Holy Communion, the following
Post-Communion prayer should be used:*

POST-COMMUNION

**Living God,
we thank you for strengthening us
in the holy mysteries
of the Body and Blood of our Lord.
We ask you to sustain and strengthen us,
that we may give strength and hope to the world,
and hold fast to the promises of our baptism
and to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you, and with the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.
Amen.**

BLESSING

*The Bishop says this, or another blessing.
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The God of all grace,
who called us to his eternal glory
in Christ Jesus
strengthen us
and protect us in our faith;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with us
and dwell with us forever.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

The light of Christ is upon you.
Shine like the Light of the World.
**As the seed grows in the earth,
and the yeast gives life to bread,
may the power of God work in us.
As a city on a hill,
as a lamp in darkness,
may we be witnesses to the light
of the Kingdom of God.**
Let us go in the light of Christ. (Alleluia!)
Thanks be to God. (Alleluia!)

In Lent and other penitential occasions, the Alleluia is omitted.

Joint Celebration of Holy Baptism, Confirmation And Reception

LITURGY OF THE WORD

PREPARATION

*All people's responses come in bold.
All **stand**, whenever possible, and the person who presides proclaims:*

Blessed be God: Father,
Son and Holy Spirit.

or

Blessed be the Most
Holy Trinity, one God.

Blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit!

There is one hope of our divine vocation!

There is one Lord, one faith, one Baptism,
one God, Father and Mother of all humankind.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Faith is the gift of God to the people of God.
In baptism, the Lord welcomes us
into the communion of people who were called to this faith.
We are washed and purified
by the power of the Holy Spirit
and brought to new life in Christ.
The covenant of baptism continues in our lives,
for God ever calls us
to growth, to reconciliation, and to forgiveness.
Our Christian initiation, which began at baptism,
is completed in our commitment to Christ
and his Kingdom of justice and peace
through the reaffirmation of our baptismal vows
and through the laying on of hands by the bishop.

It may be sung, or said:

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

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or

The Lord is here.
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Let us pray.

Whoever presides prays the collect.

Heavenly God,
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
you have given your faithful people new life
through the waters of baptism.
By the same Spirit,
guide us and sanctify us,
that all people who were born again
may serve you in faith and love,
and grow to the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever. **Amen.**

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Whoever reads ends with:

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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for the proclamation of the Gospel.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to _____.
Glory to you, O Lord.

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Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

At this moment, a hymn may be sung.

LITURGY OF BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION

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*Guardians (in case of infant baptism), godparents
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Do you know the significance of Holy Baptism?

**I know that, through baptism,
we are born by the Spirit;
we are brought to the community of the faithful;
and we become children of God
and disciples of Christ.**

Have you considered the commitment you make,
in accepting the call of the Lord Jesus Christ?

**I am aware that I must fulfill my part
in the mission entrusted to the People of God.**

Do you renounce evil and all its powers
that rebel against God,
corrupt and destroy creatures,
and set us apart from the love of God?

Yes, I renounce them.

Do you accept Jesus Christ as your Savior?

Yes, Jesus Christ is my Savior.

Do you put all your trust in Christ's grace and love?

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Jesus Christ as your Lord?

Yes, I promise.

Do you believe in all articles of the Christian faith
contained in the Apostles' Creed?

Yes, I believe them.

Do you promise to guide this child/children/person(s)
according to the principles of the Christian faith,
and thus prepare him/her/them, in due time,
to be presented to the Bishop for Confirmation?

Yes, I promise.

Come then, my brothers and sisters:
the people of this community rejoice with you,
and are renewed in faith by receiving
this child/children/person(s) as our sibling,
through the bond of faith in God's service.

*All people stand, whenever possible,
and the group of guardians, godparents
and people to be baptized move towards the altar.*

*At this moment, person(people)
to be confirmed and/or received,
and presenters, will move forward
and stand before the Bishop.*

Presenters say, in unison:

Right Reverend Father(Mother) in God,
I/we present this person
to be confirmed

and/or

to be received into the communion of this Church.

The Bishop addresses those who are to be confirmed

You are in the presence of God
and of this congregation
to renew the solemn promises and vows
you have made, or that were made
on your behalf in baptism; therefore:
Do you reaffirm your renouncement of evil?
Yes, I renounce it.

Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
**Yes, and by God's grace I will follow him
as my Lord and Savior.**

Do you believe this Church to be a member
of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic
Church of Christ?
Yes, I believe so.

Do you promise to be faithful to the teaching,
discipline, and worship of this Church?
Yes, I promise.

The Bishop addresses the congregation

Will you, who witness these vows,
do all in your power
to support these persons in their life in Christ?
We will, with God's help.

BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*All people make their affirmation
of faith and service individually.*

Let us join with these persons
and, with them, renew the vows
of our own Baptismal Covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
and 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,
ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of the Kingdom of God?

I will, with God's help.

Will you strive to teach, baptize, and nurture new believers into the Body of Christ?

I will, with God's help.

Will you respond to human need with loving service, serving Christ in all persons?

I will, with God's help.

Will you seek to transform the unjust foundations of society, challenging violence of every kind, respecting the dignity of every human being, and pursuing peace and reconciliation?

I will, with God's help.

Will you struggle to safeguard the integrity of creation?

I will, with God's help.

INTERCESSIONS

Whoever officiates says:

The goodwill of God, our Father and Mother, knows no end.
Let us pray for this(these) person(s)
who are to be bathed in the waters of baptism
and renew their baptismal vows,
and for our own lives.

Some moments of silence are kept.

Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill us with your holy and life giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to love other people
in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send us into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

The bishop concludes with the following prayer:

Source of eternal life,
grant, by your Holy Spirit,
new birth to all people
who pass through the waters of baptism.
May they know you more and more
in your Church's family.
Help them in their new lives to resist evil,
that they may ever grow
in the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Renew also, in these your servant(s),
the covenant you have made with them through baptism.
Send them, by the power of the same Spirit,
that they may do the work you have prepared for them,
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

The bishop continues by blessing the water:

BLESSING OF THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

or

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to Lord our God.

It is right and just.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the gift of water.
Over it the Holy Spirit moved
at the beginning of creation;
through it you led the children of Israel
out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise;
in it Jesus received the baptism of John
and was revealed by the Holy Spirit
as your Son, the Christ, to lead us,
through his death and resurrection,
from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you for the water of Baptism;
in it we are buried with Christ in his death,
we share in his resurrection.
and we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son,
we bring into his fellowship
those who come to him in faith
to be baptized.

Sanctify this water † by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that all those who are baptized in it
may be purified and reborn in Christ,
receive the remission of sins,
and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ,
our Savior, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

BAPTISM

*Whoever officiates asks guardians and
godparents of each child (person) to be baptized:*

Which name is given to this child/person?

After the name is publicly announced, s/he continues:

N, I baptize you
in the Name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*And marks on the forehead of the child (person)
the sign of the cross, using Chrism if desired.*

N, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit
in Baptism and marked with the sign of the Cross. †
You are Christ's own for ever.

Amen.

A lit candle may be given to guardians or godparents.

I give you this Light,
**as a witness that you have gone
from darkness to light.**
**Now you must shine like this light in the world,
to the glory of God.**

Let us greet this new member(s)
of the Body of Christ, saying:
**God has welcomed you into his Church,
through Baptism;
with joy, we have become the Lord's family.
We are members of the Body of Christ,
children of the same Heavenly Father,
and citizens of the Kingdom of God.
Let us confess the faith of Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection,
and share in his eternal priesthood.**

CONFIRMATION

The Bishop lays hands on each person and says:

Strengthen, O Lord, your son/daughter **N**
with your Holy Spirit;
empower him/her for your service
and sustain him/her all the days of his/her life.
Amen.

or

Defend, O Lord, your servant **N**
with your heavenly grace,
that he/she may continue in your fellowship for ever,
and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more,
until he/she comes to your everlasting Kingdom.
Amen.

RECEPTION

The Bishop holds the right hand of each person and says:

N, I admit you to the communion of this Church.
With joy, we receive you into our fellowship.
The Peace of Christ be always with you,
in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*If the Holy Eucharist is to follow,
the Lord's Prayer is omitted.*

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us,
we now pray:

The Lord's Prayer on page 288 may be used.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
Let us not fall to temptation,
but deliver us from evil;
for the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.**

*Even when the Holy Eucharist follows,
the following concluding prayers may be said:*

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

For infant baptisms:

Lord Jesus Christ,
who has taken **N**
into your merciful arms
and made him/her/them living member(s) of your Church;
give him/her/them grace, we pray you,
to grow in your faith,
obey your Word,
and persevere in your love;
so that, strengthened by your Holy Spirit,
he/she/they may resist temptation, overcome evil,
and rejoice with you in the life to come,
through your merits, o merciful Savior,
who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
lives and reigns one God, world without end.
Amen.

For adult baptisms:

Most merciful God,
we give you thanks with full hearts
for the grace that you have given to **N.**,
adopting him/her/them into your family
and joining him/her/them to your Holy Church.
By your Holy Spirit, may he/she/they come to share
in your eternal Kingdom;
through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

For confirmations and receptions:

Loving God,
we pray that your hand be always over
these your sons and daughters;
ever granting them the grace of your Holy Spirit,
that they may remain in knowledge of your Word,
and keep its commandments,
serving you in this life
and in the life to come,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

*All **stand**, whenever possible,
and the person who presides proclaims:*

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

*First, **whoever officiates and the baptized, confirmed and/or
received people's families greet each other,**
after which all those present may greet
one another with Christ's peace.*

*The liturgy continues with Holy Communion,
with the propers for Holy Baptism.*

*If there is no Holy Communion, the liturgy
continues with the Blessing and the Dismissal.*

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*If there is Holy Communion, the following
Post-Communion prayer should be used:*

POST-COMMUNION

**Eternal God,
our beginning and our end,
preserve us, your people, in the new life of baptism,
and in the reaffirmation of the baptismal
covenant we make today,
that we may ever see the light of Christ before us
as we follow the perilous paths of this world,
and, at the last day, bring us to the joy of your Kingdom,
where, with the Son and the Holy Spirit,
you live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

BLESSING

*Whoever presides, bishop or priest, says this or another blessing.
Any adequate blessing, such as the ones starting on page 415,
may be used.*

The God of all grace,
who called us to the eternal glory in Christ Jesus
strengthen us and protect us in our faith;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with us
and dwell with us forever.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

*It is a privilege of the Deacon,
whenever present, to dismiss the people:*

God has buried our old nature,
and granted us new life to triumph over evil.
You are missionaries of the Kingdom,
carrying the eternal seal of the risen Christ.

Christ calls us, as brothers and sisters!

Let us act upon such call

and take the Gospel to all creatures.

Let us go in the light of Christ. (Alleluia!)

Thanks be to God. (Alleluia!)

*In Lent and other penitential occasions,
the Alleluia is omitted.*