

# THE ORDER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

## INTRODUCTION

### Entrance

### Hymn 351 (NEANDER, *New English Hymnal*)

Come, ye faithful, raise the anthem  
Cleave the skies with shouts of praise;  
Sing to him who found the ransom,  
Ancient of eternal days,  
God eternal, Word incarnate,  
Whom the heaven of heaven obeys.

Ere he raised the lofty mountains,  
Formed the sea, or built the sky,  
Love eternal, free, and boundless,  
Forced the Lord of life to die,  
Lifted up the Prince of princes  
On the throne of Calvary.

Now on those eternal mountains  
Stands the sapphire throne, all bright,  
With the ceaseless alleluyas  
Which they raise, the sons of light;  
Sion's people tell his praises,  
Victor after hard-won fight.

Bring your harps, and bring your incense,  
Sweep the string and pour the lay;  
Let the earth proclaim his wonders,  
King of that celestial day;  
He the Lamb once slain is worthy,  
Who was dead, and lives for ay.

Laud and honour to the Father,  
Laud and honour to the Son,  
Laud and honour to the Spirit,  
Ever Three and ever One,  
One in love, and One in splendour,  
While unending ages run. Amen

Job Hupton 1762-1849  
and J. M. Neale 1818-66

## 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 God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **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 Second book of Kings,  
Chapter 4, beginning to read from the 8<sup>th</sup> verse**

One day Elisha came to Shunem, where there was a woman of influence, who urged him to dine with her. Afterward, whenever he passed by, he used to stop there to dine. So she said to her husband, “I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp, so that when he comes to us he can stay there.” Sometime later Elisha arrived and stayed in the room overnight.

Later Elisha asked, “Can something be done for her?” His servant Gehazi answered, “Yes! She has no son, and her husband is getting on in years.” Elisha said, “Call her.” When the woman had been called and stood at the door, Elisha promised, “This time next year you will be fondling a baby son.”

*After the reading*

This is the Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

Gradual Psalm, **Psalm 89, vs. 1-9**

*Sung by the cantor alone, the congregation seated*

1. My song shall be always of the loving-kindness of the Lord :  
with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy truth from one  
generation to another.

2. For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever :  
thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.
3. I have made a covenant with my chosen :  
I have sworn unto David my servant;
4. Thy seed will I stablish for ever :  
and set up thy throne from one generation to another.
5. O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works :  
and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.
6. For who is he among the clouds :  
that shall be compared unto the Lord?
7. And what is he among the gods :  
that shall be like unto the Lord?
8. God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints :  
and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.
9. O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee :  
thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.

**The Second Reading is taken from the Epistle of Saint  
Paul to the Romans, Chapter 6, beginning at the 3<sup>rd</sup> verse**

Brothers and sisters:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

*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 172**, tune of 443 (GOPSAL, *New English Hymnal*)

‘Thou are the Christ, O Lord,  
The Son of God most high!’  
For ever be adored  
That name in earth and sky,  
In which, though mortal strength may fail,  
The saints of God at last prevail.

O surely he was blest  
With blessedness unpriced,  
Who, taught of God, confessed  
The Godhead in the Christ;  
For of thy Church, Lord, thou didst own  
Thy saint a true foundation-stone.

Thrice fallen, thrice restored,  
The bitter lesson learnt  
That heart for thee, O Lord,  
With triple ardour burnt.  
The cross he took he laid not down  
Until he grasped the martyr’s crown.

O bright triumphant faith,  
O courage voice of fears,  
O love most strong in death,  
O penitential tears!  
By these, Lord, keep us lest we fall,  
And make us go where thou shalt call.

W. Walsham How 1823-97

*The Gospel Acclamation is sung*

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;  
announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness  
into his wonderful light.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew,  
Chapter 10, beginning to read at the 37<sup>th</sup> 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 said to his apostles:

“Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

*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 271** (HYFRYDOL, *New English Hymnal*)

Alleluya, sing to Jesus,  
His the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluya, his the trimmph,  
His the victory alone:  
Hard the songs of peaceful Sion  
Thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus, out of every nation,  
Hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluya, not as orphans  
Are we left in sorrow now;  
Alleluya, he is near us,  
Faith believes, nor questions how;  
Though the cloud from sight received him  
When the forty days were o'er,  
Shall our hearts forget his promise,  
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluya, Bread of Angels,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay;  
Alleluya, here the sinful  
Flee to thee from day to day;  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
Where the songs of all the sinless  
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluya, King eternal,  
Thee the Lord of lords we own;  
Alleluya, born of Mary,  
Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
Thou within the veil hast entered,  
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest;  
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
In the Eucharistic Feast.

*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*

Lord God, through your sacraments you give us the power of your  
grace. May this Eucharist help us to serve you faithfully. **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, we offer you, Father, 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 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,  
may this sacrifice and communion  
give us a share in your life  
and help us to bring your love to the world. **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 452** (CARLISLE, *New English Hymnal*)

Stand up, and bless the Lord,  
Ye people of his choice;  
Stand up, and bless the Lord your God  
With heart and soul and voice.

Though high above all praise,  
Above all blessing high,  
Who would not fear his holy Name,  
And praise and magnify?

O for the living flame  
From his own altar brought,  
To touch our lips, our minds inspire,  
And wing to heaven our thought!

God is our strength and song,  
And his salvation ours;  
Then be his love in Christ proclaimed  
With all our ransomed powers.

Stand up, and bless the Lord,  
The Lord your God adore;  
Stand up, and bless his glorious name  
Henceforth for evermore.

James Montgomery 1771-1854