

THE CATHOLIC MASS SHEET

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

Palm Sunday (A)

29th March 2026

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

Mt 26:42

**Father, if this chalice cannot pass without
my drinking it,
your will be done.**

Prayer after Communion

Stand

Nourished with these sacred gifts,
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,
that, just as through the death of your Son
you have brought us to hope for what we believe,
so by his Resurrection
you may lead us to where you call.
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements may be made.

Then:

Blessing

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Prayer over the People

The Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Bow down for the Blessing.

The Priest continues:

Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ
did not hesitate to be delivered into the hands
of the wicked
and submit to the agony of the Cross.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.
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.



THE
CATHOLIC
PRINTING
COMPANY OF FARNWORTH®

www.catholicprint.co.uk
0161 873 7457

Concordat cum originali: Jane Porter.
Imprimatur: Christopher Dawson, Chancellor, Salford.
The English translation of the Lectionary for Mass
© 2023 Catholic Bishops' Conference of England
and Wales and Bishops' Conference of Scotland.
The Abbey Psalms and Canticles by the Monks
of Conception Abbey ©2018, 2010 United States
Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC.
All Rights Reserved. Administered in England and
Wales by Colloquium (CaTEW) on behalf of the
Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.
The Catholic Printing Company
of Farnworth Limited © 2024

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn

Stand

Cf. Jn 12:1, 12-13; Ps 23:9-10
Six days before the Passover,
when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem,
the children ran to meet him;
in their hands they carried palm branches
and with a loud voice cried out:

*Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your
abundant mercy!

O gates, lift high your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!
Who is this king of glory?
He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

*Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your
abundant mercy!

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 everyone present.

The people respond: And with your spirit.

The Mass of the day may be introduced.

Penitential Act

The Priest invites the people to repentance Then

Lord Jesus, you were lifted up to draw all people
to your self:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You shouldered the cross, to bear our suffering
and sinfulness:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You open for your people the way from death into life:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

The Priest says the absolution. All reply: Amen.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
who as an example of humility for the human
race to follow
caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to
the Cross,
graciously grant that we may heed his lesson
of patient suffering

and so merit a share in his Resurrection.
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.
Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord God has given me the tongue of
those who are taught, that I may know how to
sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning
by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught. The Lord God
has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I
turned not backwards. I gave my back to those
who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull
out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace
and spitting. But the Lord God helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore
I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I
shall not be put to shame.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 22(21):8-9. 17-18a. 19-20. 23-24. R.2a

**R. My God, my God, why have you
forsaken me?**

All who see me deride me;
they curl their lips, they toss their heads:
'He trusted in the LORD, let him save him;
let him release him, for in him he delights.'

R.

For dogs have surrounded me;
a band of the wicked besets me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet;
I can count every one of my bones.

R.

They divide my clothing among them,
they cast lots for my robe.
But you, O LORD, do not stay afar off;
my strength, make haste to help me!

R.

I will tell of your name to my kin,
and praise you in the midst of the assembly;
'You who fear the LORD, give him praise;
all descendants of Jacob, give him glory;
revere him, all you descendants of Israel.'

R.

Second Reading

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the
Philippians. Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Acclamation before the Gospel *Stand*

Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Christ became for us obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name. Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Passion

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Matthew 26:14-27:66

At the end: 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; 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. *All bow*

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.

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 people rise as the Priest 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

Through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son, O Lord, may our reconciliation with you be near at hand, so that, though we do not merit it by our own deeds, yet by this sacrifice made once for all, we may feel already the effects 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 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.

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.