

The People's Mass

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon (Cf. Ps 104:3-4)

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

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

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ...
And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

Brethren (brothers and sisters), ...

A brief pause for silence follows.

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into
the peace of God's kingdom.

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

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us
in holiness.

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

You will come in glory with salvation for
your people.

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

May almighty God have mercy on us, ... **Amen.**

Gloria

**Gloria 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.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING (Eccles (Sir) 35:12-14.16-19)

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

The Lord is a judge

who is no respecter of personages.

He shows no respect of personages to the

detriment of a poor man,

he listens to the plea of the injured party.

He does not ignore the orphan's supplication,
nor the widow's as she pours out her story.

The man who with his whole heart serves God will
be accepted,

his petitions will carry to the clouds.

The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds,

until it arrives he is inconsolable,

nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice
of him,

acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement.

And the Lord will not be slow,

nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 32:2-3.17-19.23)

℟ This poor man called; the Lord heard him.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **℟**
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The just call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress. **℟**
3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be
condemned. **℟**

SECOND READING (2 Tm 4:6-8.16-18)

A reading from the second letter of St Paul
to Timothy.

My life is already being poured away as a libation,
and the time has come for me to be gone. I have
fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race
to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to
come now is the crown of righteousness reserved
for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give
to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all
those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there
was not a single witness to support me. Every one
of them deserted me – may they not be held
accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and
gave me power, so that through me the whole
message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to
hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth.
The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on

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on the third day / 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. / I
believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, / who proceeds from the Father and the
Son, / who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified, / who has spoken through the
prophets. / I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church. / I confess one Baptism for
the forgiveness of sins / and I look forward to
the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the
world to come. **Amen.**

The priest introduces the Prayer of the Faithful.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), ...

**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.**

Eucharistic Prayer

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.

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. ...

After the Consecration

The mystery of faith.

**Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross
and Resurrection you have set us free.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

At the Saviour's command ...

Our Father, who art in heaven, ...

Deliver us, Lord, ...

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

Lord Jesus Christ, ... **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins ...

Showing the Eucharist to the people, the priest says:

Behold the Lamb of God, ...

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter
under my roof, but only say the word and my
soul shall be healed.**

Communion Antiphon (Cf. Ps 19:6)

**We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.**

me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom.
To him be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (2 Cor 5:19)

Alleluia, alleluia!

**God in Christ was reconciling the world to
himself, and he has entrusted to us the news
that they are reconciled.**

Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Lk 18:9-14)

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

 A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people
who prided themselves on being virtuous and
despised everyone else. 'Two men went up to the
Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax
collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this
prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not
grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of
mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax
collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all
I get." The tax collector stood some distance away,
not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he
beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me,
a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at
rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who
exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who
humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)

**I believe in one God, / the Father almighty, /
maker of heaven and earth, / of all things visible
and invisible. / I believe in one Lord Jesus
Christ, / the Only Begotten Son of God, / born of
the Father before all ages. / God from God,
Light from Light, / true God from true God, /
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the
Father; / through him all things were made. / For
us men and for our salvation / he came down
from heaven,**

*At the words that follow, up to and including
and became man, all bow.*

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary, / and became man. / For our sake
he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, / he
suffered death and was buried, / and rose again**