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:

Amen.

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.

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

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence. O Lord.

Jn 6: 58

Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father. so whoever feeds on me shall have life because of me, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Stand

Cf. Ps 15: 11

May the working of your power, O Lord, increase in us, we pray, so that, renewed by these heavenly Sacraments. we may be prepared by your gift for receiving what they promise. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements may be made.

Then:

Priest: The Lord be with you. 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

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) 5th November 2023

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn.

Stand

Cf. Ps 37: 22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help. O Lord, my strong salvation!

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.

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.

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

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.

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

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 alorify 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 praver: you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One. vou 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

Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service. grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the book of Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10

I am a great king, says the Lord of Hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of Hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. But you, you have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of Hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration.

Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm Ps 130

R) Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

O Lord, my heart is not proud nor haughty my eyes. I have not gone after things too great nor marvels beyond me. **(R)**

Truly I have set my soul in silence and peace.

A weaned child on its mother's breast, even so is my soul. (R)

O Israel, hope in the Lord both now and forever. (R)

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 2:7-9.13

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you.

Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Mt23:9,10
You have only one Father, and he is in heaven;
you have only one Teacher, the Christ!

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 23:1-12

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.

'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily

Sit

Stand

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 All bow Holv 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; 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 these sacrificial offerings, O Lord, become for you a pure oblation, and for us a holy outpouring of your mercy. 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 saving 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.

The Eucharistic Prayer continues until the priest says:

The mystery of faith.

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.