

The Holy Eucharist

Concerning the Mass

The words of God are words of power. They bring to pass what they declare. At creation God said, "Let there be light", and there was light. In the Mass, God says, "This is my Body, This is my Blood," and it is so. Although it is the priest who stands at the altar, it is still Christ who speaks the words of power; the bread and wine become his body and blood, his real and true presence. (*St. Augustine's Prayer Book*)

This Sacrament was instituted by Christ at the Last Supper with his disciples. There he gave new meaning to the Passover meal by identifying himself with the sacrificial lambs, declaring that the bread and wine were his own body and blood, and that henceforth, this was to be done "in remembrance of me." Was ever a command so obeyed? The Mass has been offered for every conceivable human need and circumstance from the birth of a child to the repose of departed souls. Over and over, day by day, the Mass is offered at altars around the world in thanksgiving and supplication, strengthening the people of God. It is holy food for a people being made holy.

The Mass is "our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving." By acknowledging the Mass as sacrifice, we remember that Jesus freely gave of himself in love that we might have true life in him. The sacrifice of the Mass "participates" in the offering of Jesus at the Last Supper, in the offering of Jesus on the Cross, and in the continual offering of Jesus to his Father in Heaven. It also reminds us that we, too, are to live sacrificially.

We also speak of the Mass as the Holy Eucharist, as thanksgiving. We are reminded that Jesus "gave thanks" at the Last Supper. The Mass is the supreme act of Christian thanksgiving, whereby we recall what God has done for us in Christ. We come to Mass not only for what we receive, but because we need to worship.

Other common names for the Mass include the Holy Mysteries, because the fullness of the gift surpasses our

understanding; Holy Communion because we corporately share in the reception of his presence; the Blessed Sacrament because it is the greatest and holiest of Spiritual joys.

When we take bread and wine (the Offertory), give thanks (the Eucharistic Prayer), break the bread (the Fraction), and then receive Christ's Body and Blood (Communion), we are following Christ's command. It is a command of love, as we are fed by grace and united with him. It is as important that our souls be nourished with the Bread of Heaven and Cup of Salvation as it is for our earthly bodies to be nourished by food and drink. Holy Communion should be received regularly and often; for some that will mean daily, for others weekly, for others once or twice a month. Additionally, major days in the Church Year (such as Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, All Saint's Day) and in one's own life should be celebrated by reception of Holy Communion.

Careful preparation by prayer and self-examination are required before receiving Communion (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Intending communicants must be free from willful sin, in charity with all, and in reverent fear of God, clean both in heart and soul, with full purpose to remain so. When a communicant's conscience is not clear, before approaching the Sacrament the communicant should first seek counsel, penance, and absolution from a priest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Fasting is another traditional method of preparation by which we empty ourselves physically so that we may receive him spiritually.

In the Eucharist, we most clearly find ourselves transformed into the holy people of God. We are not to be "as gods," a competing horde of rivals to the One Living God; rather we are his creatures, fallen, yet redeemed in love; his own dear children, whom he willed to make "partakers of the divine nature." We come to adore him and we leave strengthened by the Word of God to do his will.

Preparation for Mass

The following are traditional prayers said before Mass. Worshipers may wish to pray any of the following or Psalms 82, 83, and 84.

- V. ✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
- R. Amen.
- V. I will go unto the altar of God:
- R. **Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.**
- V. Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.
- R. **For thou art the God of my strength; why hast thou put me from thee: and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?**
- V. O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.
- R. **And that I may go unto the altar of God, even the God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.**
- V. Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?
- R. **O put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.**
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
- R. **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**
- V. I will go unto the altar of God:
- R. **Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.**
- V. ✠ Our help is in the Name of the Lord:
- R. **Who hath made heaven and earth.**

- V. I confess to God Almighty...
- R. **God Almighty have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life.**
- V. Amen.
- R. **I confess to God Almighty, to Blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to thee, father, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word and deed, by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. Wherefore I beg blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and thee, father, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**
- V. God Almighty have mercy upon *you*, forgive *you your* sins, and bring *you* to everlasting life.
- R. Amen.
- V. ✠ The Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins.
- R. Amen.
- V. Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us, O God?
- R. **That thy people may rejoice in thee.**
- V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.
- R. **And grant us thy salvation.**
- V. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- R. **And let my cry come unto thee.**
- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. **And with thy spirit.**
- V. Let us pray...

We beseech thee, Almighty God, to purify our consciences by thy daily visitation, that when thy Son our Lord cometh he may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O Almighty God, who pourest out on all who desire it the spirit of grace and of supplication: Deliver us, when we draw near to thee, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as thou wast present with thy disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesu, hear me;
Within thy wounds hide me;
Suffer me not to be separated from thee;
From the malicious enemy defend me;
In the hour of my death call me,
And bid me come to thee.
That with thy saints I may praise thee
For ever and ever. **Amen.**

The following devotions, mementos of baptism, may be used preceding the principal Mass on Sundays.

Asperges (except during Eastertide)

Thou shalt purge me, * O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Ps. Have mercy upon me, O God: after thy great goodness.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost; *R.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Thou shalt purge me...

Vidi Aquam (from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost)

I saw water, * proceeding out of the temple, on the right side thereof, alleluia: and all they to whom that water came were healed every one; and they say, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever. *V.* Glory be... I saw water...

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; [alleluia]

R. **And grant us thy salvation.** [alleluia]

V. O Lord, hear my prayer;

R. **And let my cry come unto thee.**

V. The Lord be with you;

R. **And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Graciously hear us, O Lord, Holy Father Almighty, Everlasting God; and may it please Thee to send thy holy Angel from heaven to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this thy holy habitation. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

An Exhortation

This Exhortation may be used, in whole or in part, either during the Liturgy or at other times. It may also be used in place of an invitation to confession. It is customary that the Exhortation be said on the First Sunday in Advent, the First Sunday in Lent, and on Trinity Sunday.

Beloved in the Lord: Our Savior Christ, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood as a sign and pledge of his love, for the continual remembrance of the sacrifice of his death, and for a spiritual sharing in his risen life. For in these holy Mysteries we are made one with Christ, and Christ with us; we are made one body in him, and members one of another.

Having in mind, therefore, his great love for us, and in obedience to his command, his Church renders to Almighty God our heavenly Father never-ending thanks for the creation of the world, for his continual providence over us, for his love for all mankind, and for the redemption of the world by our Savior Christ, who took upon himself our flesh, and humbled himself even to death on the cross, that he might make us the children of God by the power of the Holy Spirit, and exalt us to everlasting life.

But if we are to share rightly in the celebration of those holy Mysteries, and be nourished by that spiritual Food, we must remember the dignity of that holy Sacrament. I therefore call upon you to consider how Saint Paul exhorts all persons to prepare themselves carefully before eating of that Bread and drinking of that Cup.

For, as the benefit is great, if with penitent hearts and living faith we receive the holy Sacrament, so is the danger great, if we receive it improperly, not recognizing the Lord's Body.

Judge yourselves, therefore, lest you be judged by the Lord. Examine your lives and conduct by the rule of God's commandments, that you may perceive wherein you have offended in what you have done or left undone, whether in thought, word, or deed; and acknowledge your sins before Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life, being ready to make restitution for all injuries and wrongs done by you to others; and also being ready to forgive those who have offended you, in order that you yourselves may be forgiven. And then, being reconciled with one another, come to the banquet of that most heavenly Food.

And if, in your preparation, you need help and counsel, then go and open your grief to a discreet and understanding priest, and confess your sins, that you may receive the benefit of absolution, and spiritual counsel and advice; to the removal of scruple and doubt, the assurance of pardon, and the strengthening of your faith.

To Christ our Lord who loves us, and washed us in his own blood, and made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father, to him be glory in the Church evermore. Through him let us offer continually the sacrifice of praise, which is our bounden duty and service, and, with faith in him, come boldly before the throne of grace (and humbly confess our sins to Almighty God).

The Decalogue

God spake these words, and said:
I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of
Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none
other gods but me.

After each commandment, the people respond

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the
likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth
beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow
down to them, nor worship them.

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

Honor thy father and thy mother.

Thou shalt do no murder.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

Thou shalt not covet.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

A Penitential Order

The following may be used at the beginning of the Liturgy, if desired.

A hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.

The people standing, the Celebrant says

**☩ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
 Amen.**

In place of the above, from Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost

**Celebrant ☩ Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

In Lent and on other penitential occasions

**Celebrant ☩ Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins;
People His mercy endureth for ever.**

The Decalogue, page 244, may be said, the people kneeling.

The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

Seeing that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14, 16*

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, [*and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort*] and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

or this

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and
wickedness,**

which we from time to time most grievously have
committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

or this

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against thee
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved thee with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

or this

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our
own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to
have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to
have done [*and there is no health in us*].
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us
[*miserable offenders*],
spare thou those [*O God*] who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you ✠ absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

A deacon or lay person using the preceding form substitutes "us" for "you" and "our" for "your."

When this Order is used at the beginning of the Liturgy, the service continues with the Kyrie eleison.

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The Word of God

A hymn, Psalm, or anthem may be sung.

The people standing, the Celebrant may say

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The Celebrant says

**The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Let us pray.**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the Ten Commandments (page 244) may be said, or the following

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:
Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Here is sung or said

Lord, have mercy upon us.		Kyrie eleison.
Christ, have mercy upon us.	<i>or</i>	Christe eleison.
Lord, have mercy upon us.		Kyrie eleison.

in threefold or ninefold form, or this

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

When appointed, the following hymn is sung or said, in addition to, or in place of, the preceding, all standing.

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
✠ art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

 The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

People **Amen.**

The Lessons

The people sit. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading (Lesson) from _____.

*A citation giving chapter and verse may be added.
After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

or the Reader may say Here endeth the Reading (Epistle).

Silence may follow.

A Psalm, hymn, or anthem may follow each Reading.

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel,
first saying*

The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

**The ✠ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to _____.**
People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing

The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost
of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father (and the Son);
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.**

**And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
✠ and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Intercession is offered according to the following form, or in one of the forms beginning on page 289.

The Deacon or other person appointed says

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

After each paragraph of this prayer, the People may make an appropriate response, as directed.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [especially _____], that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [especially _____], that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [_____ and] all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless ☩ thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially _____], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [the Blessed Virgin Mary, _____ and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

A Confession of Sin is said here if it has not been said earlier. On occasion, the confession may be omitted.

The Deacon or Celebrant says the following, or else the Exhortation on page 242.

Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, [*and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort,*] and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

or this

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Minister and People

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For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in thy will,
and walk in thy ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy
hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty
repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you,
✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and
strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting
life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear what comfortable words our Savior Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

Hear also what St. Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Timothy 1:15

Hear also what St. John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins (and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world).

I John 2:1-2

The Peace traditionally occurs following the Fraction; or, if desired, it may be said here. All stand, the Celebrant saying to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

The Celebrant may begin the Offertory with one of the sentences on page 303, or with some other sentence of Scripture.

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

During the Offertory, a hymn, Psalm, or anthem may be sung.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money or other gifts, to the deacon or celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

The Celebrant may then face the people and say

Pray, brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Alternate forms will be found beginning on page 269.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

People The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed. The Prefaces are found on pages 282-288.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

✠ **Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; 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 oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be X filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

In Lent, Alleluia is omitted, and may be omitted at other times except during Easter Season.

or the following if it has not been said earlier

**The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And with thy spirit.**

The following, or some other suitable anthem, may be sung or said here

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.**

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

**The Gifts of God for the People of God
and may add** Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

or the following

- ✠ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.**

Celebrant and People

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

or with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

During the ministration of Communion, hymns, Psalms, or anthems may be sung.

After Communion the Celebrant says

People The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying one of the following prayers, or a proper post-communion prayer may be said

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thine everlasting kingdom by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

or in this form

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thine everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk

in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

or this

The blessing of God Almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

People Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

or the following

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

or this

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

or this

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

From the Easter Vigil through the Day of Pentecost "Alleluia, alleluia" may be added to any of the dismissals and responses.

In some places it is customary to read the Last Gospel here. After the introduction, the people respond "Glory be to thee, O Lord." At the conclusion, the people respond "Thanks be to God."

Alternative Forms of the Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

 The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he 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."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious

death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be ✠ filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant **Lift up your hearts.**
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant **Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.**
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

✠ **Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In thine infinite love thou didst make us for thyself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, thou didst mercifully send Jesus Christ, thine only-begotten and eternal Son, to share our humanity, to live and die as one of us, and to reconcile us unto thee, who art the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and there made an offering of himself in obedience to thy will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night in which he was betrayed unto suffering and death, our Lord Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks unto thee, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat: This is my body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this: For this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and people

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his blessed death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, we offer unto thee these gifts.

Sanctify them, we beseech thee, by thy Holy Spirit, that they may be for thy people the Body and Blood of thy Son, Jesus Christ, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Do thou likewise ✠ sanctify us thy servants, that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament and serve thee in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with (the blessed and glorious Virgin Mary, Blessed *N.*, and) all thy saints into the joy of thine eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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Eucharistic Prayer B

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

People The Lord be with you.
Celebrant **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

Then, facing the Altar, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying,

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

✠ **Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we give thanks unto thee for the goodness and love which thou hast revealed unto us in creation; in the calling of Israel as thine own people; in thy Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, thy Son Jesus Christ. For in the fulness of time thou didst send him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, thou hast delivered us from evil and made us worthy to stand before thee. In him, thou hast brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks unto thee, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying, "Drink ye all of this: For this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And according to his command, O Father, we offer unto thee this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, presenting unto thee from thy creation, O Lord of all, this bread and this cup.

We beseech thee, gracious Father, to send thy Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the New Covenant. Unite us to thy Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being ✠ sanctified by the Holy Spirit. At the last day, put all things in subjection under thy Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with (the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed N., and) all thy saints, we may enter into the everlasting heritage of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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Eucharistic Prayer D

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

People The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People **It is meet and right so to do.**

The Celebrant continues

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, to glorify thee, O Father, and to give thanks unto thee, for thou alone art God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before all time and for ever.

Fountain of life and Source of all goodness, thou hast made all things and didst fill them with thy blessing, creating them to rejoice in the splendor of thy radiance.

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

Celebrant and People

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

✠ **Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The People kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim thee, holy Lord, glorious in power, whose mighty works reveal thy wisdom and love. Thou hast formed us in thine own image, giving the whole world into our care, that in obedience unto thee, our Maker, we might rule and serve all thy creatures. When our disobedience took us far from thee, thou didst not abandon us to the power of death, but in thy mercy thou didst come to our help, that in seeking thee we might find thee. Again and again thou didst call us into covenant with thee, and through the prophets thou didst teach us to hope for salvation.

Thou didst so love the world, O Father, that in the fullness of time thou didst send thine only-begotten 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. That thy purpose might be fulfilled, he gave himself up unto death; and rising from the grave he destroyed death and made the whole creation new.

And that we might live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, bringing to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and upon any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by thee, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: At supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks unto thee, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this: For this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, for the remembrance of me."

And now, O Father, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to thy right hand, awaiting his coming in glory, and offering unto thee, from the gifts which thou hast given us, this bread and this cup, we praise thee and we bless thee.

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

We beseech thee, O Lord, that in thy goodness and mercy thy Holy Spirit may descend upon us and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and revealing them as holy gifts for thy holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 thy Name.

Remember, O Lord, thy one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the Blood of thy Christ. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

[Remember *N.*, our chief Bishop; *N. (and N.)*, our Bishop(s); the reverend clergy of this parish; (*N. and N.*), and all who minister in thy Church.]

[Remember all thy people and those who seek thy truth.]

[Remember _____.]

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

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, (with *N.*) and with all the saints who have found favor with thee in ages past. We praise thee in union with them and give thee glory through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ all honor and glory be unto thee, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, world without end. Amen.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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Proper Prefaces

Preface of the Lord's Day

To be used on Sundays as appointed, but not on the succeeding weekdays

1. Of God the Father

Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

or the following

2. 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.

or this

3. Of God the Holy Spirit

Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

Prefaces for Seasons

To be used on Sundays and weekdays alike, except as otherwise appointed for Holy Days and Various Occasions

Advent

Because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him 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 behold his appearing.

Incarnation

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ, thine only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, was made very Man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become thy children.

Epiphany

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

Lent

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

or this

Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

Holy Week

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

Easter

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

Ascension

Through thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his glorious resurrection manifestly 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.

Pentecost

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose true promise the Holy Ghost came down [on this day] from heaven,

lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to thy Church the power to serve thee as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Prefaces for Other Occasions

Trinity Sunday

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Saints

Who, in the multitude of thy saints, hast compassed us about with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us; and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

A Saint

For the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all thy saints, who have been the chosen vessels of thy grace, and the lights of the world in their generations.

or this

Who in the obedience of thy saints hast given us an example of righteousness, and in their eternal joy a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling.

or this

Because thou art greatly glorified in the assembly of thy saints. All thy creatures praise thee, and thy faithful servants bless thee, confessing before the rulers of this world the great Name of thine only Son.

Apostles and Ordinations

Through the great shepherd of thy 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 unto the end of the ages.

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 thee a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in thy sight.

Baptism

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

Marriage

Because in the love of wife and husband, thou hast given us an image of the heavenly Jerusalem, adorned as a bride for her bridegroom, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who loveth her and gave himself for her, that he might make the whole creation new.

Commemoration of the Dead

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

The following Prefaces may be used, if desired.

Of Christ the King

Because thou hast anointed thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ our Lord with the oil of gladness, to be a Priest for ever, and to be King over all mankind; that when he had rendered himself a spotless sacrifice of peace upon the Altar of the Cross, he might fulfill the mystery of our redemption; and having brought all creatures under his governance, might present unto thine infinite Majesty, a kingdom universal and everlasting; a kingdom of truth and life; a kingdom of sanctity and grace; a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.

Of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

And that *on the Festival of Joseph* the blessed, we should praise, bless, and tell forth thy wonders; who being a righteous man was espoused to the Virgin Mother of God by thine appointment; a faithful and wise servant, made ruler of thy household; that in the office of a father he should guard thine only-begotten Son, conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

Of the Blessed Virgin Mary

And that *on the Festival of Blessed Mary Ever-Virgin*, we should praise, bless, and tell forth thy wonders; in that by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, she conceived thine only-begotten Son, and without loss to the glory of her abiding maidenhood, brought forth for man the light eternal, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

Of the Cross

Because, on the wood of the Cross, thou gavest mankind salvation; that so, whence death arose, life might also rise again: and that the foe, who by a tree had conquered, by this Tree might be overcome, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Of the Dedication

Who as the giver of all good things dwellest in this House of Prayer reared by human hands, and by the unceasing operation of thy grace dost sanctify the Church which thou thyself has founded. And verily thy Church is the true House of Prayer, of which these visible buildings are but the figures. It is the Temple of the habitation of thy glory, the Throne of unchanging truth, the Holy Place wherein everlasting love abideth. It is the Ark which bringeth us, who are delivered from the deluge of the world, into the haven of salvation. It is the beloved and only Bride which Christ hath purchased with his Blood and quickened by his Spirit; in whose bosom we, who have been regenerated by thy grace, are fed with the milk of the Word, are strengthened with the Bread of Life, and are comforted by the help of thy mercy. This is that Bride that on earth, being holpen by the Bridegroom, fighteth the good fight of faith, and being crowned by him in heaven, singeth the songs of triumphant joy.

Prayers of the People

The following forms may be used in place of the Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church and the World, if desired.

Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For this city [town, village, _____], for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For reasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air (or through outer space), let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For _____, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have ✠ died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.
Lord, have mercy.

In the communion [of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, the holy patriarchs, prophets, apostles and martyrs, and] of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord, our God.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Form II

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I bid your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s) _____; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I bid your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I bid your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I bid your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I bid your prayers for the ✠ departed [especially _____].
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

I bid your prayers for _____.
I bid your thanksgivings for _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored [especially the Blessed Virgin Mary, and Blessed _____ whom we remember this day].
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Form III

Father, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly
serve thee;
That thy Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
**That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of
the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in thy sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief
or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the ☩ departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise thee for [the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed
_____, and] all thy saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence

The Celebrant concludes with a Collect.

Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess thy Name may be united in thy truth, live together in thy love, and reveal thy glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in thy mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another, and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in thy mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as thine own creation, that we may use its resources rightly, in the service of others and to thine honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in thy mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in thy mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of thy salvation.

Silence

Lord, in thy mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to thy mercy ☩ all who have died, that thy will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share [with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed _____, and] with all thy saints in thine eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in thy mercy
Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Form V

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy" (or "Kyrie eleison").

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of thy coming, we pray to thee, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the people respond

Lord, have mercy. or Kyrie eleison.

For *N.* our Chief Bishop, for *N. (N.)* our own Bishop(s), for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For all who fear God and believe in thee, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as thou and the Father are one, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness she may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For those in positions of public trust [especially _____], that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For a blessing upon human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For this congregation (for those who are present, and for those who are absent), that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth thy glory in all that we do, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For _____, we pray to thee, O Lord.

For all who have ✠ died in the communion of thy Church, and those whose faith is known to thee alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to thee, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of [the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, (Blessed N.) and] all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **To thee, O Lord our God.**

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect, or this doxology:

For thine is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Form VI

The Leader and people pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to thee, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of thy creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For [N. our Chief Bishop, and N. (N.) our Bishop(s); and for] all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions.

Hear us, O Lord;
For thy mercy is great.

We thank thee, O Lord, for all the blessings of this life
[especially for the faithful witness of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
(of Blessed _____, whom we remember this day,) and of
all thy saints].

Silence

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt thee, O God our King;
And praise thy Name for ever and ever.

We pray for ✠ all who have died, that they may have a place in
thine eternal kingdom.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Lord, let thy loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in thee.

We pray to thee also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and people

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
(for we have sinned most grievously against thee;)
in thy compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,

**things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by thy Spirit
that we may live and serve thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or, if the Confession has not been said, with a suitable Collect.

Prayer for the Whole State of Christ's Church

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [*alms and*] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless ✠ thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Collect at the Prayers

For the concluding Collect, the Celebrant selects

(a) a Collect appropriate to the season or occasion being celebrated; (b) a Collect expressive of some special need in the life of the local congregation; (c) a Collect for the mission of the Church; (d) a general Collect such as the following:

Heavenly Father, thou hast promised to hear what we ask in the Name of thy Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray thee, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as thou knowest and lovest us in thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only that which is in accordance with thy will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness we cannot ask, grant us for the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of thy people, and strengthen us to do thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of thy people; in the multitude of thy mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to thee for help; for thou art gracious, O lover of souls, and to thee we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, who saidst unto thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: Regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Church; and grant to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Ghost thou livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Almighty God, who by thy Holy Spirit hast made us one with thy saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by so great a witness to thy power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who liveth and reigneth for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Offertory Sentences

One of the following, or some other appropriate sentence of Scripture, may be used

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto 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*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. *Romans 12:1*

If thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there remember that thy brother hath aught against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. *Matthew 5:23,24*

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But to do good and to distribute, forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. *Hebrews 13:15,16*

Thine, O Lord is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty. For all that is in the heaven and the earth is thine. Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all. *I Chronicles 29:11*

An Order for the Communion of the Sick from the Reserved Sacrament

All kneel, except the sick person, as the minister enters the room with the Blessed Sacrament:

Minister Peace be to this house and to all who dwell in it.

The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy Spirit.**

Minister Let us pray: Graciously hear us, O Lord, Holy Father Almighty, Everlasting God; and may it please thee to send thy Holy Angel from heaven, to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this habitation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If desired, the minister may read an appropriate passage of Scripture and comment on it briefly.

If the sick person desires to make a sacramental confession, it shall be done in private and the following confession and absolution shall be omitted. In extreme circumstances, the Confession and Absolution may be omitted.

Minister Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and People

**Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker of all things, judge of all men:**

We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins
and wickedness,
which we from time to time most grievously have
committed,
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,
the burden of them is intolerable.
Have mercy upon us,
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The minister, if a priest, now pronounces absolution. If the minister is a deacon or layman, he now gives a declaration of forgiveness, substituting "us" and "our" for "you" and "your".

Minister

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Him: Have mercy upon *you*; ✠ pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins; confirm and strengthen *you* in all goodness; and bring *you* to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Minister Let us pray: And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

Minister and People

**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.**

Then follows

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
grant us thy peace.**

The following prayer may be said.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

The minister shall administer the Blessed Sacrament, first saying the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God
and may add Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

or the following

✠ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

The Blessed Sacrament is then administered in one or both kinds, the minister saying

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

Priest The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thine everlasting kingdom by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Priest gives the blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

A deacon or layman says

The ☩ grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.