

And the people continue, acclaiming 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, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

*The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer saying alone:*

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.

*The people acclaim: Amen.*

### The Communion Rite

*Stand*

*The Priest invites all 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, but deliver us from evil.

*The Priest continues alone:*

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 Saviour, Jesus Christ. **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

*The Priest says:*

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. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And with your spirit.**

*The Deacon, or the Priest, adds:*

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*The Priest takes the host and breaks it.*

Meanwhile the people say or sing:

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 shows the host to the people 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.

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

*The Priest or other minister says to each communicant:*

The Body [Blood] of Christ.

*Each communicant answers: Amen.*

### Communion Antiphon

*Cf. Ps 97:3*

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

*After the distribution of Holy Communion a sacred silence may be observed or a psalm, hymn or canticle of praise may be sung.*

### Prayer after Communion

*Stand*

Grant, O merciful God, that, just as the Saviour of the world, born this day, is the author of divine generation for us, so he may be the giver even of immortality. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### THE CONCLUDING RITES

*Announcements may be made. Then:*

*Priest:* The Lord be with you.

*All:* **And with your spirit.**

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

*Then the Deacon, or the Priest, 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.

**Thanks be to God.**



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# THE EMMAUS MASS SHEET

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

25th December 2022

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

**Entrance Antiphon** or a hymn

*Stand*  
*Cf. Is 9:5*

**A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.**

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

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

## Greeting

*The Priest greets the people, saying:*

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

*Or:*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Or:*

The Lord be with you.

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

*The Mass of the day may be introduced.*

## Penitential Act

*The Priest invites the faithful to repentance followed, after a brief pause, by one of the Penitential Acts:*

**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;**

**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:*

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison. **Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**

You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. *Or:* Christe, eleison. **Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy. *Or:* Kyrie, eleison. **Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.**

*The absolution by the Priest follows.*

*The people reply:*

**Amen.**

*If the 'Kyrie, eleison' has not been said or sung, it is said or sung now.*

## The Gloria

**Glorify 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

O God, who wonderfully created the dignity of human nature and still more wonderfully restored it, grant, we pray, that we may share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Sit*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful on the mountains,  
are the feet of one who brings good news,  
who heralds peace, brings happiness,  
proclaims salvation,  
and tells Zion,  
'Your God is king!'  
Listen! Your watchmen raise their voices,  
they shout for joy together,  
for they see the Lord face to face,  
as he returns to Zion.  
Break into shouts of joy together,  
you ruins of Jerusalem;  
for the Lord is consoling his people,  
redeeming Jerusalem.  
The Lord bares his holy arm  
in the sight of all the nations,  
all the ends of the earth shall see  
the salvation of our God.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalms** Ps 97:1-6. R.v3

**R) All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.**

Sing a new song to the Lord  
for he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have brought salvation. **(R)**

The Lord has made known his salvation;  
has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love  
for the House of Israel. **(R)**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord all the earth,  
ring out your joy. **(R)**

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp,  
with the sound of music.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
acclaim the King, the Lord. **(R)**

### Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews. 1:1-6

At various times in the past and in various different  
ways, God spoke to our  
ancestors through the prophets; but in our own  
time, the last days, he has  
spoken to us through his Son, the Son that he has  
appointed to inherit everything and through whom  
he made everything there is. He is the radiant light  
of God's glory and the perfect copy of his nature,  
sustaining the universe by his powerful command;  
and now that he has destroyed the defilement of  
sin, he has gone to take his place in heaven at the  
right hand of divine Majesty. So he is now as far  
above the angels as the title which he has inherited  
is higher than their own name.

God has never said to any angel: You are my  
Son, today I have become your father; or: I will be  
a father to him and he a son to me. Again, when

he brings the First-born into the world, he says:  
Let all the angels of God worship him.  
The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation** *Stand*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**A hallowed day has dawned upon us.**  
**Come, you nations, worship the Lord,**  
**for today a great light has shone down upon**  
**the earth.**  
**Alleluia!**

**Gospel** John 1:1-18

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**  
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*Shorter form, read between brackets [...]*

[In the beginning was the Word:  
the Word was with God  
and the Word was God.  
He was with God in the beginning.  
Through him all things came to be,  
not one thing had its being but through him.  
All that came to be had life in him  
and that life was the light of men,  
a light that shines in the dark,  
a light that darkness could not overpower.]

A man came, sent by God.  
His name was John.  
He came as a witness,  
as a witness to speak for the light,  
so that everyone might believe through him.  
He was not the light,  
only a witness to speak for the light.

[The Word was the true light  
that enlightens all men;  
and he was coming into the world.  
He was in the world  
that had its being through him,  
and the world did not know him.  
He came to his own domain  
and his own people did not accept him.  
But to all who did accept him  
he gave power to become children of God,  
to all who believe in the name of him  
who was born not out of human stock  
or urge of the flesh  
or will of man  
but of God himself.  
The Word was made flesh,  
he lived among us,  
and we saw his glory,  
the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father,  
full of grace and truth.]

John appears as his witness. He proclaims:  
'This is the one of whom I said:  
He who comes after me  
ranks before me  
because he existed before me.'

Indeed, from his fullness we have, all of us, received -  
yes, grace in return for grace,

since, though the Law was given through Moses,  
grace and truth have come through Jesus Christ.  
No one has ever seen God;  
it is the only Son, who is nearest to the Father's heart,  
who has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**The Homily** *Sit*

**The Nicene Creed** *Stand*

**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,**  
**and by the Holy Spirit**  
**was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,**  
**and became man.** *All bow*

**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.**

*Or:*

**The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God,**  
**the Father almighty,**  
**Creator of heaven and earth,**  
**and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**  
**who was conceived by the**  
**Holy Spirit,**  
**born of the Virgin Mary,**  
**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**  
**was crucified, died and was buried;** *All bow*

**he descended into hell;**  
**on the third day he rose again from the dead;**  
**he ascended into heaven,**  
**and is seated at the right hand of God**  
**the Father almighty;**  
**from there he will come to judge the**  
**living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**  
**the holy catholic Church,**  
**the communion of saints,**  
**the forgiveness of sins,**  
**the resurrection of the body,**  
**and life everlasting. Amen.**

**The Prayer of the Faithful**  
*Response example:* Lord, in your mercy.  
**Hear our prayer.**

*After the concluding prayer all say:* **Amen.** *Sit*

**THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*The offerings are brought to the altar.*  
*A hymn may be sung.*

*If the Priest says the two prayers of offering*  
*aloud the response both times is:*  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Priest completes additional personal*  
*preparatory rites, and the people rise as he says:*  
Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),  
that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

*The people 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**  
Make acceptable, O Lord, our oblation on this  
solemn day,  
when you manifested the reconciliation  
that makes us wholly pleasing in your sight  
and inaugurated for us the fullness of divine  
worship.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**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 continues with the Preface and concludes*  
*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*

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues until the priest*  
*says:*

The mystery of faith.