

THE ORDER OF MASS

NEW ENGLISH TRANSLATION

Corpus Christi Headington

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Before Mass begins, the people gather in a spirit of recollection, and say together the Prayer at the beginning of Mass.

P: God our Father, you call us to gather for this (Sunday) Mass. Help us to draw strength from the Holy Scriptures and from the Holy Eucharist, so that we deepen our love for you.

May we be enlivened by the Holy Spirit to mirror the words and actions of your Son, Jesus Christ, and become more clearly your instruments of mercy to others.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SIGN OF THE CROSS

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

GREETING

One of the following is used:

1.C. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Or:**

2.C. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Or:**

3. C. The Lord be with you.

P. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

The Priest invites the faithful to the Penitential Act. A brief silence is followed by one of the following:

1. All say:

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have
failed to do,

(and, striking their breast, they say:)

through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

2. C. Have mercy on us, O Lord.

P. For we have sinned against you.

C. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

P. And grant us your salvation.

3. C. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:
Lord, have mercy. (Kyrie, eleison.)

P. Lord, have mercy. (Kyrie, eleison.)

C. You came to call sinners:

Christ, have mercy. (Christe, eleison.)

P. Christ, have mercy. (Christe, eleison.)

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

Lord, have mercy. (Kyrie, eleison.)

P. Lord, have mercy. (Kyrie, eleison.)

The absolution by the Priest follows:

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

P. Amen.

The Kyrie, eleison (Lord, have mercy) invocations may follow:

C. Lord, have mercy. **Or:** Kyrie, eleison.

P. Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.

C. Christ, have mercy. **Or:** Christe, eleison.

P. Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.

C. Lord, have mercy. **Or:** Kyrie, eleison.

P. Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.

THE GLORIA

When indicated, either sung or said:

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father.
Amen

THE COLLECT

C. Let us pray.
All pray in silence with the Priest who says the
Collect prayer, at the end of which:
P. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit. By hearing the word proclaimed in
worship, the faithful again enter into the
unending dialogue with God. A brief time of
quiet after the readings enables those present to
take the word of God to heart.

FIRST READING

To indicate the end of these readings, the reader
acclaims:

The word of the Lord.

P. Thanks be to God.

PSALM

The psalmist or cantor sings or says the Psalm;
the people make the response.

SECOND READING

On Sundays and certain other days there is a
second reading.

The word of the Lord.

P. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

All stand to sing the Acclamation welcoming the
Gospel.

C. The Lord be with you.

P. And with your spirit.

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

P. Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

C. The Gospel of the Lord.

P. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel all sit.

THE HOMILY

After the Homily all stand.

NICENO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, **(all bow)**
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of
the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins and I look forward to the resurrection
of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, **(all bow)** who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL (BIDDING PRAYERS)

After each intention there is a pause while the faithful pray. The Priest concludes the Prayer with a collect. All sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

During the Offertory Song the faithful bring forward bread and wine for the celebration of the Eucharist. The Priest offers prayers of blessing:

C. Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

P. Blessed be God for ever.

C. Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

P. Blessed be God for ever.

The Priest completes additional personal preparatory rites; all stand:

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

P. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Then the Priest says the Prayer over the Offerings, at the end of which:

P. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

C. The Lord be with you.

P. And with your spirit.

C. Lift up your hearts.

P. We lift them up to the Lord.

C. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P. It is right and just.

After the Preface, the people sing or say:

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 kneel.

The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. After the words of Consecration:

C. The mystery of faith.

1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again. **Or:**

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

3. Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

At the conclusion of the prayer:

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

P. Amen.

THE COMMUNION RITE

All stand and the Priest says:

C. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

P. 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.

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

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

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

P. Amen

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

P. And with your spirit.

All offer one another the customary sign of peace.

C. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

During which is sung or said:

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

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

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

All Kneel

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

C. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins the of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

P. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communicants come forward in reverent procession; they receive Holy Communion standing.

C. The Body of Christ.

P. Amen.

When Communion is ministered under both kinds:

C. The Blood of Christ.

P. Amen.

After Communion, the Priest says:

C. Let us pray.

All stand and pray in silence. The Priest says the Prayer after Communion, at the end of which:

P. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Any brief announcements follow here. Then the dismissal.

C. The Lord be with you.

P. And with your spirit.

C. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

P. Amen

Then the Deacon or the Priest says:

1. Go forth, the Mass is ended. Or:
2. Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord. Or:
3. Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. Or:
4. Go in peace.

P. Thanks be to God.