ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH

Holetown, St. James, Barbados

TO BE A BEACON RADIATING GOD'S LOVE AMONG ALL PEOPLE



Holy Eucharist

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Concerning the Celebration

The President or Celebrant at the Celebration of the Eucharist shall be a duly ordained Priest or Bishop of the Anglican Communion.

It is the bishop's prerogative, when present, to be the principal celebrant at the Lord's Table, and to preach the Gospel.

At all celebrations of the Liturgy, it is fitting that the principal celebrant, whether bishop or priest, be assisted by other priests, and by deacons and lay persons.

It is appropriate that the other priests present stand with the celebrant at the Altar, and join in the consecration of the gifts, in breaking the Bread, and in distributing Communion.

A deacon should read the Gospel and may lead The Prayers. Deacons should also serve at the Altar, preparing and placing on it the offerings of bread and wine, and assisting in the ministration of the Sacrament to the people. In the absence of a deacon, these duties may be performed by an assisting priest or, with the permission of the bishop, by a duly accredited lay person.

Lay persons appointed by the celebrant should normally be assigned the reading of the Lessons which precede the Gospel, and may lead The Prayers.

Morning or Evening Prayer may be used in place of all that precedes the Greeting of Peace, provided that a lesson from the Gospel is always included, and that the intercessions conform to the directions given for The Prayers.

When the services of a priest cannot be obtained, the bishop may, at discretion, authorize a deacon to distribute Holy Communion to the congregation from the reserved Sacrament in the following manner:

1. The Liturgy of the Word is said up to the Confession, after which the following Prayer is substituted for The Absolution:

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** Then follows the Greeting of Peace (and the receiving of the people's offering). The deacon reverently places the consecrated Sacrament on the Altar, during which time a communion hymn may be sung.

2. The Lord's Prayer is then said, the deacon first saying, "Let us pray in the words our Saviour Christ has taught us."

3. And then, omitting the breaking of the Bread, the deacon proceeds with what follows in the liturgy as far as the end of the post communion prayer, and then dismisses the people.

It is desirable that the Lessons be read from a lectern or pulpit, and that the Gospel be read from the same lectern or from the pulpit, or from the midst of the congregation. it is desirable that the Lessons and Gospel be read from a book or books of appropriate size and dignity.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION

At the entry of the Ministers a psalm, canticle or hymn may be sung.

OPENING SENTENCES

The President greets the congregation with one of the following:

SEASONAL

Advent

Jesus says, surely, I am coming soon! Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! *Revelation* 22:20

Christmas

Alleluia. When the fullness of time was come, God sent His son, born of a woman, so that we might become His children. Alleluia. *Galatians 4:4*

Epiphany

God chose to make known how great among the nations are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. *Colossians* 1:27

Lent

Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us

and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:1,2*

Passiontide

Jesus emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. *Philippians 2:7,8*

Easter

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed. Come let us adore Him. Alleluia.

Ascension

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14,16

Pentecost

When the Spirit comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness to Me; and you also are witnesses, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

John 15: 26, 27

Whitsun

When the Spirit comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness to me; and you also are witnesses, because you have been with me from the beginning. *John* 15:26.27

Trinity Sunday

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. *Romans* 11:33,36

Major Saints Days

His gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the equipment of the saints, for the work of ministry, for the building up of the body of Christ. *Ephesians 4:11,12*

All Souls and Memorials

I am sure that neither death nor life, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8: 38,39

Harvest Festival

You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty. *Psalm 65:12*

Dedication Festival

Behold, the dwelling of God is with men. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them. *Revelation 21:3*

GENERAL

Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord. *Psalm 27:7*

I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the Name of the Lord. I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. *Psalm 116:15,16*

Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion. *Psalm* 116:4

I was glad when they said to me, Let us go to the house of the Lord. *Psalm* 122:1

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth. *John 4:24*

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him. *Psalm 96:9*

- PRESIDENT: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- ALL: And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Alleluia may be omitted during the week days of Lent.

The following may be said by the President and people:

ALL

Blessed Lord and Father, we have assembled in your name and in fellowship with one another. Enable us by your grace to offer the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; to proclaim and respond to your holy word. Teach us to pray for your world and your Church. Grant that we, confessing our sins, may worthily offer to you our souls and bodies as a living sacrifice and eat and drink of your spiritual food in this Holy Sacrament. Amen.

The following may also be said:

COLLECT FOR PURITY

ALL

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

Here may follow:

THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

In place of the above form, the Ninefold or the Threefold Kyrie may be said or sung.

Here may follow:

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 shall be said or sung by the President.

PRESIDENT: Let us pray.

At the end of the collect the people respond:

Amen. THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A Reading from the Old Testament or The Apocrypha

| READER: | A reading from the Word of God |
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| | written in |

At the end of the reading:

READER: The Word of the Lord.

or Here ends the reading.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

A psalm, hymn or canticle may be sung.

A Reading from the New Testament

READER: A reading from the Word of God written in _____

At the end of the reading:

READER: The Word of the Lord.

or Here ends the reading.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

A psalm, hymn or canticle may be sung.

A Reading from the Gospel

| READER: | The Lord be with you. |
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| ALL: | And also with you. |
| READER: | A Reading from the Holy Gospel |
| | according to |
| ALL: | Glory to Christ our Saviour. |

At the end of the reading:

| READER: | The Gospel of Christ. |
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| ALL: | Praise to Christ our Lord. |

THE SERMON

Here may follow the Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen or 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, one in 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 was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfilment of 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.
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 APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead.

> On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Intercession

The prayers of the Church are offered in one of the following forms, the Leader to indicate the form of Intercession and appropriate directions to be used.

FORM A

Extempore prayers may be offered, but shall include prayers for the world, the Church and the local community.

FORM B

| LEADER: ALL: | Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one. |
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| LEADER: | Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; |
| ALL: | That your Name may be glorified by all people. |
| LEADER: ALL: | We pray for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments. |
| LEADER: | We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; |
| ALL: | That there may be justice and peace on the earth. |
| LEADER: ALL: | Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favour in your sight. |
| LEADER: | Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; |
| ALL: | That they may be delivered from their distress. |
| LEADER: ALL: | Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them. |
| LEADER: ALL: | We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom. |
| LEADER: | Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. |

Silence may be kept.

ALL

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords to your will; and the good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The Act of Penitence follows

FORM C

LEADER

With all our heart and all our mind let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

LEADER

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the peace and welfare of the world, for the witness and work of the Church, and for the unity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For our Bishops and all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may be filled with truth and love and be found without fault at the Lord's coming:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the leaders of the nations and for those in authority among us, that they may serve justice and promote the freedom and dignity of all peoples:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression, and for all who labour in the cause of human liberation and fulfilment:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For the sick, the suffering, the sorrowful, and the dying; and for all who

remember and care for them:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For deliverance from the ravages of hurricane, earthquake, drought or flood, and for a just and proper use of God's creation:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

For ourselves and all who confess the name of Christ, that we may show forth the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvellous light:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

LEADER

That with all His servants who have served Him here and are now at rest we may enter into the fullness of His unending joy:

Let us pray to the Lord.

ALL: Lord, have mercy.

Silence may be kept.

ALL

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people in the multitude of your mercies. Look with compassion on us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious O Lord of love, and to you we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

The Act of Penitence follows

FORM D

LEADER

Our Heavenly Father has promised through our Lord Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith. Let us therefore pray for the Church and the World, and let us thank God for His goodness.

Silence may be kept.

LEADER

We pray for the Church of God in every place; especially for this Diocese, our Bishop ______ and all the people of God.

ALL

Strengthen your Church to carry forward the work of Christ; that we and all who confess your Name may unite in truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory to the world.

LEADER

We pray for our country and for all the nations of the world, especially _____; and for all peoples in their various callings.

ALL

Direct this nation and all nations in the ways of justice and truth. Give wisdom to all in positions of public trust and authority; that they may promote the prosperity, godliness and peace of your people everywhere.

LEADER

We pray for our own community, for this parish, for our families, friends, and all who live and work with us.

ALL

Give grace to all our friends and neighbours in Christ, that we may serve Him in one another and grow together in His love.

LEADER

We pray for the poor, the sick, the unemployed, the handicapped; all who have requested our prayers and all who seek the prayers of the Church in their time of trouble.

ALL

Give healing and strength to all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and sustain all who remember and care for them.

LEADER

We commemorate the departed, especially _____

ALL

We commend all people to your unfailing love, that in them your will may be fulfilled; and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may share with them in your eternal kingdom. Silence may be kept.

LEADER

Accept these prayers, O Lord our God, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

ALL Amen.

The Act of Penitence follows

FORM E

LEADER

Let us pray for the fellowship of the Church of Christ, and for all God's creatures.

LEADER

With all who confess the name of Jesus, as Lord and Saviour, we offer our prayers and praises, in Spirit and in truth.

Father in Heaven,

Hear our prayer.

LEADER

ALL:

With Jesus Christ, our Great High Priest, who ever lives to intercede for us, we uphold all ministers of God's Word and Sacraments, that they may fulfill their high calling in the faith.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

We pray for the unfailing guidance of the Holy Spirit on those who are called to interpret and expound the will of the Lord to others.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

We pray for all organizations, within the fellowship of the Body of Christ, that their work may edify the people of God, and bear faithful witness to the Gospel.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

We pray for all persons who do not share our confession of faith, that with courage, truth and love we may work together with them, and promote the common good.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

For the leaders of our country, and all who make decisions on our behalf, that they may be guided by the Spirit, to direct our affairs in righteousness and peace.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

For our Judges, Magistrates and all who administer justice, that in all things they may seek to do your will, and to protect the rights and freedom of your people. Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

In our schools, and in all other places of learning, may true knowledge, sound wisdom, and godly discipline ever be found.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

To the poor, the hungry, the unemployed, and all victims of persecution and discrimination of any kind, may God in Christ help us all to bring relief, justice and protection.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

To all who suffer now from pain and disease, discomfort or misery, may God in Christ bring healing and joy, for the renewal of their faith.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

That we may use aright the fullness of the Earth, that our pursuits in science, and the advancement of our skills, may ever be in service of that true humanity, which is created in the image of God. Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

That we may never become slaves of money, or of the lust for power, but may rather strive for victory through the power of love.

Father in Heaven.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

That with all who belong to the communion of saints, both living and departed, we may ever rejoice in the blessed assurance of that hope, which has been won for us in Christ.

Father in Heaven.

ALL:Receive these our prayers in the name of your dear Son,
Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Act of Penitence follows

FORM F

After the Priest's invitation to prayer, he shall say:

Let us pray for the Church and for all men according to their needs. Lord in your love.

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER

Bless and inspire all members of the clergy, especially _____, our Archbishop; _____, our Bishop; and _____, our Priest (s).

ALL

That their lives may be examples of their teaching, and that they may rightly and faithfully administer your holy Sacraments.

LEADER

Guide and protect all Heads of State and all who bear rule, especially those in this land: our (President), the Prime Minister, and all members of Parliament.

ALL

That our people may be godly and peacefully governed.

LEADER

Direct those who administer justice; and strengthen those who guard and protect the land.

ALL

That our people may dwell in peace.

LEADER

Reveal the common good to those in positions of public trust and to decisionmakers in industry and commerce.

ALL

That freedom and dignity may prevail among us.

LEADER

Enlighten with your Spirit all places of education and learning.

ALL

That the whole world may be filled with the knowledge of your truth.

LEADER

Comfort and help _____, and all others in any trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

ALL Help us to help them, O Lord.

LEADER

Remember our brothers and sisters, (especially _____, and all others) who have died in your faith and fear.

ALL

Grant them peace and eternal life.

LEADER

We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour; for the holy Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles and Martyrs; and all the Saints who have been good examples in their several generations.

PRIEST

And finally let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

A period of silence may be kept.

PRIEST

Accept our prayers and intercessions, Father, according to your wisdom, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ.

The Act of Penitence follows

FORM G

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the people offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

LEADER

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop ______ for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

LEADER

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the wellbeing of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

LEADER

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

LEADER

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

LEADER

I ask your prayers for the departed (especially _____). Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present.

I ask your prayers for _____. I ask your thanksgiving for _____.

Silence

LEADER Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honoured (especially ______ whom we remember today). Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

The President adds a concluding Collect.

The Act of Penitence follows

FORM H

LEADER Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

| LEADER | Lord, in your mercy |
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| ALL | Hear our prayer. |

LEADER

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

Silence

| LEADER | Lord, in your mercy |
|--------|---------------------|
| ALL | Hear our prayer. |

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LEADER

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honour and glory.

Silence

| LEADER | Lord, in your mercy |
|--------|---------------------|
| ALL | Hear our prayer. |

LEADER

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

| LEADER | Lord, in your mercy |
|--------|---------------------|
| ALL | Hear our prayer. |

LEADER

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

| LEADER | Lord, in your mercy |
|--------|---------------------|
| ALL | Hear our prayer. |

LEADER

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

LEADERLord, in your mercyALLHear our prayer.

The President adds a concluding Collect.

PENITENCE

The President shall introduce the Act of Penitence.

PRESIDENT

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

A period of silence shall be kept.

PRESIDENT: Let us therefore confess our sins.

ALL

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are 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.

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT

Almighty God, 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.

ALL Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

One of the following forms shall be said:

Form A

PRESIDENT

We are the body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

Form B

PRESIDENT

If your are offering your gift at the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,

ALL

Leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Form C

PRESIDENT

The Kingdom of God is justice, peace, and joy, inspired by the Holy Spirit.

ALL

They who thus serve Christ are acceptable to God and approved by others.

The President shall then greet the congregation.

| PRESIDENT | The peace of the Lord be always with you. |
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| ALL | And also with you. |

The President and people shall exchange the Peace.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS

When the offerings are presented at the altar, either `A' or `B' shall be said:

A

PRESIDENT

Through your goodness, Lord, we have this bread and wine to offer, the fruit of the earth and the work of human hands. They will become our spiritual food.

ALL

All things come from you, O Lord, and of your own do we give you,. Blessed be God for ever. Amen.

B

PRESIDENT Father,

ALL

We offer to you these gifts which you have given us; this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become

through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The President shall indicate which form of the Eucharistic Prayer including Proper Prefaces shall be used.

| PRESIDENT | The Lord be with you. |
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| ALL | And also with you. |
| PRESIDENT | Lift up your hearts. |
| ALL | We lift them up to the Lord. |
| PRESIDENT | Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. |
| ALL | It is right to give him thanks and praise. |

PRESIDENT

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father Almighty, everlasting God:

The Proper Preface shall follow:

PROPER PREFACES

Advent

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in Him of eternal life; that when He shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold His appearing.

Christmas

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man ol the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Epiphany

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because in coming to dwell among as man, He revealed the radiance of His glory, and brought us out of darkness into His own marvellous light.

Lent

For you bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you.

Holy Week

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins He was lifted high upon the cross, that He might draw the whole world to Himself; and, by His suffering and death, He became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in Him.

Easter

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for He is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By His death He has destroyed death, and by His rising to life again He has won for, us eternal life.

Ascension

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After His glorious resurrection He openly appeared to His disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where He is, there we might also be, and reign with Him in glory.

Pentecost

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfilment of His true promise, the Holy Spirit came down (on this day) from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Trinity Sunday

For in the mystery of Your Godhead, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, You have revealed Your glory; three Persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendour, yet one Lord, one God, ever to be worshipped and glorified.

Our Lady

For in your matchless wisdom you chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of our Saviour Jesus Christ, your only begotten Son, who shares your eternal splendour; and in her, you have given your Church an example of selfless devotion to you in generous love.

Saints' Day

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For in the saints you have given us an example of godly living; that rejoicing in their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, and with them receive the crown of glory.

Harvest Festival

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Word active in creation, who dwelling among us Himself rejoiced in the beauty of the earth; giving thanks to you for the fruits of harvest and the fishes of the sea; and through His own work hallowing all human service.

Commemoration of the Dead

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of life eternal. For to your Faithful people, 0 Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Christian Initiation

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Marriage

Because wife and husband, sharing together in your grace, which gives life, bear witness, through mutual love and commitment one to the other, to the bond of love between Christ and His Church.

Ordinations (and feasts of Apostles)

Through the great Shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after His resurrection sent forth His apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages.

Dedication Festival

For your blessings on this house of prayer, where we are stirred to faithful witness, and are built by your Spirit into a temple made without hands, even the Body of your Son, Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Day

Because on this most glorious day, a triple light was given. On the first day of creation you brought light and life into being. On the first day, for our salvation, you raised your Son victorious over death; and on this day you gave your Holy and lifegiving Spirit to your church.

Common Preface

Of God the Father

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Of God the Son

through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Of God the Holy Spirit

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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. One of the forms A, B, C or D shall now be used.

A

PRESIDENT All Holy and glorious Father, our Creator God, we give you thanks because in your loving wisdom you brought all things into being, and are truly worthy of praise from every creature you have made.

Again and again we have turned away from you; yet in every age your steadfast love has called us to return, to live in union with you: for it is your eternal purpose to put new life into all things and make them holy.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ who took our human nature upon Him you have redeemed the world from the bondage of sin: and by the power of your Holy Spirit you have gathered a people to yourself, to make known in every place His perfect offering which He made to the glory of your Name.

Hear us, therefore, Father, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; And grant that these gifts of bread and wine may be unto us His Body and Blood.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to his disciples and said: "Take this, and eat it: "This is my Body which is given for you. "Do this for the remembrance of me." And after supper He took the cup of wine: and when He had given thanks, he gave it to them 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. "Whenever you drink it, "do this for the remembrance of me."

PRESIDENT

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

One of the following Acclamations shall be said:

ALL Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

or Jesus is Lord. He has reconciled us to himself: Christ makes all things new.

or Christ is Lord. Through His death we were made children of God: He is our hope of glory.

PRESIDENT And so, Heavenly Father, rejoicing in His Holy Incarnation; His Blessed Passion and His Perfect Sacrifice made once for all upon the Cross; His Mighty Resurrection from the dead; His Glorious Ascension into heaven; and looking for His Coming in glory; we offer to you this Bread and this Cup.

We pray that you will accept this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and grant that all who eat and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son, our great High Priest, may be renewed by your Holy Spirit, and be one Body, one Spirit, in Him.

Let faith and love unite in us. Unite us with all Bishops, all other ministers of your Word and Sacraments, and with the whole people of God, living and departed, whom you have made for yourself.

Confirm us in holiness, that we may be found ready to join the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Apostles, and all your saints, when our Lord Jesus Christ comes again: Forever giving you thanks and praise through Him from whom all good things do come.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL

Blessing and honour and glory and power Be yours forever and ever. Amen.

B

PRESIDENT

Holy and gracious Father, all creation rightly gives you praise. All life, all holiness, comes from you through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, whom you sent to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

We therefore bring you these gifts, and we ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who offered Himself in obedience to your will, the Perfect Sacrifice for all mankind.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to his disciples and said: "Take this and eat it: "This is my Body which is given for you. "Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine and when he had given thanks He gave it to them 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, whenever you drink it, "For the remembrance of me."

One of the following Acclamations shall be said:

ALL

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim the death of Christ until he comes again.

or Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

or Christ Jesus is Lord. He has set us free from the law of sin and death: In his name alone is our salvation.

PRESIDENT Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation; His Glorious Resurrection and Ascension; His continual intercession for us in heaven; and looking for His coming again in glory, we offer you, in thanksgiving, this holy and life-giving sacrifice.

Look with favour on your Church's offering, and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts may be filled with your Holy Spirit and become one body in Christ, and serve you in unity, constancy and peace.

May He make us a perpetual offering to you and enable us, in communion with blessed Mary and the whole company of heaven, to share in the inheritance of your saints.

With Him, and in Him, and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven in songs of everlasting praise:

ALL Blessing and honour and glory and power Be yours forever and ever. Amen.

С

PRESIDENT

We give thanks to you Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you; this is my body of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

PRESIDENT

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

ALL

We remember his death We proclaim his resurrection we await his coming in glory.

PRESIDENT

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and eve.

PEOPLE Amen.

D

All glory, praise and thanksgiving be unto you, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, you created the world and all mankind, and of your tender mercy gave your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon Him, and to suffer death upon the cross, for our redemption, He made there, by His own oblation of Himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and He instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of His precious death, until His coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech you; and be pleased to accept, bless and sanctify these gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that they may be for us the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

For, on the night He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: 'Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you, Do this for the remembrance of me.'

And after supper He took the cup of wine: and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.'

PRESIDENT

In faith we acclaim You, O Christ

ALL Dying You destroyed our death; Rising You restored our life; Christ Jesus, come in glory.

Now therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we your servants with all your holy people, having in remembrance the blessed passion, mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension of your beloved Son, do offer unto your Divine Majesty this Bread of eternal life and this Cup of everlasting salvation, rendering thanks to you for the wonderful redemption which you have made possible for us in Him.

And we beseech you O Father, to accept upon your heavenly altar, this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; and to grant that by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in His blood, we and all your whole Church may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of His passion.

And we pray that by the power of your Holy Spirit all who shall be partakers of this holy Communion may be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be numbered in the glorious company of your Saints.

And here we offer and present unto you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice.

And although we are unworthy to offer unto you any sacrifice, yet we beseech you to accept this, our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offences;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto you, O Father Almighty, throughout all ages, world without end.

PEOPLE

Amen

Е

PRESIDENT Soveriegn, Lord and Father To you be glory and praise for ever In your boundless wisdom you brought creation into being; In your great love you fashioned us in your image; In your tender compassion you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, Our Saviour, to share our human nature; In the power of the Holy Spirit; He overcame the power of sin and death and brought your people to new birth as first fruits of your new creation.

On the night that He was betrayed He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take this, and eat it: This is my Body which is given for you, Do this for the remembrance of me"

And after supper He took the cup of wine: and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

PRESIDENT There, Father, according to the command of your dearly beloved Son

ALL We remember His Death

PRESIDENT

And we offer you, Father, our sacrifice of thanks and praise. Send your Holy Spirit on these gifts of Bread and wine that they may become the Body and Blood of you Son, Jesus, our Lord, and Redeemer. As we partake of this holy food of new and unending life, may your Holy Spirit establish us as a royal priesthood with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Nand all your sons and daughters who share in your eternal inheritance; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, With Him and in Him and through Him. by the power of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven. in songs of everlasting praise.

All

Blessing and honour and glory and power Be yours forever and ever. Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESIDENT

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

ALL

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

PRESIDENT

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.

The Agnus Dei may follow here.

THE COMMUNION

The Invitation

One of the following forms shall be used:

Form A

PRESIDENT

My brothers and sisters in Christ, draw near and receive His Body which He gave for you, and His Blood, which He shed for you. Remember that He died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ALL

Grant us, gracious Lord, that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son, Jesus Christ and drink His blood, that we may evermore dwell in Him and He in us. Amen.

Form B

PRESIDENT

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

ALL

Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise

to Him.

Form C

PRESIDENT

Draw near and receive the Body and blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ with faith and thanksgiving.

ALL

We do not presume to come to this your table, most merciful Father, trusting in our own righteousness, but only in your boundless mercy. We are not even worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the Lord ever the same, ever merciful. Grant therefore Lord of grace and love that we may so eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and drink his blood that with bodies and souls made clean from every stain of sin we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.

The Agnus Dei may follow here.

Either

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

Or

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

During the administration, the Ministers say to each communicant:

The Body of Christ given for you. The Blood of Christ shed for you.

and the communicant replies, each time:

Amen.

Post Communion

Either

ALL

Almighty Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. May we who share His Body live His risen life; we who drink His cup bring life to others; we upon whom your Spirit shines give light to the world. Help us to continue in faithful witness to your Word, so we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your Name, through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Or

Eternal God and Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you and our fellow men with gladness and singleness of heart, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

DISMISSAL

The President (or the Bishop, if present) may say the Blessing or a Seasonal Blessing:

The Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

ALL: Amen.

Seasonal Blessings

Advent

Christ the Son of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing.....

or

The Son of Righteousness shine upon you, gladden your hearts, and scatter the darkness from before you; and the blessing....

Christmas

Christ, who by His incarnation gathered into one, all things earthly and heavenly, fill you with His joy and peace; and the blessing... \Box

or

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary, fill you with His grace to trust His promises and obey His will; and the blessing... ...

or

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with the good news of His kingdom; and the blessing....

Epiphany

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with good news of His kingdom; and the blessing...

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow Him; and the blessing...

Holy Week

Christ crucified draw you to Himself, to find in Him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing...

Easter Day to Eve of Ascension

The God of peace, Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in His sight; and the blessing...

or

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do His will; and the blessing...

or

God the Father, by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead, strengthen you to walk with Him in His risen life; and the blessing...

or

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory, give you joy and peace in your faith; and the blessing...

or

God raise you from the death of sin to walk with Christ in His risen life; and the blessing...

Ascension to Eve of Pentecost

Christ our King, make you faithful and strong to do His will, that you may reign with Him in glory; and the blessing...

Pentecost

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the word and works of God; and the blessing...

Trinity Sunday

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing...

Saints' Days

God give you grace to follow His Saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing....:

or

God give you grace to follow His Saints in faith and truth and gentleness; and the blessing...

or

God give you grace to share the inheritance of His Saints in glory; and the blessing...

Unity

Christ the Good Shepherd, who laid down. His life for the sheep, draw you and all who hear His voice to be one within one fold; and the blessing...

Notices and Banns may be given. A hymn may be sung.

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord. ALL In the name of Christ. Amen.



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