

THE ORDER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

INTRODUCTION

Entrance

Hymn 231 (ALL SAINTS, *New English Hymnal*)

Who are these, like stars appearing,
These before God's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing;
Who are all this glorious band?
Alleluya, hark! they sing,
Praising loud their heavenly King.

Who are these of dazzling brightness,
These in God's own truth arrayed,
Clad in robes of purest whiteness,
Robes whose lustre ne'er shall fade,
Ne'er be touched by time's rude hand –
Whence comes all this glorious band?

These are they who have contended
For their Saviour's honour long,
Wrestling on till life was ended,
Following not the sinful throng;
These, who well the fight sustained,
Triumph through the Lamb have gained.

These are they whose hearts were riven,
Sore with woe and anguish tried,
Who in prayer full oft have striven
With the God they glorified;
Now, their painful conflict o'er,
God has bid them weep no more.

These like priests have watched and waited,
Offering up to Christ their will,
Soul and body consecrated,
Day and night to serve him still:
Now, in God's most holy place
Blest they stand before his face.

Music: Melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*
Darmstadt 1698 adapted by W. H. Monk 1823-89
Words: German, H. T. Schenck 1656-1827
Tr Frances Cox 1812-97

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

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Let us then run our race, laying aside every weight and bringing our sins to the Lord in penitence and faith.

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 neighbours 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.

All sit or kneel

The Collect of the day is said.

Let us pray (as we rejoice and keep festival in honour of all the Saints),

The congregation sits or kneels

God our Father, source of all holiness, the work of your hands is manifest in your saints, the beauty of your truth is reflected in their faith.

May we who aspire to have part in their joy be filled with the Spirit that blessed their lives, so that having shared their faith on earth we may also know their peace in your kingdom. **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

All sit for the Readings

THE WORD OF GOD

**The First Reading is taken from The Book of Revelation,
Chapter 7, beginning to read from the 2nd verse**

I, John, saw another angel come up from the East, holding the seal of the living God. He cried out in a loud voice to the four angels who were given power to damage the land and the sea, "Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." I heard the number of those who had been marked with the seal, one hundred and forty-four thousand marked from every tribe of the children of Israel.

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb."

All the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshiped God, and exclaimed: "Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, "Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?" I said to him, "My lord, you are the one who knows." He said to me, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb."

After the reading

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Psalm, **Psalm 24: 1-6**

Sung by the cantor alone, the congregation seated

1. The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is :
the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.
2. For he hath founded it upon the seas :
and prepared it upon the floods.
3. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord :
or who shall rise up in his holy place?
4. Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart :
and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity,
nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.
5. He shall receive the blessing from the Lord :
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
6. This is the generation of them that seek him :
even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

The **Second Reading is taken from the First Epistle of St John,**
Chapter 3, beginning at the 1st verse

Beloved:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure.

After the reading

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel

Sequence (SPONSA CHRISTI, *sung by the Cantor only*)

Spouse of Christ, whose earthly conflict
Here below doth never cease
Lift thy voice and tell the triumphs
Of the blessed ones at peace.

Joyful be this day of gladness,
Feat of all the saints on high;
Let our songs, 'mid heav'n's rejoicing,
Sound in sweetest harmony.

There, the ever Virgin mother,
Reunited with her Son.
Leads the praise of all the ransomed
Who that heav'nly realm have won.

There, the angels and archangels,
Circling round the throne on high
Hymn the Lord of all creation
In divinest minstrelsy.

John, the herald and forerunner
Heads the great prophetic throng,
While the Patriarchs in chorus
Join to swell the angels' song

Near to Christ, the Twelve apostles,
Chose, as foundation stones,
Now behold the city's splendour,
Seated on celestial thrones.

There the martyrs, robed in crimson,
Sign of lifeblood freely spent,
Now enjoy the life eternal
In the Saviour's love content.

Virgins, to the Lamb devoted,
Following in steadfast love,
Bring the bridal garlands with them
To the marriage feast above.

There confessors are rewarded
And each holy humble soul,
Who on earth left no memorial,
Now make up the saintly whole.

All the blest adore for ever
God's surpassing majesty,
Threefold anthems ever raising
To the all Holy Trinity.

In your heav'nly habitation,
That eternal home on high
Hear, ye saints our prayer and pleading
As to God we lift our cry.

By your heav'nly intercession
Help your fellow Christians here,
That in love of Christ our Saviour
We through grace may persevere.

So may God our Father grant us
Here to serve in holiness,
And at length by his good mercy
Share that heav'n which ye possess.

Music: Modes i and ii
Words: Editors and others, based on the Latin of
Jean Baptiste de Contes 1601-79

All stand to sing the sequence hymn

Sequence Hymn 224, sung to tune 178 (CARLISLE, *New English Hymnal*)

For all thy saints, O Lord,
Who strove in thee to live,
Who followed thee, obeyed, adored,
Our grateful hymn receive.

For all thy saints, O Lord,
Who strove in thee to die,
Who counted thee their great reward,
Accept our thankful cry

O Lord, thy name we bless,
And humbly pray that we
May follow them in holiness
Who lived and died in thee.

Thine earthly members fit
To join thy saints above,
In one communion ever knit,
One fellowship of love.

All praise to thee, O Lord,
The Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, God adored
While endless ages run.

Music: Charles Lockhart 1745-1815
Words: Richard Mant 1776-1848†

The Gospel Acclamation is sung

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew,
Chapter 5, beginning to read at the 1st 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.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

After the Gospel

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever. **Amen**

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 226, sung to tune 408i (BLAENWERN, *New English Hymnal*)

Hark! the sound of holy voices,
Chanting to the crystal sea,
Alleluya, Alleluya,
Alleluya, Lord, to thee:
Multitude, which none can number,
Like the stars in glory stands,
Clothed in white apparel, holding
Palms of victory in their hands.

Patriarch and holy prophet,
Who prepared the way of Christ,
King, apostle, saint, confessor,
Martyr and evangelist,
Saintly maiden, godly matron,
Widows who have watched to prayer,
Joined in holy concert, singing
To the Lord of all, are there.

They have come from tribulation,
And have washed their robes in blood,
Washed them in the blood of Jesus;
Tried they were, and firm they stood;
Gladly, Lord, with thee they suffered;
Gladly, Lord, with thee they died,
And by death to life immortal
They were born, and glorified.

Now they reign in heavenly glory,
Now they walk in golden light,
Now they drink, as from a river,
Holy bliss and infinite;
Love and peace they taste for ever,
And all truth and knowledge see
In the beatific vision
Of the blessed Trinity.

God of God, the One-begotten,
Light of light, Emmanuel,
In whose Body joined together
All the saints for ever dwell;
Pour upon them fullness,
That we may for evermore
God the Father, God the Son, and
God the Holy Ghost adore. Amen

Music: William Rowlands 1860-1937
Words: Christopher Wordsworth 1807-85†

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 prayer over the gifts is 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.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God. We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us. By his death on the cross and rising to new life, He offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people. And now we give you thanks because you have called us into the fellowship of all your saints, and set before us the example of their witness and the fruit of your Spirit in their lives.

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 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

God, the source of all holiness, may we who have shared this table as strangers and pilgrims on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast in your kingdom. **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.

God give you grace to follow all the saints in faith and hope and love; 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 420 (WOLVERCOTE, *New English Hymnal*)

O Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
Be thou for ever near me,
My Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
If thou are by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway
If thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking
In accents clear and still,
Above the storms of passion,
The murmurs of self-will;

O speak to reassure me,
To hasten or control;
O speak, and make me listen
Thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
To all who follow thee,
That where thou art in glory
There shall thy servant be;

And, Jesus, I have promised
To serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
My Master and my Friend.

O let me see thy footmarks,
And in them plant mine own;
My hope to follow duly
Is in thy strength alone;
O guide me, call me, draw me,
Uphold me to the end;
And then in heaven receive me,
My Saviour and my Friend.

Music: William H. Ferguson 1874-1950
Words: John Bode 1816-74

Music for All Saints' Day, 21 Trinity

Mass: Michael Dudman Parish Eucharist

Gospel Alleluia: Dr Brett McKern Missa Sancti Joannis

Communion motet: Dr Brett McKern Give us the wings of faith to rise

*Organ Postlude: Alexandre Guilmant Finale (Grand Chœur)
from Morceau de Concert*