

Parish Communion

Priest In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen

Priest Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All and also with you.

HYMN

All sit or kneel

**All 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

Using these or similar words, the priest invites us to confess our sins before God.

Priest My brothers and sisters, as we prepare to celebrate
the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament,
let us call to mind and confess our sins.

**All Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against
you, through our own fault, in thought and word and deed,
and in what we have left undone. We are heartily sorry, and
repent of all our sins. For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's
sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve
you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The Kyrie Eleison may be used:

Priest Lord have mercy (Kyrie eleison)

All Lord, have mercy (Kyrie eleison)

Priest Christ have mercy (Christe eleison)

All Christ, have mercy (Christe eleison)

Priest Lord have mercy (Kyrie eleison)

All Lord, have mercy (Kyrie eleison)

Priest Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy
upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm
and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

or the Prayers of Penitence may take this form, using these or similar words:

Priest Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness
and cleanse me from my sin. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Priest Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me. Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Priest Cast me not away from your presence
and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Priest May almighty God have mercy upon us,
forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

All Amen.

THE GLORIA, all standing

**All 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.**

or

Glory be to God in heaven,
Peace to those who love him well;
On the earth let all his people
Speak his grace, his wonders tell:
Lord, we praise you for your glory,
Mighty Father, heaven's king;
Hear our joyful adoration
And accept the thanks we bring.

Only Son of God the Father,
Lamb who takes our sin away,
Now, with him in triumph seated,
For your mercy, Lord, we pray:
Jesus Christ, most high and holy,
Saviour, you are God alone
In the glory of the Father,
With the Spirit, Three-in-One!

All sit or kneel

THE COLLECT

The collect for the day is said

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All sit

One or two readings from Scripture precede the Gospel reading.

Reader This is the Word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God.

HYMN

The Gospel reading

All stand

An acclamation may herald the Gospel reading

Reader Alleluia, alleluia. I am the light of the world, says the Lord.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness
but will have the light of life.

All Alleluia

or

Reader Alleluia, alleluia. We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

All Alleluia

Reader Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

All Glory to you, O Lord

At the end

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

THE CREED

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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who 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 INTERCESSION

All sit or kneel

The prayers usually include these concerns, and may follow this sequence:

The Church of Christ

The Creation, human society, and those in authority

The local community

Those who suffer

The communion of saints

The responses sometimes used are:

Leader Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

or

Leader Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

and at the end:

Leader Merciful Father

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

All stand

Priest Christ is our peace.
He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

or

We are the body of Christ.
In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Priest Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

A HYMN is sung, during which the collection is taken

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Offertory prayers

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

All Blessed be God for ever.

Priest Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation:
through your goodness we have this wine to set before you,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us the cup of salvation.

All Blessed be God for ever.

or this form may be used:

Priest Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

All All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

All stand

Priest The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Priest Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation;
to you be glory and praise for ever.
From the beginning you have created all things
and all your works echo the silent music of your praise.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image,
the crown of all creation.
You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels
and all the powers of heaven
we may find a voice to sing your praise:

**All 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.**

Priest How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.
As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a
people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled, your
love remained steadfast. From them you raised up Jesus our
Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our
hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners,
and with a love stronger than death
he opened wide his arms on the cross.
On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends,
and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.
He broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

One of these acclamations is used

Great is the mystery of faith:	Jesus Christ is Lord:
Christ has died:	Lord, by your cross and
Christ is risen:	resurrection you have set us free.
Christ will come again.	You are the Saviour of the world.

Priest Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for
all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory,
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.
Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you
these gifts of your creation;
may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,
form us in the likeness of Christ,
and build us into a living temple to your glory.
Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.
Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

Bring us at the last with [*N and*] all the saints to the vision of
that eternal splendour for which you have created us;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
by whom, with whom, and in whom,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty,
in songs of everlasting praise.

**All Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

All sit or kneel

The Lord's Prayer

<i>Priest</i> Let us pray with confidence to the Father as our Saviour has taught us.	As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray
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All 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. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.	Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen
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The Breaking of the Bread

Priest We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.

or

Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sin of the world:
have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away
the sin of the world:
grant us peace.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.

Priest Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Giving of Communion

We welcome those from other denominations to receive Communion with us. If you do not want to receive Communion, please come to the altar rail to receive a blessing, and bring this book with you as a sign to the priest.

Priest The body (the blood) of Christ.

Communicant Amen

After the distribution, a hymn or anthem may be sung.

Prayer after Communion

All sit or kneel.

The priest says the Post Communion prayer

All We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste
of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest May God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water welling up to eternal life,
perfect in you the image of his glory,
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Welcome to this service of Holy Communion

We are pleased that you are joining us in worship. If you are a visitor or newcomer to our Church please feel free to make yourself known to other members of the congregation, and to the priest, after the service. We hope you will stay and join us for tea and coffee which we have after many of our services. We welcome all ages to our service, and there are materials for children. Please do ask.

If you have been baptised in any denomination you are welcome to receive Communion. If you find walking difficult you can receive Communion in your seat – please speak to the person at the door before the service to let them know. If you do not wish to receive Communion, you are invited to come to the altar rail to receive a blessing – please bring this book with you as a sign to the priest.

The Eucharist (which means ‘Thanksgiving’) is also called ‘Holy Communion’, ‘The Lord’s Supper’ or ‘The Mass’. It is central to the mystery of the Church. Within this service we listen as God speaks to us through the Bible; we are then invited to respond by offering ourselves as God comes close to us in bread and wine. In prayer and worship we are drawn into God’s holy presence and our hearts and minds are lifted up.

Before the service begins, it is important that we prepare ourselves for our encounter with God. We can do this by spending a little time in stillness and silence to allow God’s presence to be with us. This helps us to recognise the times when we have known God’s closeness, and the times when we have turned away from Him. It also helps us to think of the people and concerns we intend to bring to God in our prayers.