

THE ORDER OF MASS

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

STAND

ENTRANCE CHANT, HYMN, Antiphon

Sundays we usually sing and Cantor will tell which book and song.

GREETING

IN the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The people reply: **Amen.**

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

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

PENITENTIAL ACT

(sometimes not said and just the Kyrie is said; sometimes both are said)

Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

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;

continue:

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.

The people reply: **Amen.**

Kyrie (usually said on Sundays as part of the Penitential Act; sometimes just the penitential act is said; sometimes both)

Basically, one or the other or both are said.

YOU WERE SENT TO HEAL THE CONTRITE OF HEART:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

YOU CAME TO CALL SINNERS:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

YOU ARE SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER TO INTERCEDE FOR US:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

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

The people reply:

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

Priest says the Collect Prayer (**LISTEN**)

People acclaim: **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

SIT

FIRST READING

Then the **reader** goes to the ambo and reads the **First Reading**, while all sit and **LISTEN**. At end when he says: **The word of the Lord.**

All reply: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The **psalmist** or cantor sings or says the Psalm, with the people making the response when indicated by the **psalmist** (listen to the first line the cantor says/sings; that is what we will repeat when indicated.)

SECOND READING

Then the **reader** goes to the ambo and reads the **Second Reading**, while all sit and **LISTEN**. At end when he says: **The word of the Lord.**

All reply: **Thanks be to God.**

STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(**Cantor will sing first time, then indicate for us to repeat**) People sing or say: **ALLELUIA** about 3 times.

The **cantor** sings a verse of the bible

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GOSPEL READING

The Priest proceeds to the ambo and says: **The Lord be with you.**

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

Priest says: **A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.** and, at the same time, he makes the Sign of the Cross on the book and on his forehead, lips, and breast.

When he does this, he sometimes says out loud for all of us to make the sign of the cross on our forehead, lips and breast and say: **“May the Word be on our mind, on our lips, and on our heart.”**

The people acclaim: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The Priest proclaims the Gospel Reading (**LISTEN**), at end he says: **The Gospel of the Lord.**

People reply: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SIT

LISTEN

HOMILY

STAND (to say the Nicene Creed)

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,

At the words that follow, up to and including and “became man”, **all bow.**

“and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.”

Stand after saying
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.**

UNIVERSAL

PRAYER/PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Person at the ambo prays the intentions (Universal Prayer), after each intention he says: **We Pray to the Lord** and people respond: Lord, Hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

SIT

PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS (AT ALTAR)

Sometimes the Priest says this out loud:

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.

The People **May Acclaim: Blessed be God for ever.**

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.

The people **may acclaim: Blessed be God for ever.**

STAND

INVITATION TO PRAYER

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

The people **rise and 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

Then the **Priest, with hands extended, says the Prayer over the Offerings, at the end of which the people acclaim: Amen.**

STAND

PREFACE DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

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

Lift up your hearts.

The people: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

The people: **It is right and just.**

The Priest, with hands extended, continues with the preface. **LISTEN**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation . . . acclaim:

ACCLAMATION

At the end of the Preface he joins his hands and concludes the Preface with the people, *singing or saying aloud*: **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.**

KNEEL

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II –

(Common one to use)

LISTEN

The Priest, with hands extended, says:

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

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 . . .

He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration.

Then he says: The mystery of faith.

And the people say, one of the following:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Or:

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

Or:

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

LISTEN

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death . . .

He takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, raising both, he says:

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

The people acclaim: **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

STAND

After the chalice and paten have been set down, the Priest, with hands joined, says:

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

Joining hands, the Priest, together with the people say:

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. (Our hands are still joined)

With hands extended, the Priest alone continues, saying:

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 Savior, Jesus Christ.

The people conclude the prayer, acclaiming:

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says aloud:

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.

He joins his hands saying:

Who live and reign for ever and ever.

The people reply:

Amen.

The Priest extends and joins his hands, says:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

The people reply:

And with your spirit.

The Priest adds:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

People offer another the sign of peace (look in their eyes and shake hands saying:

Peace be with you. (Some prefer not to shake and just say Peace be with you.)

While the Priest is preparing the Host, the following is sung or said by the people:

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 genuflects, and says aloud:

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.

Still kneeling the people say (in prayerful stance):

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

PEOPLE RISE TO GO UP AND RECEIVE THE EUCHARIST

The Priest says:

The Body of Christ.

The communicant (Person) replies:

Amen.

When all have received, the Priest says:

Let us pray.

The people acclaim:

Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

STAND

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

The Lord be with you.

The people reply:

And with your spirit.

The Priest blesses the people, saying:

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

The people reply:

Amen.

Then the Priest, with hands joined and facing the people, 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.

The people reply:

Thanks be to God.

Then the Priest venerates the altar as usual with a kiss, as at the beginning. After making a profound bow with the ministers, he withdraws.

This document is a shortened version of what is contained in this book: "Socias, James. Handbook of Prayers, Midwest Theological Forum, Kindle Edition."

*Note: **Black** is what **we/you** say and do; **Blue** is what the **Priest says**; **Green** is what the lector/reader/Psalmist says; **Red** is instructions/information.