

10:00 AM COMMUNION
ADVENT 2021

THE ORDER FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF

THE LORD'S SUPPER

or

HOLY COMMUNION,

COMMONLY CALLED

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Renewed Ancient Text

THE ACCLAMATION

The People standing, the Celebrant says this or a seasonal greeting

In the season of Advent

Celebrant Surely the Lord is coming soon.

People Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant prays (and the People may be invited to join)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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 SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Then follows the Summary of the Law, or The Decalogue (page 100).

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 22:37-40^T

SONG OF PRAISE

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

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Officiant Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the Collect.

People Amen.

THE LESSONS

One or more Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from _____.

A citation giving chapter and verse may be added.

After each Lesson the Reader may say

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Or the Reader may say Here ends the Reading.

Silence may follow.

A psalm, hymn, or anthem may follow each reading.

All standing, the Deacon or Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

On Sundays, other Major Feast Days, and other times as appointed, all stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Celebrant first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

Celebrant and People

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten 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],¹
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

¹ The phrase “and the Son” (Latin filioque) is not in the original Greek text. See the resolution of the College of Bishops concerning the filioque in Documentary Foundations (page 768).

**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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The Deacon or other person appointed says these prayers,
The reader pauses after each bidding, and the people may add petitions, either
silently or aloud.*

Let us pray.... (a moment of silence here)

God of many names, God beyond all names; the beginning and the end of every story, the meaning of every life; infinite Mystery both hidden and revealed:

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

Blessed are You who join us together in the communion of Christ's Body. Renew and energize your holy Church, in this church and throughout the world, that we may be a resurrection people, manifesting your steadfast love in our common life of praise and service...

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In the hope of your mercy,

People **Hear us when we pray to you.**

O perfect Wisdom, direct and rule the hearts of the leaders and shapers of society, raise up prophets of justice and peace, and empower your people for the holy vocation of repairing the world.

May we entrust all our labors to the work of your Providence...

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

O Deliverer, You unlock every door and make a way where there is no way. Set free all who are afflicted or distressed in body, mind or spirit. Resurrect their hope, grant them peace and refreshment, and restore their joy...

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

O compassionate One, hold us in your mercy: heal the sick, mend the broken, protect the vulnerable, shelter the refugee, strengthen the weary, rescue the lost, and give courage to all who struggle...

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

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O Morning Star, bright splendor of the light eternal, illumining all things with your radiance:

Come, enlighten all who sit in darkness, and those who dwell in the shadow of violence and death. Grant us your peace, and teach us to live in the dawn of your unfailing promise...

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

O Lover of souls, when we wander far away, lead us back to You; when we refuse your embrace, do not give up on us; when we forget You, do not forget us...

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

O Desire of every heart, the answer to every longing: You are the strong force that draws us into the mystery of love divine. Forgive us those things which distract and delay us, and lead us ever deeper into the Way, the Truth and the Life...

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

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God who has come, God who does come, God who is yet to come:
Make us an Advent people, ready and alert to welcome and receive You
in the stranger's face, the loving act, the moment of grace, the presence
of healing, the birth of possibility, the gift of wonder. Let every heart
prepare You room...

In the hope of your mercy,

People Hear us when we pray to you.

Dear people of God, what else, or who else, should we pray for?

The People offer their particular concerns and thanksgivings, aloud or in silence.

The Celebrant concludes by saying

O Emmanuel, God-with-us, You show us the face of divinity, and
reveal the fullness of our humanity. Come: renew your creation, restore
us all in Christ, and enable us to become who we are, your faithful and
loving people. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

The service continues with the Confession of Sin.

Reader may return to the pew.

THE CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

The Deacon or other person appointed says the following

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Silence

The Deacon and People kneel as able and pray

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

**have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Bishop or Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with

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true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the Name of the Lord.

THE OFFERTORY

During the Offertory a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.

THE SURSUM CORDA

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface (pages 152-158) is normally sung or said

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

Celebrant and People

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.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it, and here may break the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.*

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it,* and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for

the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant then says

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

Celebrant and People together pray

**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,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION

If the consecrated Bread was not broken earlier, the Celebrant breaks it now.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Celebrant [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation

The gifts of God for the people of God. [Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.]

During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father,
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives this or an alternate blessing

All our problems
We send to the cross of Christ.
All our difficulties
We send to the cross of Christ.

All the devil's works
We send to the cross of Christ.

All our hopes
We set on the risen Christ.

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you
and scatter the darkness from before your path:
and the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

A hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung after the Blessing (or following the Dismissal).

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or the Priest, may dismiss the People with these words

Let us go forth with the [hope] of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The People respond

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia. Amen!