

**The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right and just.**

*The priest gives praise to God and all acclaim:*  
**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.**

*After the Consecration we acclaim the*  
*mystery of faith:*  
**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, Saviour of the world,**  
**for by your Cross and Resurrection**  
**you have set us free.**

*At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer:*  
**Amen.**

**The Communion Rite**

**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.**

Deliver us...  
**For the kingdom,**  
**the power and the glory are yours**  
**now and for ever.**

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

**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.**

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

**Communion Antiphon**  
**The rich suffer want and go hungry,**  
**but those who seek the Lord lack no**  
 **blessing.**

*or*

**When the Lord appears, we shall be like**  
**him,**  
**for we shall see him as he is.**

**Prayer after Communion**  
 We entreat your majesty most humbly,  
 O Lord,  
 that, as you feed us with the nourishment  
 which comes from the most holy Body and  
 Blood of your Son,  
 so you may make us sharers of his divine  
 nature... **Amen.**

**THE CONCLUDING RITES**

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

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

*At the end of Mass the people respond:*  
**Thanks be to God.**

**THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**Entrance Antiphon**  
**If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,**  
**Lord, who could stand?**  
**But with you is found forgiveness,**  
**O God of Israel.**

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the priest*  
*says:*

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

**People** Amen.

*The priest greets the people in one of*  
*these ways:*

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

*or*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father  
 and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
**And with your spirit.**

*or*

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

**Penitential Act**  
*One of the following acts of penance is*  
*now made:*

**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,**

*(all strike their breast and 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.**

*or*

Have mercy on us, O Lord.  
**For we have sinned against you.**

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.  
**And grant us your salvation.**

*or*

Lord, have mercy. *or* Kyrie, eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Kyrie, eleison.**

Christ, have mercy. *or* Christe, eleison.  
**Christ, have mercy. Christe, eleison.**

Lord, have mercy. *or* Kyrie, eleison.  
**Lord, have mercy. Kyrie, eleison.**

*After the absolution all respond: Amen.*

**The 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.**

**The Collect**  
 May your grace, O Lord, we pray,  
 at all times go before us and follow after  
 and make us always determined  
 to carry out good works...  
**Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading Isaiah 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

*The Lord will prepare a banquet, and will wipe away tears from every cheek.*

On this mountain,  
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people  
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine  
wines,

of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.

On this mountain he will remove  
the mourning veil covering all peoples,  
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,  
he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away  
the tears from every cheek;  
he will take away his people's shame  
everywhere on earth,  
for the Lord has said so.

That day, it will be said: See, this is our God  
in whom we hoped for salvation;  
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice  
that he has saved us;  
for the hand of the Lord  
rests on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalms Psalm 22

**R. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever.**

1. The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**
2. He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your  
staff;  
with these you give me comfort. **R.**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall  
follow me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **R.**

**Second Reading** Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20  
A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
Philippians.

*There is nothing I cannot master with the  
help of the One who gives me strength.*

I know how to be poor and I know how to  
be rich too. I have been through my initiation  
and now I am ready for anything anywhere:  
full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or  
plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with  
the help of the One who gives me strength.  
All the same, it was good of you to share  
with me in my hardships. In return my God  
will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as  
lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our  
Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Word was made flesh and lived  
among us;**

**to all who did accept him  
he gave power to become children of  
God.**

**Alleluia!**

*or*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our mind,  
so that we can see what hope his call  
holds for us.**

**Alleluia!**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according  
to Matthew.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel** Matthew 22:1-14

*Invite everyone you can find to the wedding.  
(for shorter form read between > <)*

> Jesus said to the chief priests and elders  
of the people: "The kingdom of heaven  
may be compared to a king who gave

a feast for his son's wedding. He sent  
his servants to call those who had been  
invited, but they would not come. Next he  
sent some more servants. 'Tell those who  
have been invited,' he said, 'that I have  
my banquet all prepared, my oxen and  
fattened cattle have been slaughtered,  
everything is ready. Come to the wedding.'  
But they were not interested: one went off  
to his farm, another to his business, and the  
rest seized his servants, maltreated them  
and killed them. The king was furious. He  
despatched his troops, destroyed those  
murderers and burnt their town. Then he  
said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready;  
but as those who were invited proved to be  
unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town  
and invite everyone you can find to the  
wedding.' So these servants went out on to  
the roads and collected together everyone  
they could find, bad and good alike; and  
the wedding hall was filled with guests. <  
When the king came in to look at the guests  
he noticed one man who was not wearing  
a wedding garment, and said to him, 'How  
did you get in here, my friend, without a  
wedding garment?' And the man was silent.  
Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind  
him hand and foot and throw him out into  
the dark, where there will be weeping and  
grinding of teeth.' For many are called, but  
few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### The Homily

#### The Profession of Faith

**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 during the next three lines)*

**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 bidding prayers now follow:*

Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*If the prayers of blessing are said aloud the  
people acclaim each time:*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters)...  
**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

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful  
with the sacrificial offerings,  
that, through these acts of devotedness,  
we may pass over to the glory of heaven...  
**Amen.**