Breaking of the Bread

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.

The priest invites us to share in the eucharistic banquet with these words:

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

The priest or other minister says to each commu-

nicant:
The Body (Blood) of Chris

The Body (Blood) of Christ **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION All stand The priest says the Prayer after Communion to which all respond.

Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

If there are any brief announcements they are made at this time.

Greeting and Blessing

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The blessing is given in the following simple form or using one particular to the feast or season.

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

DISMISSAL

The priest sends everyone forth to love and serve the Lord, all respond

Thanks be to God.

Sharing in Holy Communion

In the celebration of the Eucharist Catholics celebrate and participate in a living sign of unity. This unity is unity with Christ, and it is unity with the Catholic Church. What is most easily seen is the unity of those present gathered at a particular time and place, but the still deeper reality made present in the sacramental celebration is their union with the whole of the local Church, united under the Bishop, and the Church universal, united in communion with the Pope.

To our fellow Christians: Because of the nature of the Communion we celebrate at Mass, we are not free ordinarily to invite members of non-Catholic churches and ecclesial bodies not in communion with the Pope to join us in Holy Communion. Sharing in the Eucharist in exceptional circumstances by non-Catholics requires permission of the diocesan bishop and in accordance with the provisions of canon law, (canon 844 no 3, 4). Please pray with us for the healing of division within the Church, the Body of Christ.

To all who are not Christians: We welcome you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and rejoice to recognize you as members of the family of God, made in the image and likeness of God. We cannot invite you to join us in receiving Holy Communion, but we ask you to pray with us for the peace and unity of the whole human family and for a deeper understanding between those of different faiths.

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ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE PROCESSION All stand
The celebrant and ministers go to the altar, while

the Entrance Antiphon or Song is sung.

Greeting

All make the sign of the cross as the celebrant says:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son.

+ and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Priest extends his hands and greets the people:

And also with you

The celebrant may briefly introduce the Mass

PENITENTIAL RITE

Invitation

The celebrant invites the people to call their sins to mind, and to repent of them. A pause for silent reflection follows.

After the silence, one of the following three forms of the penitential rite is chosen:

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault

(All strike their breast)

in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and 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.

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

Amen.

or

Lord, we have sinned against you:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, show us your mercy and love.

And grant us your salvation.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

or 3

With these or other sentences.

You were sent to heal the contrite:

Lord: have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

You came to call sinners:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You plead for us at the right hand of the Father:

Lord., have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen.

Kyrie

It is not said here if it has already been incorporated in the penitential rite.

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

Opening Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant and people pray silently for a while. Then the celebrant says the opening prayer.

At the end of the prayer, the people make it their own by responding:

Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD All sit

READING

At the end of the reading:

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Psalm is a reflection on the First Reading. The Cantor sings or recites the psalm, and the people respond.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All stand

The Gospel Book may be carried in procession to the lectern. All sing Alleluia or in Lent another acclamation to acknowledge Christ in his word,

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A reading from the holy gospel according to N.

Glory to you, Lord.

After the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit A period of silent reflection may follow the homily

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

After each Intention there is a pause for silent prayer after which all respond in these or similar words.

Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

All sit

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

A hymn may be sung

TAKING OF THE GIFTS

If the priest says the two prayers of blessing aloud the response each time is:

Blessed be God for ever.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

All stand The priest invites the people to join him in prayer:

Pray, brethren, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God,

the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at vour hands

for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

The priest says the Prayer over the Gifts to which all respond:

Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The whole congregation joins Christ in acknowledging the works of God, and in offering the sacrifice.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

At the end of the Preface all join in the following acclamation:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

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.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues. After the elevation of the chalice, the Celebrant sings or says:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith: All respond with one of the following acclamations:

1. Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

- 2. Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.
- 3. When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.
- 4. Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

DOXOLOGY AND GREAT AMEN The Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer with:

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

COMMUNION RITE

All stand

The priest invites all the people 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,

The priest continues alone

but deliver us from evil.

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. For the kingdom, the power, and he glory are yours, now and forever.

The priest says:

Lord Jesus Christ,

you said to your apostles:

I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of vour Church.

and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom

where you live for ever and ever.

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you

The priest may add these or similar words: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All then make an appropriate sign of peace.