



The Eucharist

# **Preparation**

Before the service begins we take time to prepare ourselves in silent prayer. You may like to use the following prayer which has long been used in the Church as a prayer of preparation. On occasions it may be prayed aloud by the whole congregation.

# The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Gathering

Stand Entrance Hymn

The president says

Priest In the name of the Father,

and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

# The Greeting

The Lord be with you and also with you.

(or)

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

and also with you.

From Easter to Pentecost this acclamation follows

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

### Sit Prayers of Penitence

We are invited to confess our sins with a seasonal invitation or other suitable words to which we respond:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.

Amen.

or, with suitable penitential sentences, the Kyrie Eleison may be used

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The president says the absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### Stand Gloria in Excelsis

The Gloria in Excelsis may be said or sung (except in Advent and Lent when the Kyrie Eleison is used)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

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

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

Remain standing

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding.

The Collect is said, and all respond

Amen.

Remain Standing Hymn

# The Liturgy of the Word

### Sit

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# The First Reading

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A Responsorial Psalm may be said

# The Second Reading

At the end

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### Remain Standing

# **Gospel Reading**

An acclamation may herald the Gospel reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

### Sit Sermon

A period of silence or an anthem follows the sermon

### Stand The Creed

On Sundays and Principal Holy Days the Nicene Creed is used

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again 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.

We 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 worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

### Sit or Kneel

# **Prayers of Intercession**

During the prayers, these or other responses may be used Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

(or)

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

#### Stand

### The Peace

The president may introduce the Peace with a suitable sentence, and then says

The peace of the Lord be always with you and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

# The Preparation of the Gifts

# Remain standing

### Offertory Hymn

The Prayers at the Preparation of the Gifts may be said. The response to those which begin 'Blessed...' is

Blessed be God for ever.

Or this prayer may be used

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

The response to other prayers is

Amen

Remain Standing	The Eucharistic Prayer
All	The Lord be with you and also with you.
All	Lift up your hearts.  We lift them to the Lord.
All	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  It is right to give thanks and praise.
	The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond
All	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.
Sit or kneel	The president recalls the Last Supper, and one of these four acclamations is used

Great is the mystery of faith: Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again. Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

Dying you destroyed our death,

rising you restored our life:

Lord Jesus, come in glory

Christ is the bread of life:
When we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death,
Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.

Jesus Christ is Lord:
Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly

### Amen.

(or)

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer in suitable words

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.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

### **Breaking of the Bread**

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

or

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

The Agnus Dei may be used after the bread is broken

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

(or)

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

### **Giving of Communion**

The president says one of these invitations to communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table.

But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy.

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

(or)

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed 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.

(or)

God's holy gifts for God's holy people. Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

or, from Easter Day to Pentecost

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The president and people receive communion.

### Communion Hymn

# **Prayer after Communion**

Silence is kept

The Post Communion Prayer is said to which all respond

Amen.

All join in saying one of these prayers

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.

(or)

Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

### Final Hymn

# The Blessing and Dismissal

Stand The president uses an appropriate blessing to which all respond **Amen.** 

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

(or)

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** 

or, from Easter Day to Pentecost

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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