

**THE INTRODUCTORY RITES****Stand Entrance Antiphon**

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
alleluia.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*The Priest greets the people.*

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

**And with your spirit.**

*The Priest may very briefly introduce the Mass.*

**Penitential Act**

Brethren (brothers and sisters),  
let us acknowledge our sins,  
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred  
mysteries.

*After a brief examination of conscience, the  
following or an alternative form of the Penitential  
Act may be used.*

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

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

You came to call sinners:

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

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to  
intercede for us:

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

May almighty God have mercy on us,

forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

**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 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.**

**Collect**

Almighty ever-living God,  
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,  
so that the humble flock may reach  
where the brave Shepherd has gone before.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**LITURGY OF THE WORD****Sit****First Reading**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

*God has made him both Lord and Christ. 2:14 36-41*  
On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the  
Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice:  
‘The whole House of Israel can be certain that God  
has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord  
and Christ.’

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and  
said to Peter and the apostles, ‘What must we do,  
brothers?’ ‘You must repent,’ Peter answered, ‘and  
every one of you must be baptised in the name of  
Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and  
you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The  
promise that was made is for you and your children,  
and for all those who are far away, for all those  
whom the Lord our God will call to himself.’ He  
spoke to them for a long time using many  
arguments, and he urged them, ‘Save yourselves  
from this perverse generation.’ They were  
convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what  
he said and were baptised. That very day about  
three thousand were added to their number.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps.22

**The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.**

1. The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**
2. He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. **R.**

**The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. **R.**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow  
me  
all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. **R.**

### **Second Reading**

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.  
*You have come back to the shepherd of your souls.*

2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing  
punishment patiently when you are punished after  
doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do,  
because Christ suffered for you and left an example  
for you to follow the way he took. He had not done  
anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his  
mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with  
insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but  
he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was  
bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so  
that we might die to our faults and live for holiness;  
through his wounds you have been healed. You had  
gone astray like sheep but now you have come back  
to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Stand Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;**  
**I know my own sheep and my own know me.**  
**Alleluia!**

### **Gospel**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*I am the gate of the sheepfold.*

10:1-10

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who  
does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but  
gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The  
one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of  
the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear  
his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and  
leads them out. When he has brought out his flock,  
he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because  
they know his voice. They never follow a stranger  
but run away from him: they do not recognise the  
voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to  
understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:  
'I tell you most solemnly,  
I am the gate of the sheepfold.  
All others who have come  
are thieves and brigands;  
but the sheep took no notice of them.  
I am the gate.  
Anyone who enters through me will be safe:  
he will go freely in and out  
and be sure of finding pasture.  
The thief comes  
only to steal and kill and destroy.  
I have come  
so that they may have life  
and have it to the full.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Sit**

**Homily**

**Stand**

**Profession of Faith**

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.**

**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**

#### **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

*A hymn may now be sung.*

**Sit**

*The Priest takes the paten with the bread.*

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.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*The Priest pours wine and a little water into the  
chalice.*

*Then the Priest takes the chalice and, holding it  
slightly raised above the altar, says:*

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.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

*He may now incense the offerings and the altar.  
Afterwards the Deacon or a minister incenses the  
Priest and people.*

### **Stand**

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),  
that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

**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**

Grant, we pray, O Lord,  
that we may always find delight in these paschal  
mysteries,  
so that the renewal constantly at work within us  
may be the cause of our unending joy.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The Priest may use the following or an alternative.*

### **Eucharistic Prayer II Preface III of Easter**

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.**

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
at all times to acclaim you, O Lord,  
but in this time above all to laud you yet more  
gloriously,  
when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed.

He never ceases to offer himself for us  
but defends us and ever pleads our cause before you:  
he is the sacrificial Victim who dies no more,  
the Lamb, once slain, who lives for ever.

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:

**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**

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,  
the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,  
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the  
dewfall,  
so that they may become for us  
the Body and  $\times$  Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed  
and entered willingly into his Passion,  
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

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

In a similar way, when supper was ended,  
he took the chalice,  
and, once more giving thanks,  
he gave it to his disciples, saying:

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.

The mystery of faith.  
*All respond with the following or one of the  
alternatives:*

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

Therefore, as we celebrate  
the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,  
we offer you, Lord,  
the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,  
giving thanks that you have held us worthy  
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray  
that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,  
we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church,  
spread throughout the world,  
and bring her to the fullness of charity,  
together with Francis our Pope and N. our Bishop  
and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters  
who have fallen asleep in the hope of the  
resurrection,  
and all who have died in your mercy:

welcome them into the light of your face.  
Have mercy on us all, we pray,  
that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God,  
with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,  
with the blessed Apostles,  
and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout  
the ages,  
we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life,  
and may praise and glorify you  
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

*The Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and raising both, says:*  
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. **Amen.**

### **Stand**      **COMMUNION RITE**

*The Priest now introduces the Lord's Prayer.*

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

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 Priest or Deacon may add:*  
Let us offer each other the sign of peace.  
*Those present share a sign of peace, for example a handshake.*

*The Priest takes the host and breaks it over the paten. He places a small piece in the chalice.*

**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**

*Then, showing the host to the people, he 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.**

*After the Priest has reverently consumed the Body and Blood of Christ the communicants come forward in reverent procession, and make a preparatory act of reverence by bowing their head in honour of Christ's presence in the Sacrament. They receive Holy Communion.*

*The Priest says:* The Body (Blood) of Christ.  
*The communicant replies:* **Amen** and receives communion.

### **Communion Antiphon**

**The Good Shepherd has risen,  
who laid down his life for his sheep  
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.**

### **Stand**      **Prayer after Communion**

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd,  
and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures  
the sheep you have redeemed  
by the Precious Blood of your Son.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **THE CONCLUDING RITES**

*If there are any brief announcements, they are now made. Then the Priest says:*

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**  
May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

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.**