

THE ORDER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

INTRODUCTION

Entrance

Hymn 280 (SCHMÜCKE DICH, *New English Hymnal*)

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendour,
There with joy thy praises render
Unto him whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded;
High o'er all the heavens he reigneth,
Yet to dwell with thee he deigneth.

Now I sink before thee lowly,
Filled with joy most deep and holy,
As with trembling awe and wonder
On thy mighty works I ponder;
How, by mystery surrounded,
Depths no man hat ever sounded,
None may dare to pierce unbidden
Secrets that with thee are hidden.

Sun, who all my life dost brighten;
Light, who dost my soul enlighten;
Joy, the sweetest man e'er knoweth;
Fount, whence all my being floweth;
At thy feet I cry, my Maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven,
For our good, thy glory, given.

Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray thee,
Let me gladly here obey thee;
Never to my hurt invited,
Be thy love with love requited:
From this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
Through the gifts thou here dost give me,
As they guest in heaven receive me.

German, Johann Franck 1618-77
Tr Catherine Winkworth 1827-78

Acclamation

✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen

Greeting

The priest greets the people

✠ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: 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

Prayers of Penitence

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse from all unrighteousness. Let us seek his mercy.

All sit or kneel

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The priest says this or another absolution

May the Almighty and merciful God have mercy on you, ✠ pardon you, and forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, grant you time for amendment of life, and give you grace and strength to grow in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal. **Amen**

Kyrie Eleison

All sing

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

All stand to sing

Gloria in excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**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**

The Collect of the day is said

Let us pray.

The congregation sits or kneels

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Parish Prayer

GOD OUR FATHER, send your Holy Spirit upon the people of this parish. Give us a greater love for all. Make us more compassionate for the sick, the lonely and all in need, more zealous in the inspiration of the young; more concerned about the wider mission of the Church and more generous in our giving of service and money. Help each one of us to know what we ought to do, and give us strength and courage faithfully to do it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer at the Time of Choosing an Incumbent

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your word and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to

fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for the sake of your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

All sit for the Readings

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading is taken from the Book of Exodus,
Chapter 19, beginning to read from the 1st verse

In the third month after the Israelites' departure from the land of Egypt, on the first day, they came to the wilderness of Sinai. After they made the journey from Rephidim and entered the wilderness of Sinai, they then pitched camp in the wilderness. While Israel was encamped there in front of the mountain, Moses went up to the mountain of God. Then the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying: This is what you will say to the house of Jacob; tell the Israelites: You have seen how I treated the Egyptians and how I bore you up on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now, if you obey me completely and keep my covenant, you will be my treasured possession among all peoples, though all the earth is mine. You will be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation. That is what you must tell the Israelites.

After the reading

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Psalm, **Psalm 100**

Sung by the cantor alone, the congregation seated

1. O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
2. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

3. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
4. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

The **Second Reading** is taken from the **Second Epistle of Saint Paul to the Romans**, Chapter 5, beginning at the 6th verse

For Christ, while we were still helpless, yet died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. How much more then, since we are now justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath. Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

After the reading

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel

All stand to sing the sequence hymn

Sequence Hymn 295 (PICARDY, *New English Hymnal*)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
As of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
In the body and the blood:
He will give to all the faithful
His own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
Spreads its vanguard on the way,
As the Light of light descendeth
From the realms of endless day,
That the powers of hell may vanish
As the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;
Cherubim with sleepless eye,
Veil their faces to the Presence,
As with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya, Lord most high!

Liturgy of St James
Tr Gerard Moultrie 1829-85

The Gospel Acclamation is sung

Alleluia, alleluia!

The harvest is abundant but the labourers are few;
so ask the master of the harvest to send out labourers for his
harvest.

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew,
Chapter 9, beginning to read at the 35th verse

The deacon or priest makes the Sign of the Cross on the book and, together with the people, on his forehead, lips, and breast. At the same time the people acclaim

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus went around to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness. At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is abundant but the labourers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out labourers for his harvest.” Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him. Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, “Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.

After the Gospel

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

A sermon or homily is given

The Profession of Faith

All say or sing the profession of faith. Bow or genuflect at the words of the incarnation

**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

THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

With all our heart, and with all our mind, for the peace which is from above and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

The people kneel. At the conclusion of each intercession the following is used

Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Hear us Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord
**Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, world without end. Amen**

THE EUCHARIST

The Greeting of Peace

The priest introduces the greeting in these or other suitable words, the people standing

God is light and in him is no darkness. If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

The Offertory: Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn 307 (DIVINE MYSTERIES, *New English Hymnal*)

Sweet Sacrament divine,
Hid in thine earthly home,
Lo, round thy lowly shrine,
With suppliant hearts we come;
Jesu, to thee our voice we raise
In songs of love and heartfelt praise:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Sweet Sacrament of peace,
Dear home for every heart,
Where restless yearnings cease
And sorrows all depart;
There in thine ear all trustfully
We tell our tale of misery:
Sweet Sacrament of peace.

Sweet Sacrament of rest,
Ark from the ocean's roar,
Within thy shelter blest
Soon may we reach the shore;
Save us, for still the tempest raves,
Save, lest we sink beneath the waves:
Sweet Sacrament of rest.

Sweet Sacrament divine,
Earth's light and jubilee,
In thy far depths doth shine
The Godhead's majesty;
Sweet light, so shine on us, we pray
That earthly joys may fade away:
Sweet Sacrament divine.

Francis Stanfield 1835-1914

The gifts of the people are presented, and the bread and wine are placed on the Altar. These prayers may be said

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

The priest completes additional personal preparatory rites, and then the priest makes the following invitation to prayer

Pray, brethren that our sacrifice 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.**

The following may be said

Living God, accept our gifts and make them the bread of life and cup of salvation; that we who have confessed your name and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The People stand

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty, our joy and our salvation, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son, our Lord.

For he is the true high priest who has freed us from our sins, and made us a royal priesthood to you, our God and Father.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing,

**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 People kneel

Lord, you are holy indeed, the fountain of all holiness. Let your Spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ;

Before he was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take this, all of you, and eat it; this is my body which will be given up for you.

When supper was ended, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples, and said: Take this, all of you, and drink from it; this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Memorial Acclamation.

After the words of institution, when the priest has replaced the chalice on the Altar and genuflected.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

In memory of his death and resurrection, Father, we offer you this life-giving bread, this saving cup. We thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. May all of us who share in the

body and blood of Christ be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.

Lord, remember your Church throughout the world; make us grow in love, together with Glenn our archbishop and all the clergy.

Remember our departed brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again; bring them and all the departed into the light of your presence.

Have mercy on us all; make us worthy to share eternal life with Mary, the virgin Mother of the Lord, with the apostles, and with all the saints who have done your will throughout the ages.

May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father eternal, in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing, and honour, and glory and power, are yours for ever, and ever. Amen

The Communion

The Lord's Prayer is said or sung

Jesus taught us to call God our Father, and so in faith we pray:

Our Father 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. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen

The priest says

As this broken bread was once many grains,
which have been gathered together and made one bread:
**so may your Church be gathered
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**

Agnus Dei is said or sung as the priest breaks the consecrated Host

**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 your peace.**

The Priest invites the people to receive Holy Communion, he genuflects, takes the Host and, holding it slightly raised above the paten or above the chalice and says aloud:

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

This prayer is said

We do not presume to come to your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, So that our sinful bodies may be made clean by His body, and our souls washed through His most precious blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen

Come let us take this holy Sacrament of the body and blood of Christ and feed on him in our hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The priest and other communicants receive Holy Communion

The body of Christ. **Amen**

The blood of Christ. **Amen**

The Prayer after Communion

Lord God almighty, we have seen your holiness and our own unworthiness; may our hearts and lips be hallowed by the gifts from your altar, to speak your praise and proclaim your word; Anchor us in this hope you have set before us; so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The people say

Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

Blessing and Dismissal

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

The God of all grace who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen

Recessional Hymn 296ii (BRYN CALFARIA, *New English Hymnal*)

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluya,
Jesu, true and living Bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we;
Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for Faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluya,
Thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
As of old in Bethlehem
Here as there thine angels hail thee,
Branch and Flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluya,
We in worship join with them.

Pascal Lamb, thine Offering, finished
Once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fullness undiminished
Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluya,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

Live-imparting heavenly Manna,
Stricken Rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluya,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

G. H. Bourne 1840-1925

