

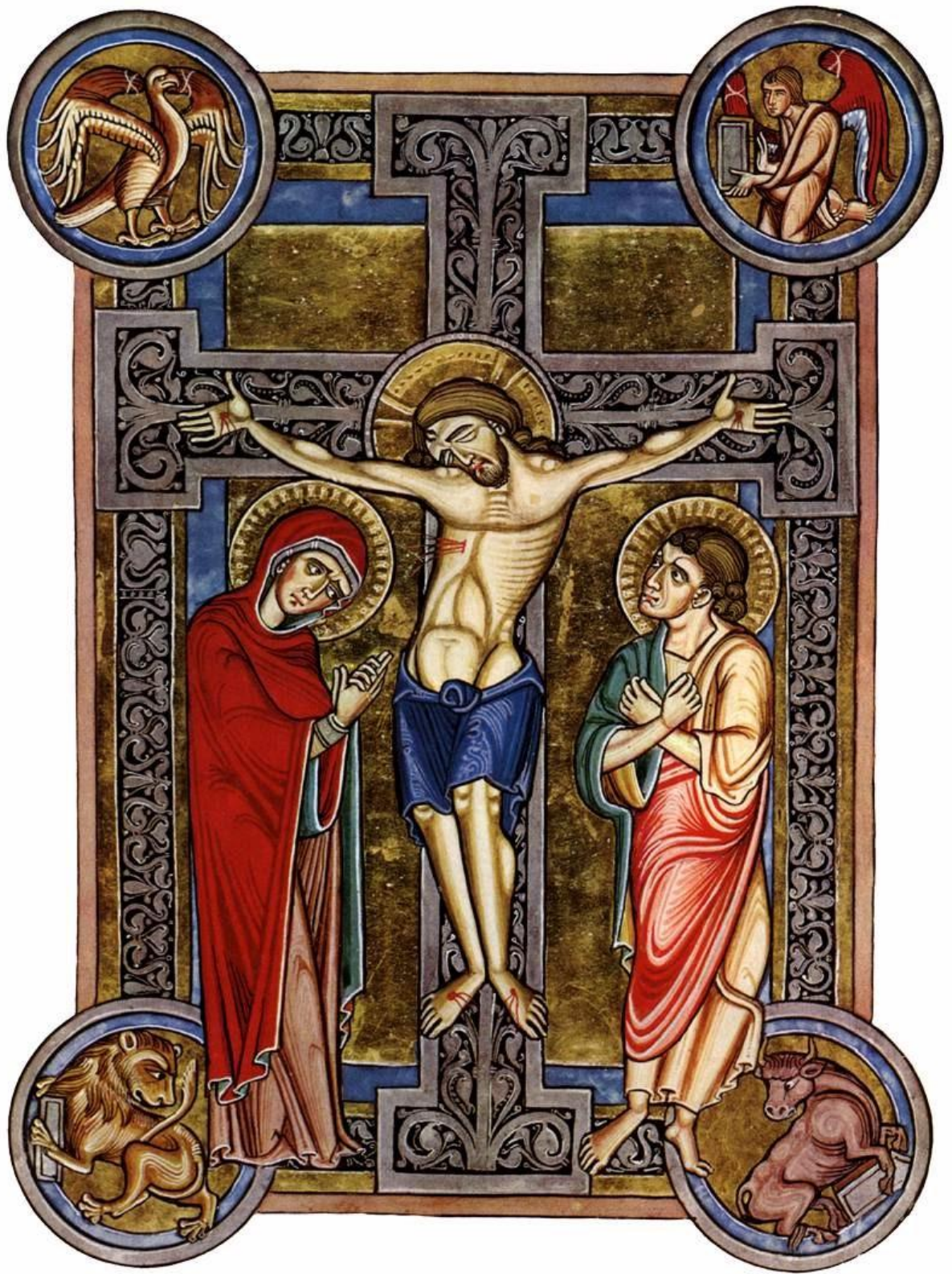


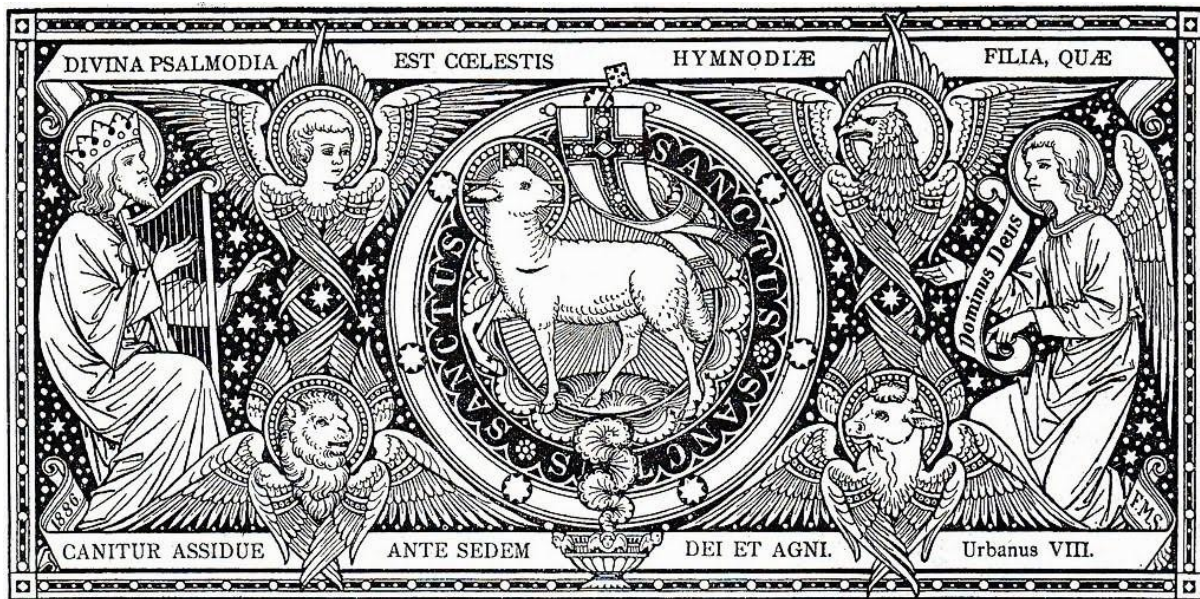
Ancient Catholic Church

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ROMAN MASS

**The Administration of the Eucharist
According to the Roman Rite**

**Authorised for use in public worship
in the Ancient Catholic Church**





THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Clergy approach the altar and with a profound bow say together, making the sign of the cross:

Priest: O God, come to my assistance
O, Lord make haste to help me.

Antiphon is read:

Priest: I will appoint over you shepherds after my own heart, who shepherd you wisely and prudently.

Jeremiah 3:15

When the entrance hymn is concluded, the celebrating bishop, assembled clergy and the Faithful, standing, sign themselves with the Sign of the Cross:

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Then, the priest, extending his hands, greets the people, saying:

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

PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest: My brothers and sisters, as we gather as God's family, with confidence let us ask God's forgiveness, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

A brief silence is held, then the priest makes the following invocations:

Priest: Lord Jesus, you healed the sick:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you forgave sinners:
Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Priest: Lord Jesus, you give us yourself to heal us and bring us strength: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

The absolution by the celebrant follows:

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

COLLECT

Priest: Let us pray.

An appropriate silence is held; the celebrant continues with these words, or similar:

Priest: Almighty ever-living God,
who govern all things,
both in heaven and on earth,
mercifully hear the pleading of your people

and bestow your peace on our times.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The deacon or priest (if no deacon is present) reads the gospel:

A Reading of the Holy Gospel According to **N**.

The people acclaim:

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel, the bishop, acclaims:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

NICENE CREED

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. 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

CELTIC PRAYERS

Priest: God, in kindness,

All: Hear our prayers.

Priest: In this ancient place, through the centuries, God has heard and answered prayers.

So, if there is something we want to share with our Maker, let us do that now in silence as God always listens.

Priest: Glory to God who created us,

All: to Christ who rules over the earth,

Priest: to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts

All: both now and forever. Amen

CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF MASS

The priest places the corporal, purifier, chalice, pall and the Missal on the altar. The gifts of bread and wine are brought forward.

The priest, standing at the altar, takes the paten with the bread and holds it slightly raised above the altar with both hands, saying quietly:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the bread we offer you:

fruit of the earth and work of human hands,
it will become for us the bread of life.

Then he places the paten with the bread on the corporal. The priest pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying quietly:

By the mystery of this water and wine
may we come to share in the divinity of Christ
who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

The priest then takes the chalice and holds it slightly raised above the altar with both hands, saying quietly:

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,
for through your goodness we have received
the wine we offer you:
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,
it will become our spiritual drink.

Then, the priest bows profoundly and says quietly:

With humble spirit and contrite heart
may we be accepted by you, O Lord,
and may our sacrifice in your sight this day
be pleasing to you, Lord God.

The priest then incenses the offerings, the cross, and the altar.

Then the priest, standing at the side of the altar, washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

Standing at the middle of the altar, facing the people, extending, and then joining his hands, he says:

Priest: Pray brothers and sisters,
that my sacrifice and yours
may be acceptable to God,
the almighty Father.

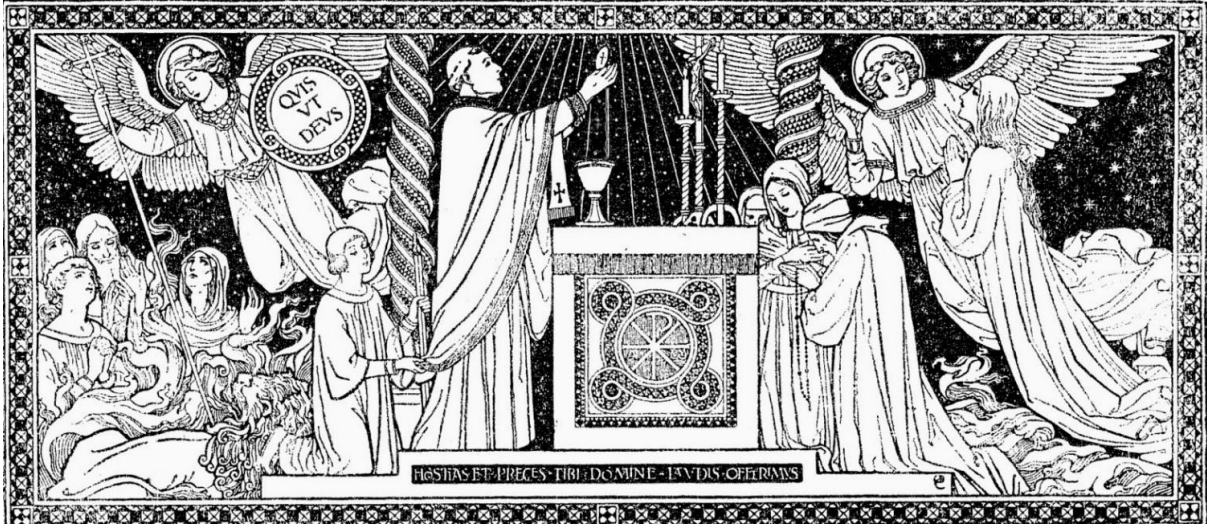
The people rise and reply:

All: 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.

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says the Prayers over the Offerings:

O Lord, we bring to your altar
these offerings of our service:
be pleased to receive them, we pray,
and transform them
into the Sacrament of our redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Extending his hands, the Priest says the following Preface; alternatives may be used:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit

The Priest, raising his hands, continues:

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

The Priest, with hands extended, adds:

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right and just.

Priest: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
For the Lord Jesus, the King of glory,
conqueror of sin and death,
ascended today to the highest heavens,
as the Angels gazed in wonder.

Mediator between God and man,
judge of the world and Lord of hosts,

he ascended, not to distance himself from our lowly state but that we, his members, might be confident of following where he, our Head and Founder, has gone before.

Therefore, overcome with paschal joy,
every land, every people exults in your praise
and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts,
sing together the unending hymn of your glory,
as they acclaim:

Then the priest, with hands joined, says:

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.

Then the priest, with hands extended, says Eucharistic Prayer 1, alternatives may be used:

To you, therefore, most merciful Father,
we make humble prayers and petition
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord:

He joins hands and says:

that you accept

He makes the Sign of the Cross over the bread and chalice together, saying:

and bless ✠ these gifts, these offerings,
these holy and unblemished sacrifices,

With extended hands, he continues:

which we offer you firstly
for your holy catholic Church.
Be pleased to grant her peace,
to guard, unite and govern her
throughout the whole world,
together with your servant Pope **N.**
our Pontiff, **N.** our bishops,

and all those who, holding to the truth,
hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Commemoration of the Living:

Remember, Lord, your servants **N.** and **N.**

The Priest joins his hands and prays briefly for those for whom he intends to pray.

Then, with hands extended, he continues:

and all gathered here,
whose faith and devotion are known to you.
For them, we offer you this sacrifice of praise
or they offer it for themselves
and all who are dear to them:
for the redemption of their souls,
in hope of health and well-being,
and paying their homage to you,
the eternal God, living and true.

Celebrating the most sacred day
on which your Only Begotten Son, our Lord,
placed at the right hand of your glory
our weak human nature,
which He had united to himself,
and in communion with those whose memory we venerate,
especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary,
Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ,
and blessed Joseph, her Spouse,
your blessed Apostles and Martyrs,
Peter and Paul, Andrew,
James, John,
Thomas, James, Philip,
Bareholomew, Matthew,
Simon and Jude;
Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus,
Cornelius, Cyprian,
Lawrence, Chrysogonus,

John and Paul,
Cosmas and Damian
and all your Saints;
we ask that through their merits and prayers,
in all things we may be defended
by your protecting help.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

With hands extended, the Priest continues:

Therefore, Lord, we pray:
graciously accept this oblation of our service,
that of your whole family;
order our days in your peace,
and command that we be delivered from eternal damnation
and counted among the flock of those you have chosen.

He joins his hands.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Holding his hands extended over the offerings, he says:

Be pleased, O God, we pray,
to bless, acknowledge,
and approve this offering in every respect;
make it spiritual and acceptable,
so that it may become for us
the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ.

He joins hands.

In the formulas that follow, the words of the Lord should be pronounced clearly and distinctly, as the nature of these words require.

On the day before he was to suffer,

He takes the bread and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, continues:

he took bread in his holy and venerable hands,

He raises his eye.

and with eye raised to heaven
to you, O God, his almighty Father,
giving you thanks, he said the blessing,
broke the bread
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

He bows slightly.

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,
FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP
FOR YOU.

He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it again on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.

After this, the Priest continues:

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

He takes the chalice and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, continues:

he took this precious chalice
in his holy and venerable hands,
and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing
and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

He bows slightly.

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL
COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR
YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF
SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration.

Then he says:

The mystery of faith.

And the people continue, acclaiming:

All: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

Priest: Therefore, O Lord,
as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed Passion,
the Resurrection from the dead,
and the glorious Ascension into heaven
of Christ, your Son, our Lord,
we, your servants and your holy people,
offer to your glorious majesty
from the gifts that you have given us,
this pure victim,
this holy victim,
this spotless victim,
the holy Bread of eternal life
and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings
with a serene and kindly countenance,
and to accept them,
as once you were pleased to accept
the gifts of your servant Abel the just,
the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith,
and the offering of your high priest Melchizadek,
a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

Bowing, with hands joined, he continues:

In humble prayers, we ask you, almighty God:
command that these gifts be borne
by the hands of your holy Angels
to your altar on high,
in the sight of your divine majesty,
so that all of us, who through this participation at the altar
receive the most holy Body and Blood of your son,

He stands upright again and signs himself with the Sign of the Cross, saying:

may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing

He joins his hands.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD

With hands extended, the Priest says:

Remember also, Lord, your servants **N**.

He joins his hands and prays briefly for those who have died and for whom he intends to pray.

Then, with hands extended, he continues:

Grant them, O Lord, we pray,
and all who sleep in Christ,
a place of refreshment, light and peace.

He joins his hands.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A moment of silence is held before the Priest says:

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners,

And, with hands extended, he continues:

hope in your abundant mercies,
gracious grant some share
and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs:
with John the Baptist, Stephen,
Matthias, Barnabas,
Ignatius, Alexander,
Marcellinus, Peter,
Felicity, Perpetua,
Agatha, Lucy,
Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia,
Benedict, Romuald, Felix,
David of Wales

and all your Saints;
admit us, we beseech you,
into their company,
not weighing our merits,
but granting us your pardon,

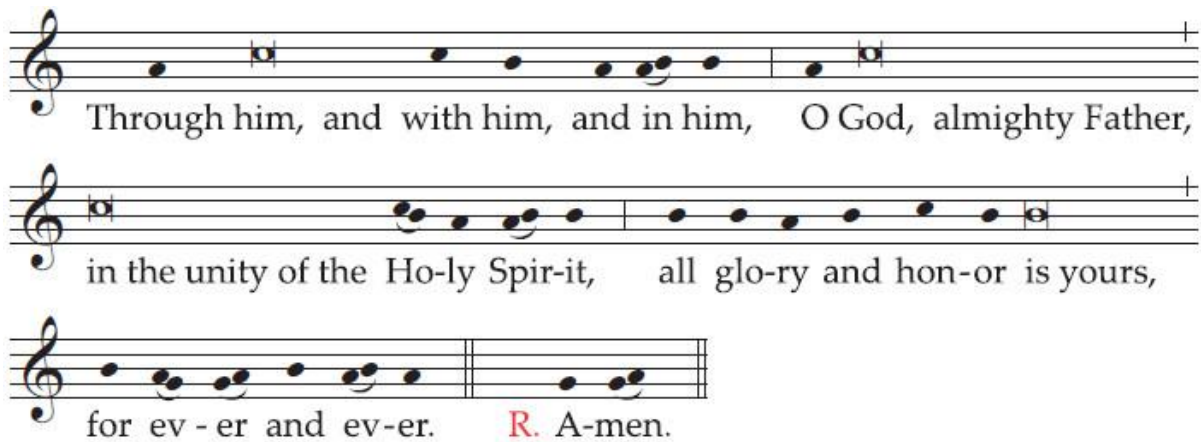
He joins his hands.

through Christ our Lord.

And he continues:

Through whom
you continue to make all these good things, O Lord;
you sanctify them, fill them with life,
bless them, and bestow them upon us.

He takes the chalice and the paten, raising both with arms crossed, he says:

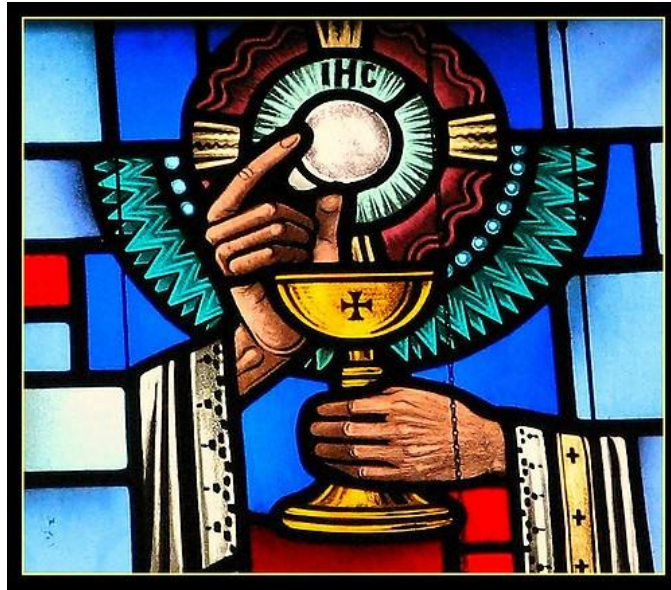


Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Ho-ly Spir-it, all glo-ry and hon-or is yours,
for ev - er and ev-er. R. A-men.

Through him, and with him, and in him,
O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all the glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever.

The people acclaim:

All: Amen.



COMMUNION RITE

After the chalice and paten have been set down, the Priest, with hands joined, says:

At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to say:

He extends his hands and, together with the people, continues:

All: Our Father, who are in heaven,
hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come,
your 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.

With hands extended, the Priest alone continues, saying:

Priest: 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.

He joins his hands.

The people conclude the prayers, acclaiming:

All: For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says aloud:

Priest: 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.

He joins his hands.

Who live and reign for ever and ever.

The people reply:

All: Amen.

The Priest, turned towards the people, extending, and then joining his hands, adds:

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

Then, the Priest adds:

Priest: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The priest gives the sign of peace to the clergy and server.

He then takes the host, breaks it over the paten, and places a small piece in the chalice,
saying quietly:

May this mingling of the Body and Blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ
bring eternal life to us who receive it.

Meanwhile the following is sung:

Priest: Jesus, risen Lord, triumphant King:
Jesus, true redeemer of the world:

All: Hear our prayers, have mercy;
hear our prayers, have mercy;
give us your peace.

Priest: Jesus, Lamb of God and bread of life:
Jesus, blood that cleanses us from sin.

All: Hear our prayers, have mercy;
hear our prayers, have mercy;
give us your peace.

Priest: Jesus showing how we ought to serve:
Jesus, teaching how we ought to love.

All: Hear our prayers, have mercy;
hear our prayers, have mercy;
give us your peace.

Priest: Jesus, Lord of life and Lord of light:
Jesus, here in form of bread and wine;

All: Hear our prayers, have mercy;
hear our prayers, have mercy;
grant us your peace.

Then the Priest, with hands joined, says quietly:

Priest: May the receiving of your Body and Blood,
Lord Jesus Christ,
not bring me to judgment and condemnation,
but through your loving mercy
be for me protection in mind and body
and a healing remedy.

The Priest genuflects, takes the host and, holding it slightly raised above the chalice, while facing the people, says aloud:

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.

And together with the people he adds once:

All: 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, facing the altar, says quietly:

Priest: May the Body of Christ
keep me safe for eternal life.

And he reverently consumes the Body of Christ.

Then he takes the chalice and says quietly:

May the Blood of Christ
keep me safe for eternal life.

And he reverently consumes the Blood of Christ.

The Communion Antiphon is said:

Behold, I am with you always,
Even to the end of the age, alleluia.

After this, he takes the paten or ciborium and approaches the communicants. The Priest raises the host slightly and shows it to each of the communicants, saying:

The Body of Christ

The people reply:

Amen.

When the distribution of Communion is over, the Priest purifies the paten over the chalice and the chalice itself.

While he carries out the purification, the priest says quietly:

What has passed our lips as food, O Lord,
may we possess in purity of heart,
that what has been given to us in time
may be our healing for eternity.

Then the Priest remains at the centre of the altar. A sacred silence is observed for a while or a hymn of praise may be sung.

Then, standing at the altar, facing the people, with hands joined, the Priest says:

Let us pray.

All pray in silence with the Priest for a while, unless silence has just been observed. Then the Priest, with hands extended, says the Prayers after Communion:

Almighty ever-living God,
Who allow those on earth to celebrate divine mysteries,
grant, we pray, that Christian hope may draw us onward
to where our nature is united with you.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The priest stands before the Pontiff with hands clasped and bows to acknowledge Mass has been concluded. He returns to stand by his chair and the Pontiff stands.

BLESSING

After the Mass, the Priest gives the following blessing:

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: And with your spirit.

Priest: Blessed be the name of the Lord

All: Now and for ever

Priest: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who made heaven and earth.

And the priest blesses all the people, adding:

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.

All: Amen.

Priest: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: Thanks be to God.