

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

Jn 1:14

The Word became flesh, and we have seen his glory.

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 us, we pray, O Lord our God, that we, who are gladdened by participation in the feast of our Redeemer's Nativity, may through an honourable way of life become worthy of union with him. 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 NIGHT MASS

25th December 2022

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn

Stand

Ps 2:7

The Lord said to me: You are my Son. It is I who have begotten you this day.

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 have made this most sacred night radiant with the splendour of the true light, grant, we pray, that we, who have known the mysteries of

his light on earth, may also delight in his gladness in heaven. 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 9:1-7

The people that walked in darkness
has seen a great light;
on those who live in a land of deep shadow
a light has shone.
You have made their gladness greater,
you have made their joy increase;
they rejoice in your presence
as men rejoice at harvest time,
as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils.
For the yoke that was weighing on him,
the bar across his shoulders,
the rod of his oppressor,
these you break as on the day of Midian.
For all the footgear of battle,
every cloak rolled in blood,
is burnt,
and consumed by fire.
For there is a child born for us,
a son given to us
and dominion is laid on his shoulders;
and this is the name they give him:
Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God,
Eternal-Father, Prince-of-Peace.
Wide is his dominion
in a peace that has no end,
for the throne of David
and for his royal power,
which he establishes and makes secure
in justice and integrity.
From this time onwards and for ever,
the jealous love of the Lord of hosts will do this.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm Ps 95:1-3.11-13. R. Lk 2:11

**R) Today a saviour has been born to us;
he is Christ the Lord.**

O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **(R)**

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the people **(R)**

Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad,
let the sea and all within it thunder praise,
let the land and all it bears rejoice,
all the trees of the wood shout for joy
at the presence of the Lord for he comes,
he comes to rule the earth. **(R)**

With justice he will rule the world,
he will judge the peoples with his truth. **(R)**

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to Titus 2:11-14

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made
salvation possible for the whole human race and
taught us that what we have to do is to give up
everything that does not lead to God, and all our
worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and
live good and religious lives here in this present
world, while we are waiting in hope for the
blessing which will come with the Appearing of
the glory of our great God and saviour Christ
Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set
us free from all wickedness and to purify a people
so that it could be his very own and would have
no ambition except to do good.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation *Stand*

Alleluia, alleluia!
I bring you news of great joy; Lk 2:10-11
today a saviour has been born to us, Christ
the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 2:1-14

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

Caesar Augustus issued a decree for a census of
the whole world to be taken. This census - the first
- took place while Quirinius was governor of
Syria, and everyone went to his own town to be
registered. So Joseph set out from the town of
Nazareth in Galilee and travelled up to Judaea,
to the town of David called Bethlehem, since he was
of David's House and line, in order to be
registered together with Mary, his betrothed, who
was with child. While they were there the time
came for her to have her child, and she gave birth
to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in
swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger
because there was no room for them at the inn.
In the countryside close by there were shepherds
who lived in the fields and took it in turns to watch
their flocks during the night. The angel of the
Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord
shone round them. They were terrified, but the
angel said, 'Do not be afraid. Listen, I bring you
news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole
people. Today in the town of David a saviour has
been born to you, he is Christ the Lord. And here
is a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in
swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.' And
suddenly with the angel there was a great throng
of the heavenly host, praising God and singing:

'Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and peace to men who enjoy his favour.'
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily

The Nicene 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,
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.**

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;
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;**

Sit

Stand

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

May the oblation of this day's feast
be pleasing to you, O Lord, we pray,
that through this most holy exchange
we may be found in the likeness of Christ,
in whom our nature is united to you.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
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.