



# Order of Service



## We Gather

We all **stand** to sing an opening hymn.

We then make the sign of the cross on ourselves, as the Priest says:

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

**Amen.**

The Priest welcomes everyone to Mass,

The Lord be with you

**And with your spirit**



We say we are sorry to God and each other for the times we are not always good and kind .....

**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 your chest as you 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.**



The Priest then says: Lord have mercy.

**We say: Lord have mercy.**

Christ have mercy

**Christ have mercy.**

Lord have mercy

**Christ have mercy**



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We all join in by saying, the Gloria: The first verse was sung by the angels when Jesus was born:

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 Priest says a prayer for today and we say: **Amen**



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## We listen to God's word

We sit

### First Reading

God speaks to people through holy men and women. God tells the people to be kind because God is kind to everyone. Above all, God promised to send Jesus.

After the first reading the reader says,

**The word of the Lord**

**We reply: Thanks be to God**



### Responsorial Psalm

The psalm is a song to God. Sometimes the psalm praises God. Sometimes it asks God for help. Jesus learnt all the psalms when he was a boy, he loved to sing them. The reader will say the response before the psalm and we respond by repeating it.

### Second Reading

After Jesus returned to heaven his friends wrote letters about him. The letters remind us of how wonderful Jesus is. Sometimes they say we are the brothers and sisters of Jesus, so we can be like Jesus too.

### The Gospel

We all **stand** for the Gospel reading because it is very special.

**The Priest says: The Lord be with you.**

**We say: And with your spirit**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to ...**

**Glory + to you + Lord +. (Sign the cross on your forehead, lips and heart.)**

We listen carefully to the Gospel

After the Gospel the Priest says: **The Gospel of the Lord**

We say: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**





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## The Homily

We all **sit** while the Priest talks about the reading.

We must listen carefully and concentrate as the Priest tells us about how important the Gospel is in our lives today.

## Bidding Prayers

Jesus tells us that God always listens to our prayers and gives us what is good for us.

After each prayer,

**The reader says: Lord hear us**      or      **Lord in your mercy**  
**We say: Lord graciously hear us**      or      **Hear our prayer**

The last bidding prayer asks us to join our prayers with Mary, the mother of God by saying:

**Hail Mary, full of grace.**

**Our Lord is with thee.**

**Blessed art thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus.**

**Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners,  
now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.**





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## We prepare to receive Jesus

We **stand** when the gifts are brought to the altar  
The bread and wine are brought to the altar. These are our gifts. They will become Jesus' body and blood. The Priest will say the prayers of blessing,  
We will say: **Blessed be God for ever.**

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

We all **stand** up 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.**

Then the Priest extends his hands over the offerings and says a prayer; at the end

We say: **Amen**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

This is a very special prayer, in which the bread and wine become Jesus' body and blood. The Priest begins the Eucharistic Prayer extending his hands,

**He says: The Lord be with you.**

We reply: **And with your spirit.**

The Priest raises his hands, continues:

**Lift up your hearts**

We say: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

The Priest with hands extended adds:

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

We reply: **It is right and just.**





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**The Priest gives praise and thanks to God**

We say:

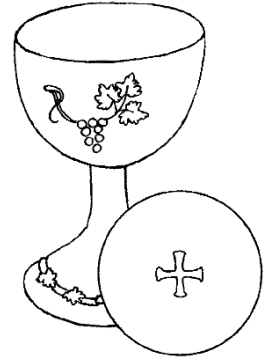
**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.**

**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**



**We all kneel**

The Priest is telling us what Jesus said and did at his last supper.

**He says "Take, eat, take, drink"**

When the bell rings we look up at the bread. It is now Jesus the bread of life.

Then we look up at the Chalice, which is now Jesus, The chalice of salvation

## **The Mystery of Faith**

We all say the acclamation

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your Death**

**O Lord until you come again.**

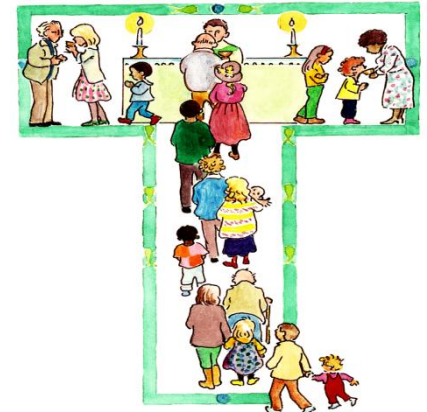
The Priest will then conclude the Eucharistic prayer by saying

**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.**

All say: **Amen.**



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## Communion Rite

### We all stand

The Priest with hands joined says:

**At the saviour's command and formed by divine teaching we dare to say:**

The Priest extends his hands and together we all join in the prayer that Jesus wants all his family to 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. Amen**

The Priest continues

**Lord Jesus Christ... Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.**

**Amen**

**The peace of the Lord be with you always**

**And with your spirit**

The Priest invites us to share a sign of peace

**Let us offer each other the sign of peace**

Because we are all one family, we give a loving sign of a handshake to one another.

The Priest will then break the consecrated Bread, while we say together:

**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.**







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## We all kneel

The Priest holds up the Bread of Life 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.**

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

## Holy Communion

We go to the altar to receive Jesus the food and drink of life, in Holy Communion. If we cannot receive communion yet, we can still go to the altar to receive God's Blessing.

**As we receive Holy Communion the Priest says:**

**The body of Christ**

We reply: **Amen**



We return to our seats and quietly say thank you to Jesus for giving himself to us in Holy Communion.

## We Go forth

Priest says: **The Lord be with you.**

We say: **And with your spirit**

**The Priest says:**

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

We make the sign of the cross and say: **Amen**

The Priest, or the Deacon, will then say:

**Go forth the Mass is ended**

We say: **Thanks be to God.**

