

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn

Stand
Cf. Ps 32:5-6

**The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were
made, alleluia.**

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says:

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

The Priest greets everyone present.

*The people respond: **And with your spirit.***

The Mass of the day may be introduced.

Penitential Act

*The Priest invites the people to repentance using
one of the Penitential Acts.*

Lord Jesus, you were lifted up to draw all
people to yourself:

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

You shouldered the cross, to bear our suffering
and sinfulness:

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

You open for your people the way from death
into life:

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

*The Priest says the absolution. All reply: **Amen.***

Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water

(May be used in place of the Penitential Act)

The Priest says:

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters),
let us humbly beseech the Lord our God
to bless this water he has created,
which will be sprinkled on us
as a memorial of our Baptism.
May he help us by his grace

to remain faithful to the Spirit we have received.

After a brief pause, the Priest continues:

Lord our God,
in your mercy be present to your people's prayers,
and, for us who recall the wondrous work of our
creation
and the still greater work of our redemption,
graciously bless this water.

For you created water to make the fields fruitful
and to refresh and cleanse our bodies.

You also made water the instrument of your mercy:
for through water you freed your people from slavery
and quenched their thirst in the desert;
through water the Prophets proclaimed the new
covenant

you were to enter upon with the human race;
and last of all,
through water, which Christ made holy in the Jordan,
you have renewed our corrupted nature
in the bath of regeneration.

Therefore, may this water be for us
a memorial of the Baptism we have received,
and grant that we may share
in the gladness of our brothers and sisters
who at Easter have received their Baptism.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*As the Priest sprinkles all present an
appropriate chant is sung, such as:*

Cf. Dan 3:77, 79

**You springs and all that moves in the waters,
sing a hymn to God, alleluia.**

When the singing is over, the Priest says:
May almighty God cleanse us of our sins,

and through the celebration of this Eucharist
make us worthy to share at the table of his
Kingdom. **Amen.**

Gloria

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

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

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

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**

Amen.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,
so that the humble flock may reach
where the brave Shepherd has gone before.
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 13:14, 43b-52

In those days: Paul and Barnabas went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia. And on the Sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down. Many Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who, as they spoke with them, urged them to continue in the grace of God.

The next Sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and began to contradict what was spoken by Paul, reviling him. And Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saying, 'It was necessary that the word of God be spoken first to you. Since you thrust it aside and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."'

And when the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord, and as many as were appointed to eternal life believed. And the word of the Lord was spreading throughout the whole region. But the Jews incited the devout women of high standing and the leading men of the city, stirred up persecution against Saint Paul and Barnabas, and drove them out of their district. But they shook off the dust from their feet against them and went to Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 100(99):1-2. 3. 5. R.3c

R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

or:

Alleluia.

Cry out with joy to the LORD, all the earth.

Serve the LORD with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy.

R.

Know that he, the LORD, is God.

He made us; we belong to him.

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

R.

Indeed, how good is the LORD,

eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age.

R.

Second Reading

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

Revelation 7:9, 13a, 14b-17

I, John, looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands.

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Acclamation before the Gospel

Stand

Alleluia, alleluia.

John 10:14

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord.

I know my sheep and my own know me.

Alleluia.

Gospel

John 10:27-30

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus said, 'My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily

Sit

The Nicene Creed

Stand

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
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

All bow

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 Prayer of the Faithful

Response example: Lord, in your mercy.
Hear our prayer.

After the concluding prayer all say: Amen.

Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The offerings are brought to the altar.

A hymn may be sung.

*If the Priest says the two prayers of offering
aloud, the response both times is:*

Blessed be God for ever.

The people rise as the Priest says:

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

The people reply:

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

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, we pray, O Lord,
that we may always find delight in these
paschal mysteries,
so that the renewal constantly at work within us
may be the cause of our unending joy.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer II

{The Priest may use a different Eucharistic Prayer.}

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

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

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

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

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

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

he took the chalice

and, once more giving thanks,

he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,

FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,

THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,

WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY

FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

Do THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.

The people continue, acclaiming:

Save us, Saviour of the world,

for by your Cross and Resurrection

you have set us free.

Therefore, as we celebrate

the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,

we offer you, Lord,

the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,

giving thanks that you have held us worthy

to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray

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

Remember, Lord, your Church,

spread throughout the world,

and bring her to the fullness of charity,

together with **N.** our Pope and **N.** our Bishop

and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters

who have fallen asleep

in the hope of the resurrection,

and all who have died in your mercy:

welcome them into the light of your face . Have mercy on us all, we pray,
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,
with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles,
and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages,
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

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.

The people acclaim: **Amen.**

The Communion Rite

Stand

The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

The Priest continues alone:

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

For the kingdom,

the power and the glory are yours

now and for ever.

The Priest says:

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

The Deacon, or the Priest, adds:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The Priest takes the host and breaks it.

Meanwhile the people say or sing:

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

Kneel

The Priest shows the host to the people and says:

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

of the Lamb.

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

The Priest or other minister says to each communicant

The Body [Blood] of Christ.

Each communicant answers: Amen.

Communion Antiphon

**The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.**

*After the distribution of Holy Communion a
sacred silence may be observed or a psalm,
hymn or canticle of praise may be sung.0*

Prayer after Communion •

Stand

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd,
and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures
the sheep you have redeemed
by the Precious Blood of your Son.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements may be made.

Blessing and Dismissal

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

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

Amen.

Then the Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Or:

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

Or:

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

Or:

Go in peace.

Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.