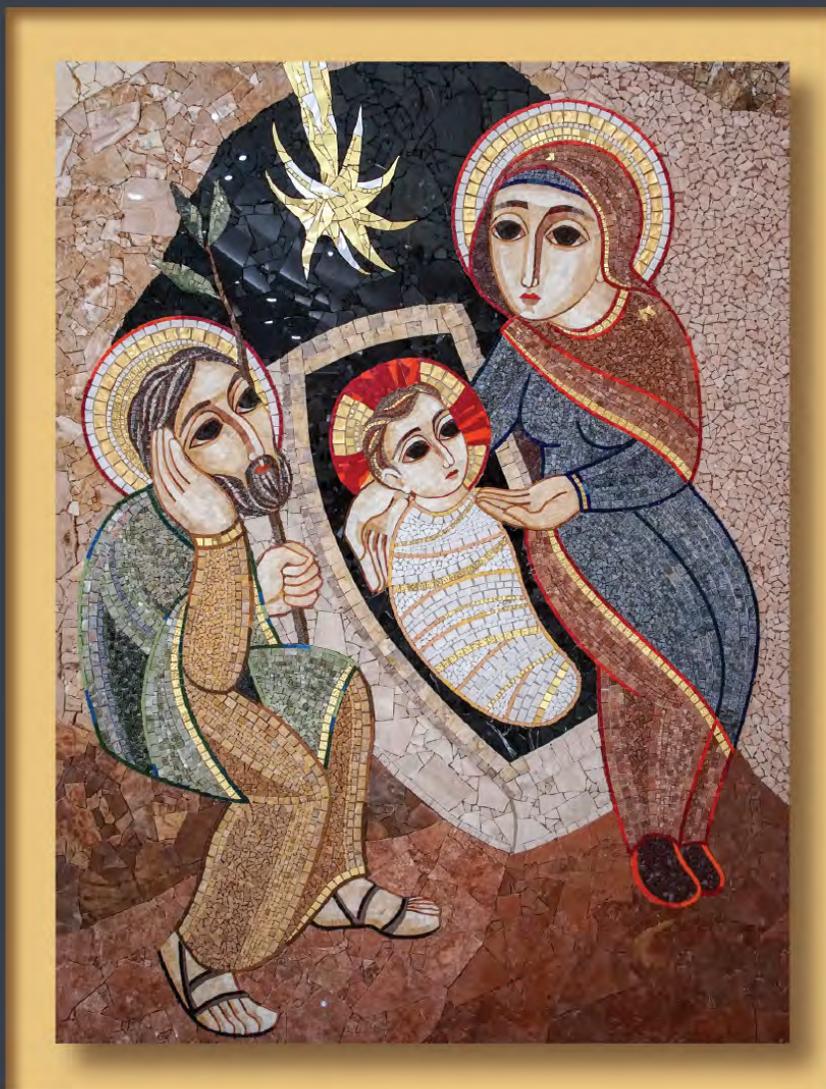


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WITH DAILY READINGS

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# THE ORDER OF MASS



At the Eucharist, the Church comes together to hear the Word of the Lord, to pray for the world's needs, to offer the sacrifice of the Cross in praise and thanks to God, to receive Christ Jesus in Communion, and then to be sent forth in the Spirit as disciples of the Gospel. Through the experience of these sacred mysteries in the liturgy, the "summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed," the people of God are renewed and given new strength to live out the Christian faith daily (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, no. 10). In the Order of Mass, song numbers given in *Today's Missal* match their accompaniment numbers in the accompaniment books.

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

As the Church gathers, "the faithful, who come together as one, establish communion and dispose themselves properly to listen to the Word of God and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily" (GIRM, no. 46).

### ENTRANCE CHANT

STAND

*A processional chant or hymn may be sung.*

### NOVEMBER 28 • *First Sunday of Advent*

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted;  
let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me;  
and let none who hope in you be put to shame. *cf. Psalm 25 (24):1-3*

### DECEMBER 5 • *Second Sunday of Advent*

O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations,  
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard  
in the joy of your heart. *cf. Isaiah 30:19, 30*

### DECEMBER 8 • *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary* *(Patronal Feastday of the United States of America)*

I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul;  
for he has clothed me with a robe of salvation, and wrapped  
me in a mantle of justice, like a bride adorned with her jewels. *Isaiah 61:10*

**DECEMBER • *Our Lady of Guadalupe***

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun,  
with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

*Revelation 12:1*

**DECEMBER 12 • *Third Sunday of Advent***

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.  
Indeed, the Lord is near.

*Philippians 4:4-5*

**DECEMBER 19 • *Fourth Sunday of Advent***

Drop down dew from above, you heavens,  
and let the clouds rain down the Just One;  
let the earth be opened and bring forth a Savior.

*cf. Isaiah 45:8*

**DECEMBER 24 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Vigil Mass***

Today you will know that the Lord will come, and he will save us,  
and in the morning you will see his glory.

*cf. Exodus 16:6-7*

**DECEMBER 25 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Mass during the Night***

The Lord said to me: You are my Son.  
It is I who have begotten you this day.

*Psalms 2:7*

*Or*

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, for our Savior has been born in the world.  
Today true peace has come down to us from heaven.

**DECEMBER 25 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Mass at Dawn***

Today a light will shine upon us, for the Lord is born for us;  
and he will be called Wondrous God,  
Prince of peace, Father of future ages:  
and his reign will be without end.

*cf. Isaiah 9:1, 5; Luke 1:33*

**DECEMBER 25 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Mass during the Day***

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us;  
his scepter of power rests upon his shoulder,  
and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

*cf. Isaiah 9:5*

**DECEMBER 26 • *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph***

The shepherds went in haste,  
and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

*Luke 2:16*

**JANUARY 1 • *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God***

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King  
who rules heaven and earth for ever.

*Or*

Today a light will shine upon us, for the Lord is born for us;  
and he will be called Wondrous God,  
Prince of peace, Father of future ages:  
and his reign will be without end.

*cf. Isaiah 9:1, 5; Luke 1:33*

**JANUARY 1 • *The Epiphany of the Lord: At the Vigil Mass***

Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East  
and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

*cf. Baruch 5:5*

**JANUARY 2 • *The Epiphany of the Lord: At the Mass during the Day***

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come; and kingship is in his grasp,  
and power and dominion.

*cf. Malachi 3:1; 1 Chronicles 29:12*

**JANUARY 9 • *The Baptism of the Lord***

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened,  
and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove,  
and the voice of the Father thundered:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. *cf. Matthew 3:16–17*

**JANUARY 16 • *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time***

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,  
and shall sing to you,  
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

*Psalms 66 (65):4*

**JANUARY 23 • *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time***

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
In his presence are majesty and splendor,  
strength and honor in his holy place.

*cf. Psalm 96 (95):1, 6*

**JANUARY 30 • *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations,  
to give thanks to your holy name,  
and make it our glory to praise you.

*Psalms 106 (105):47*

**FEBRUARY 6 • *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us,  
for he is the Lord our God.

*Psalms 95 (94):6–7*

**FEBRUARY 13 • *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me.  
For you are my rock, my stronghold!  
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

*cf. Psalm 31 (30):3–4*

**FEBRUARY 20 • Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.  
My heart will rejoice in your salvation.  
I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me. *Psalm 13 (12):6*

**FEBRUARY 27 • Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me. *cf. Psalm 18 (17):19–20*

**MARCH 2 • Ash Wednesday**

You are merciful to all, O Lord, and despise nothing that you have made.  
You overlook people's sins, to bring them to repentance,  
and you spare them, for you are the Lord our God. *Wisdom 11:24, 25, 27*

**MARCH 6 • First Sunday of Lent**

When he calls on me, I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him glory,  
I will grant him length of days. *cf. Psalm 91 (90):15–16*

**MARCH 13 • Second Sunday of Lent**

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord,  
that I seek; hide not your face from me. *cf. Psalm 27 (26):8–9*

*Or*

Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love,  
for they are from of old. Let not our enemies exult over us.  
Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress. *cf. Psalm 25 (24):6, 2, 22*

**MARCH 20 • Third Sunday of Lent**

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare.  
Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.  
*cf. Psalm 25 (24):15–16*

*Or*

When I prove my holiness among you,  
I will gather you from all the foreign lands;  
and I will pour clean water upon you and cleanse you from all your  
impurities, and I will give you a new spirit, says the Lord. *cf. Ezekiel 36:23–26*

**MARCH 27 • Fourth Sunday of Lent**

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast. *cf. Isaiah 66:10–11*

**APRIL 3 • Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,  
for you, O God, are my strength. *cf. Psalm 43 (42):1–2*



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



**A - men.**

Continue with the "Lord, Have Mercy/Kyrie, Eleison," page 9.

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Or

**2**

Have mercy on us, O Lord.



**For we have sinned a - gainst you.**

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.



**And grant us your sal - va - tion.**

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



**A - men.**

Continue with the "Lord, Have Mercy/Kyrie, Eleison," page 9.

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Or

**3**

*Invocation...*

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister;  
All respond



**Lord, have mer - cy.**

Or

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister;  
All respond



**Kýrie, e - lé - i - son.**

*Invocation...*

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister;  
All respond



**Christ, have mer - cy.**

Or

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister;  
All respond



**Christe, e - lé - i - son.**

Invocation...

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister;  
All respond

Lord, have mer - cy.

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister;  
All respond

Or Kýrie, e - lé - i - son.

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

A - men.

Continue with the "Gloria," page 10 or 11, except on Sundays of Advent, Ash Wednesday and Sundays of Lent.

## LORD, HAVE MERCY / KYRIE, ELEISON

4

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister All respond Priest/Deacon/Other Minister

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

All respond Priest/Deacon/Other Minister All respond

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Or

5

Priest/Deacon/Other Minister All respond Priest/Deacon/Other Minister

Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Chris - te, e - lé - i - son.

All respond Priest/Deacon/Other Minister All respond

Chris - te, e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Or

All respond

Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.



Or

**Glory 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.**

## COLLECT

Let us pray.

*After a period of silence, the Priest says the Collect, and all respond:*

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### NOVEMBER 28

*First Sunday of Advent*

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God,  
the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ  
with righteous deeds at his coming,  
so that, gathered at his right hand,  
they may be worthy to possess the  
    heavenly Kingdom.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
    of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**                      *(Please turn to page 16)*

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### DECEMBER 5

*Second Sunday of Advent*

Almighty and merciful God,  
may no earthly undertaking hinder those  
who set out in haste to meet your Son,  
but may our learning of heavenly wisdom  
gain us admittance to his company.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
    of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**                      *(Please turn to page 19)*

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## DECEMBER 8

*The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Patronal Feastday of the United States of America)*

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin prepared a worthy dwelling for your Son, grant, we pray, that, as you preserved her from every stain by virtue of the Death of your Son, which you foresaw, so, through her intercession, we, too, may be cleansed and admitted to your presence. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** *(Please turn to page 21)*

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## DECEMBER

*Our Lady of Guadalupe*

O God, Father of mercies, who placed your people under the singular protection of your Son's most holy Mother, grant that all who invoke the Blessed Virgin of Guadalupe, may seek with ever more lively faith the progress of peoples in the ways of justice and of peace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** *(Please turn to page 23)*

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## DECEMBER 12

*Third Sunday of Advent*

O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.** *(Please turn to page 25)*

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## DECEMBER 19

*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** *(Please turn to page 27)*

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## DECEMBER 24

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Vigil Mass*

O God, who gladden us year by year as we wait in hope for our redemption, grant that, just as we joyfully welcome your Only Begotten Son as our Redeemer, we may also merit to face him confidently when he comes again as our Judge. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** *(Please turn to page 29)*

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## DECEMBER 25

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Mass during the Night*

O God, who have made this most sacred night radiant with the splendor of the true light, grant, we pray, that we, who have known the mysteries of his light on earth, may also delight in his gladness in heaven. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** *(Please turn to page 32)*

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## DECEMBER 25

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Mass at Dawn*

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, as we are bathed in the new radiance  
of your incarnate Word,  
the light of faith, which illumines our minds,  
may also shine through in our deeds.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 35)

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## DECEMBER 25

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Mass during the Day*

O God, who wonderfully created the  
dignity of human nature  
and still more wonderfully restored it,  
grant, we pray,  
that we may share in the divinity of Christ,  
who humbled himself to share in  
our humanity.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 36)

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## DECEMBER 26

*The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

O God, who were pleased to give us  
the shining example of the Holy Family,  
graciously grant that we may imitate them  
in practicing the virtues of family life and  
in the bonds of charity,  
and so, in the joy of your house,  
delight one day in eternal rewards.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 39)

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## JANUARY 1

*Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*  
O God, who through the fruitful virginity  
of Blessed Mary  
bestowed on the human race  
the grace of eternal salvation,  
grant, we pray,  
that we may experience the intercession  
of her,  
through whom we were found worthy  
to receive the author of life,  
our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 41)

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## JANUARY 1

*The Epiphany of the Lord: At the Vigil Mass*  
May the splendor of your majesty, O Lord,  
we pray,  
shed its light upon our hearts,  
that we may pass through the shadows of  
this world  
and reach the brightness of our  
eternal home.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 43)

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## JANUARY 2

*The Epiphany of the Lord:  
At the Mass during the Day*

O God, who on this day  
revealed your Only Begotten Son to  
the nations  
by the guidance of a star,  
grant in your mercy  
that we, who know you already by faith,  
may be brought to behold the beauty of  
your sublime glory.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 43)

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## JANUARY 9

### *The Baptism of the Lord*

Almighty ever-living God,  
who, when Christ had been baptized in the  
River Jordan  
and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him,  
solemnly declared him your beloved Son,  
grant that your children by adoption,  
reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,  
may always be well pleasing to you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*Or*

O God, whose Only Begotten Son  
has appeared in our very flesh,  
grant, we pray, that we may be  
inwardly transformed  
through him whom we recognize as  
outwardly like ourselves.  
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 45)

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## JANUARY 16

### *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Almighty ever-living God,  
who govern all things,  
both in heaven and on earth,  
mercifully hear the pleading of your people  
and bestow your peace on our times.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 48)

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## JANUARY 23

### *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Almighty ever-living God,  
direct our actions according to your  
good pleasure,  
that in the name of your beloved Son  
we may abound in good works.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 50)

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## JANUARY 30

### *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Grant us, Lord our God,  
that we may honor you with all our mind,  
and love everyone in truth of heart.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 53)

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## FEBRUARY 6

### *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Keep your family safe, O Lord,  
with unfailing care,  
that, relying solely on the hope of  
heavenly grace,  
they may be defended always by  
your protection.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 55)

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## FEBRUARY 13

### *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

O God, who teach us that you abide  
in hearts that are just and true,  
grant that we may be so fashioned by  
your grace  
as to become a dwelling pleasing to you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 58)

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## FEBRUARY 20

### *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, always pondering spiritual things,  
we may carry out in both word and deed  
that which is pleasing to you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 60)

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## FEBRUARY 27

*Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,  
that the course of our world  
may be directed by your peaceful rule  
and that your Church may rejoice,  
untroubled in her devotion.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 62)

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## MARCH 2

*Ash Wednesday*

Grant, O Lord, that we may begin with  
holy fasting  
this campaign of Christian service,  
so that, as we take up battle against  
spiritual evils,  
we may be armed with weapons of  
self-restraint.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 64)

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## MARCH 6

*First Sunday of Lent*

Grant, almighty God,  
through the yearly observances of holy Lent,  
that we may grow in understanding  
of the riches hidden in Christ  
and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 68)

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## MARCH 13

*Second Sunday of Lent*

O God, who have commanded us  
to listen to your beloved Son,  
be pleased, we pray,  
to nourish us inwardly by your word,  
that, with spiritual sight made pure,

we may rejoice to behold your glory.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 71)

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## MARCH 20

*Third Sunday of Lent*

O God, author of every mercy and of  
all goodness,  
who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving  
have shown us a remedy for sin,  
look graciously on this confession of  
our lowliness,  
that we, who are bowed down by  
our conscience,  
may always be lifted up by your mercy.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 73)

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## MARCH 27

*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

O God, who through your Word  
reconcile the human race to yourself in a  
wonderful way,  
grant, we pray,  
that with prompt devotion and eager faith  
the Christian people may hasten  
toward the solemn celebrations to come.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 79)

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## APRIL 3

*Fifth Sunday of Lent*

By your help, we beseech you, Lord  
our God,  
may we walk eagerly in that same charity  
with which, out of love for the world,  
your Son handed himself over to death.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.** (Please turn to page 85)

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*The Priest or Deacon preaches the good news of Christ's saving mystery.*

**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

STAND

*On Sundays and solemnities, all sing or say the Nicene Creed (for music, see #948 in the Music Issue):*

**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 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.**

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*Instead of the Nicene (Niceno-Constantinopolitan) Creed, especially during Lent and Easter Time, the baptismal Symbol of the Roman Church, known as the Apostles' Creed, may be used.*

STAND

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,**

*At the words that follow, up to and including "the Virgin Mary," all bow.*

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

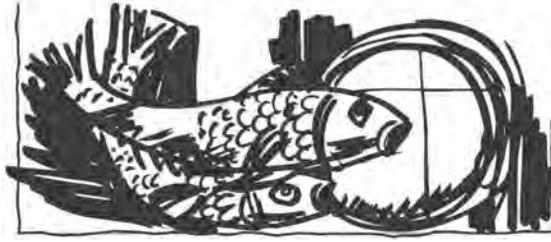
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.**

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**UNIVERSAL PRAYER** *(Prayer of the Faithful)*

*As a priestly people, we unite with one another to pray for today's needs in the Church and the world. The Deacon, cantor or other minister offers the petitions, and then says or sings:*

Let us pray to the Lord.  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**



## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Christians are baptized into the paschal mystery of Christ's death and resurrection for the forgiveness of sin and fullness of salvation. This mystery is celebrated at every Mass, remembering Christ's loving deed and giving thanks and praise to God. By this action the "Sacrifice of the Cross is continuously made present in the Church" (GIRM, no. 72).

### PRESENTATION AND PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

*SIT*

*Gifts are collected for the poor and for the Church. Bread and wine are brought to the altar table, and everything is prepared for the celebration. If no chant is sung, the Priest may pray aloud, and all may respond:*

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  
for through your goodness we have received  
the bread we offer you:  
fruit of the earth and work of human hands,  
it will become for us the bread of life.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation,  
for through your goodness we have received  
the wine we offer you:  
fruit of the vine and work of human hands,  
it will become our spiritual drink.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters),  
that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

*STAND*

**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.**

Or

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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 ho - ly Church.

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

The Priest says the Prayer over the Offerings; following this, the people respond:

**Amen.**

#### NOVEMBER 28

*First Sunday of Advent*

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make, gathered from among your gifts to us, and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below gain for us the prize of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and grant that, as we profess her, on account of your preventent grace, to be untouched by any stain of sin, so, through her intercession, we may be delivered from all our faults. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### DECEMBER 5

*Second Sunday of Advent*

Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings, and, since we have no merits to plead our cause, come, we pray, to our rescue with the protection of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### DECEMBER

*Our Lady of Guadalupe*

Accept, O Lord, the gifts we present to you on this feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and grant that this sacrifice may strengthen us to fulfill your commandments as true children of the Virgin Mary. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### DECEMBER 12

*Third Sunday of Advent*

May the sacrifice of our worship, Lord, we pray, be offered to you unceasingly, to complete what was begun in sacred mystery and powerfully accomplish for us your saving work. Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### DECEMBER 8

*The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Patronal Feastday of the United States of America)*

Graciously accept the saving sacrifice which we offer you, O Lord, on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

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**DECEMBER 19**

*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

May the Holy Spirit, O Lord,  
sanctify these gifts laid upon your altar,  
just as he filled with his power the womb  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**DECEMBER 24**

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):*

*At the Vigil Mass*

As we look forward, O Lord,  
to the coming festivities,  
may we serve you all the more eagerly  
for knowing that in them  
you make manifest the beginnings of  
our redemption.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**DECEMBER 25**

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):*

*At the Mass during the Night*

May the oblation of this day's feast  
be pleasing to you, O Lord, we pray,  
that through this most holy exchange  
we may be found in the likeness of Christ,  
in whom our nature is united to you.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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**DECEMBER 25**

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):*

*At the Mass at Dawn*

May our offerings be worthy, we pray, O Lord,  
of the mysteries of the Nativity this day,  
that, just as Christ was born a man and  
also shone forth as God,  
so these earthly gifts may confer on us  
what is divine.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**DECEMBER 25**

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):*

*At the Mass during the Day*

Make acceptable, O Lord, our oblation on  
this solemn day,

when you manifested the reconciliation  
that makes us wholly pleasing in your sight  
and inaugurated for us the fullness of  
divine worship.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**DECEMBER 26**

*The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

We offer you, Lord, the sacrifice  
of conciliation,

humbly asking that,

through the intercession of the Virgin

Mother of God and Saint Joseph,

you may establish our families firmly in  
your grace and your peace.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**JANUARY 1**

*Solemnity of Mary,  
The Holy Mother of God*

O God, who in your kindness begin all  
good things

and bring them to fulfillment,

grant to us, who find joy in the Solemnity

of the holy Mother of God,

that, just as we glory in the beginnings of  
your grace,

so one day we may rejoice in its  
completion.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**JANUARY 1**

*The Epiphany of the Lord:  
At the Vigil Mass*

Accept we pray, O Lord, our offerings,  
in honor of the appearing of your Only

Begotten Son

and the first fruits of the nations,

that to you praise may be rendered  
and eternal salvation be ours.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 2

*The Epiphany of the Lord:  
At the Mass during the Day*

Look with favor, Lord, we pray,  
on these gifts of your Church,  
in which are offered now not gold or  
frankincense or myrrh,  
but he who by them is proclaimed,  
sacrificed and received, Jesus Christ.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 9

*The Baptism of the Lord*

Accept, O Lord, the offerings  
we have brought to honor the revealing of  
your beloved Son,  
so that the oblation of your faithful  
may be transformed into the sacrifice  
of him  
who willed in his compassion  
to wash away the sins of the world.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 16

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,  
that we may participate worthily in  
these mysteries,  
for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice  
is celebrated  
the work of our redemption is accomplished.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 23

*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray,  
and in sanctifying them  
grant that they may profit us for salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 30

*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

O Lord, we bring to your altar  
these offerings of our service:

be pleased to receive them, we pray,  
and transform them  
into the Sacrament of our redemption.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## FEBRUARY 6

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

O Lord our God,  
who once established these created things  
to sustain us in our frailty,  
grant, we pray,  
that they may become for us now  
the Sacrament of eternal life.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## FEBRUARY 13

*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

May this oblation, O Lord, we pray,  
cleanse and renew us  
and may it become for those who do  
your will  
the source of eternal reward.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## FEBRUARY 20

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

As we celebrate your mysteries, O Lord,  
with the observance that is your due,  
we humbly ask you,  
that what we offer to the honor of  
your majesty  
may profit us for salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## FEBRUARY 27

*Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

O God, who provide gifts to be offered to  
your name  
and count our oblations as signs  
of our desire to serve you with devotion,  
we ask of your mercy  
that what you grant as the source of merit  
may also help us to attain merit's reward.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**



*The Priest continues with one of the following or another preface:*

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*Usually used with Eucharistic Prayer II:*

It is truly right and just, our duty and  
our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Father most holy,  
through your beloved Son,  
Jesus Christ,  
your Word through whom you made  
all things,  
whom you sent as our Savior and Redeemer,  
incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of  
the Virgin.

Fulfilling your will and gaining for you  
a holy people,  
he stretched out his hands as he endured  
his Passion,  
so as to break the bonds of death and  
manifest the resurrection.

And so, with the Angels and all the Saints  
we declare your glory,  
as with one voice we acclaim:

*(Please turn to page 99)*

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*Always used with Eucharistic Prayer IV:*

It is truly right to give you thanks,  
truly just to give you glory, Father most holy,  
for you are the one God living and true,  
existing before all ages and abiding for  
all eternity,  
dwelling in unapproachable light;  
yet you, who alone are good,  
the source of life,  
have made all that is,  
so that you might fill your creatures  
with blessings  
and bring joy to many of them by  
the glory of your light.

And so, in your presence are countless  
hosts of Angels,  
who serve you day and night  
and, gazing upon the glory of your face,  
glorify you without ceasing.

With them we, too, confess your name  
in exultation,  
giving voice to every creature under heaven,  
as we acclaim:

*(Please turn to page 99)*

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*Usually used with Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation I:*

It is truly right and just  
that we should always give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.  
For you do not cease to spur us on  
to possess a more abundant life  
and, being rich in mercy,  
you constantly offer pardon  
and call on sinners  
to trust in your forgiveness alone.  
Never did you turn away from us,  
and, though time and again we have  
broken your covenant,  
you have bound the human family  
to yourself  
through Jesus your Son, our Redeemer,  
with a new bond of love so tight  
that it can never be undone.

Even now you set before your people  
a time of grace and reconciliation,  
and, as they turn back to you in spirit,  
you grant them hope in Christ Jesus  
and a desire to be of service to all,  
while they entrust themselves  
more fully to the Holy Spirit.

And so, filled with wonder,  
we extol the power of your love,  
and, proclaiming our joy  
at the salvation that comes from you,  
we join in the heavenly hymn of  
countless hosts,  
as without end we acclaim:

*Usually used with Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II:*

It is truly right and just  
that we should give you thanks and praise,  
O God, almighty Father,  
for all you do in this world,  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

For though the human race  
is divided by dissension and discord,  
yet we know that by testing us  
you change our hearts  
to prepare them for reconciliation.

Even more, by your Spirit you move  
human hearts

that enemies may speak to each other again,  
adversaries join hands,  
and peoples seek to meet together.

By the working of your power  
it comes about, O Lord,  
that hatred is overcome by love,  
revenge gives way to forgiveness,  
and discord is changed to mutual respect.

Therefore, as we give you ceaseless thanks  
with the choirs of heaven,  
we cry out to your majesty on earth,  
and without end we acclaim:

**HOLY**

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are  
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues with one of the following:*

- I ("To you, therefore, most merciful Father,..." ) – below*
- II ("You are indeed Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness..." ) – page 102*
- III ("You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created..." ) – page 103*
- IV ("We give you praise, Father most holy,..." ) – page 105*
- Reconciliation I ("You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and from the world's..." ) – page 106*
- Reconciliation II ("You, therefore, almighty Father,..." ) – page 107*

*In addition to these Eucharistic Prayers, the Eucharistic Prayer for use in Masses For Various Needs may be used at times throughout the liturgical year.*

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I**

KNEEL

To you, therefore, most merciful Father,  
we make humble prayer and petition  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord:  
that you accept  
and bless † these gifts, these offerings,  
these holy and unblemished sacrifices,

which we offer you firstly  
for your holy catholic Church.  
Be pleased to grant her peace,  
to guard, unite and govern her  
throughout the whole world,  
together with your servant N. our Pope

and N. our Bishop,  
and all those who, holding to the truth,  
hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Remember, Lord, your servants  
N. and N.  
and all gathered here,  
whose faith and devotion are known to you.  
For them, we offer you this sacrifice  
of praise  
or they offer it for themselves  
and all who are dear to them:  
for the redemption of their souls,  
in hope of health and well-being,  
and paying their homage to you,  
the eternal God, living and true.

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*On the Nativity of the Lord and throughout  
the Octave:*

Celebrating the most sacred night (day)  
on which blessed Mary  
the immaculate Virgin  
brought forth the Savior for this  
world, and

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*On the Epiphany of the Lord:*

Celebrating the most sacred day  
on which your Only Begotten Son,  
eternal with you in your glory,  
appeared in a human body,  
truly sharing our flesh, and

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In communion with those whose memory  
we venerate,  
especially the glorious ever-Virgin Mary,  
Mother of our God and Lord,  
Jesus Christ,  
and blessed Joseph, her Spouse,  
your blessed Apostles and Martyrs,  
Peter and Paul, Andrew,  
(James, John,  
Thomas, James, Philip,  
Bartholomew, Matthew,  
Simon and Jude;  
Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus,  
Cornelius, Cyprian,  
Lawrence, Chrysogonus,  
John and Paul,  
Cosmas and Damian)  
and all your Saints;  
we ask that through their merits and prayers,  
in all things we may be defended

by your protecting help.  
(Through Christ our Lord. Amen.)

Therefore, Lord, we pray:  
graciously accept this oblation  
of our service,  
that of your whole family;  
order our days in your peace,  
and command that we be delivered from  
eternal damnation  
and counted among the flock of those you  
have chosen.  
(Through Christ our Lord. Amen.)

Be pleased, O God, we pray,  
to bless, acknowledge,  
and approve this offering in every respect;  
make it spiritual and acceptable,  
so that it may become for us  
the Body and Blood of your most  
beloved Son,  
our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer,  
he took bread in his holy and  
venerable hands,  
and with eyes raised to heaven  
to you, O God, his almighty Father,  
giving you thanks, he said the blessing,  
broke the bread  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

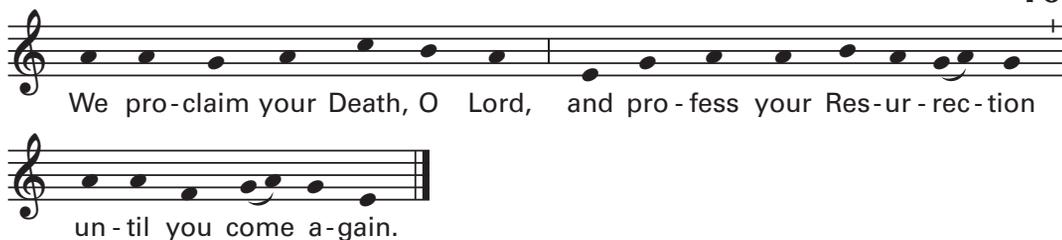
TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,  
he took this precious chalice  
in his holy and venerable hands,  
and once more giving you thanks,  
he said the blessing  
and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND  
ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND  
FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

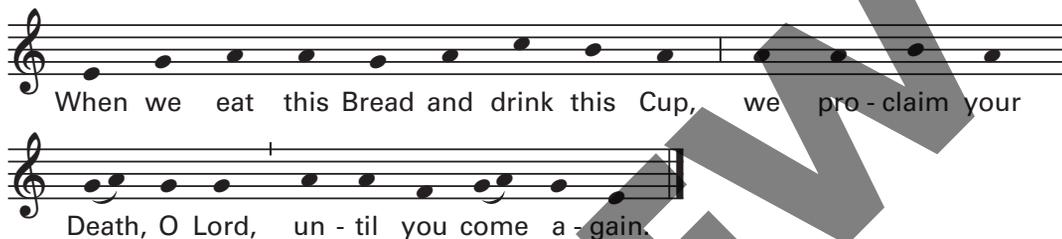
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.



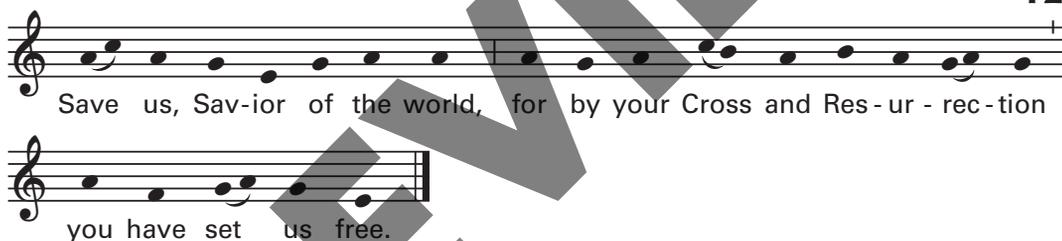
We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-rec-tion  
un-til you come a-gain.

Or



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim your  
Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.

Or



Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your Cross and Res-ur-rec-tion  
you have set us free.

Therefore, O Lord,  
as we celebrate the memorial of the  
blessed Passion,  
the Resurrection from the dead,  
and the glorious Ascension into heaven  
of Christ, your Son, our Lord,  
we, your servants and your holy people,  
offer to your glorious majesty  
from the gifts that you have given us,  
this pure victim,  
this holy victim,  
this spotless victim,  
the holy Bread of eternal life  
and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon these offerings  
with a serene and kindly countenance,  
and to accept them,  
as once you were pleased to accept

the gifts of your servant Abel the just,  
the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith,  
and the offering of your high priest  
Melchizedek,  
a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

In humble prayer we ask you,  
almighty God:  
command that these gifts be borne  
by the hands of your holy Angel  
to your altar on high  
in the sight of your divine majesty,  
so that all of us, who through this  
participation at the altar  
receive the most holy Body and Blood of  
your Son,  
may be filled with every grace and  
heavenly blessing.  
(Through Christ our Lord. Amen.)

Remember also, Lord, your servants  
N. and N.,  
who have gone before us with the sign  
of faith  
and rest in the sleep of peace.  
Grant them, O Lord, we pray,  
and all who sleep in Christ,  
a place of refreshment, light and peace.  
(Through Christ our Lord. Amen.)

To us, also, your servants, who,  
though sinners,  
hope in your abundant mercies,  
graciously grant some share  
and fellowship with your holy Apostles  
and Martyrs:  
with John the Baptist, Stephen,  
Matthias, Barnabas,

(Ignatius, Alexander,  
Marcellinus, Peter,  
Felicity, Perpetua,  
Agatha, Lucy,  
Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia)  
and all your Saints;  
admit us, we beseech you,  
into their company,  
not weighing our merits,  
but granting us your pardon,  
through Christ our Lord.  
Through whom  
you continue to make all these good things,  
O Lord;  
you sanctify them, fill them with life,  
bless them, and bestow them upon us.  
*(Please turn to page 108)*

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## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

KNEEL

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,  
the fount of all holiness.  
Make holy, therefore, these gifts,  
we pray,  
by sending down your Spirit upon them  
like the dewfall,  
so that they may become for us  
the Body and † Blood of our Lord  
Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed  
and entered willingly into his Passion,  
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,  
he took the chalice  
and, once more giving thanks,  
he gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND  
ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND  
FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.

*(For music see page 101)*

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

*Or*

**When we eat this Bread and drink  
this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.**

*Or*

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

Therefore, as we celebrate  
the memorial of his Death  
and Resurrection,  
we offer you, Lord,  
the Bread of life and the Chalice  
of salvation,  
giving thanks that you have held us worthy  
to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray  
that, partaking of the Body and Blood  
of Christ,

we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop and all the clergy.

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*In Masses for the Dead, the following may be added:*

Remember your servant N., whom you have called (today) from this world to yourself. Grant that he (she) who was united with your Son in a death like his, may also be one with him in his Resurrection.

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Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face. Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

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### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III**

*KNEEL*

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and † Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.

For on the night he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND  
ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND  
FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

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and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

*Or*

**When we eat this Bread and drink  
this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.**

Or

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

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate  
the memorial  
of the saving Passion of your Son,  
his wondrous Resurrection  
and Ascension into heaven,  
and as we look forward to his  
second coming,  
we offer you in thanksgiving  
this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of  
your Church  
and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by  
whose death  
you willed to reconcile us to yourself,  
grant that we, who are nourished  
by the Body and Blood of your Son  
and filled with his Holy Spirit,  
may become one body, one spirit in Christ.

May he make of us  
an eternal offering to you,  
so that we may obtain an inheritance with  
your elect,  
especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God,  
with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,  
with your blessed Apostles and  
glorious Martyrs  
(with Saint N.: *the Saint of the day  
or Patron Saint*)  
and with all the Saints,  
on whose constant intercession in  
your presence  
we rely for unfailing help.

May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation,  
we pray, O Lord,  
advance the peace and salvation of all  
the world.

Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity  
your pilgrim Church on earth,  
with your servant N. our Pope and  
N. our Bishop,

the Order of Bishops, all the clergy,  
and the entire people you have gained for  
your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of  
this family,  
whom you have summoned before you:  
in your compassion, O merciful Father,  
gather to yourself all your children  
scattered throughout the world.

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*When this Eucharistic Prayer is used in Masses  
for the Dead, the following may be said:*

Remember your servant N.  
whom you have called (today)  
from this world to yourself.  
Grant that he (she) who was united with  
your Son in a death like his,  
may also be one with him in  
his Resurrection,  
when from the earth  
he will raise up in the flesh those who  
have died,  
and transform our lowly body  
after the pattern of his own glorious body.  
To our departed brothers and sisters, too,  
and to all who were pleasing to you  
at their passing from this life,  
give kind admittance to your kingdom.  
There we hope to enjoy for ever the  
fullness of your glory,  
when you will wipe away every tear from  
our eyes.  
For seeing you, our God, as you are,  
we shall be like you for all the ages  
and praise you without end,  
through Christ our Lord,  
through whom you bestow on the world  
all that is good.

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and to all who were pleasing to you  
at their passing from this life,  
give kind admittance to your kingdom.  
There we hope to enjoy for ever  
the fullness of your glory  
through Christ our Lord,  
through whom you bestow on the world all  
that is good.

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## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER IV

KNEEL

We give you praise, Father most holy,  
for you are great  
and you have fashioned all your works  
in wisdom and in love.

You formed man in your own image  
and entrusted the whole world to his care,  
so that in serving you alone, the Creator,  
he might have dominion over all creatures.  
And when through disobedience he had  
lost your friendship,  
you did not abandon him to the domain  
of death.

For you came in mercy to the aid of all,  
so that those who seek might find you.  
Time and again you offered them covenants  
and through the prophets  
taught them to look forward to salvation.

And you so loved the world,  
Father most holy,  
that in the fullness of time  
you sent your Only Begotten Son  
to be our Savior.

Made incarnate by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary,  
he shared our human nature  
in all things but sin.

To the poor he proclaimed the good news  
of salvation,  
to prisoners, freedom,  
and to the sorrowful of heart, joy.  
To accomplish your plan,  
he gave himself up to death,  
and, rising from the dead,  
he destroyed death and restored life.

And that we might live no longer  
for ourselves  
but for him who died and rose again for us,  
he sent the Holy Spirit from you, Father,  
as the first fruits for those who believe,  
so that, bringing to perfection his work in  
the world,  
he might sanctify creation to the full.

Therefore, O Lord, we pray:  
may this same Holy Spirit  
graciously sanctify these offerings,  
that they may become

the Body and † Blood of our Lord  
Jesus Christ  
for the celebration of this great mystery,  
which he himself left us  
as an eternal covenant.

For when the hour had come  
for him to be glorified by you,  
Father most holy,  
having loved his own who were  
in the world,  
he loved them to the end:  
and while they were at supper,  
he took bread, blessed and broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way,  
taking the chalice filled with the fruit of  
the vine,  
he gave thanks,  
and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND  
ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND  
FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

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**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

*Or*

**When we eat this Bread and drink  
this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.**

*Or*

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

Therefore, O Lord,  
as we now celebrate the memorial of our  
redemption,  
we remember Christ's Death  
and his descent to the realm of the dead,  
we proclaim his Resurrection  
and his Ascension to your right hand,  
and, as we await his coming in glory,  
we offer you his Body and Blood,  
the sacrifice acceptable to you  
which brings salvation to the whole world.

Look, O Lord, upon the Sacrifice  
which you yourself have provided  
for your Church,  
and grant in your loving kindness  
to all who partake of this one Bread and  
one Chalice  
that, gathered into one body by the  
Holy Spirit,  
they may truly become a living sacrifice  
in Christ  
to the praise of your glory.

Therefore, Lord, remember now  
all for whom we offer this sacrifice:  
especially your servant N. our Pope,

N. our Bishop, and the whole  
Order of Bishops,  
all the clergy,  
those who take part in this offering,  
those gathered here before you,  
your entire people,  
and all who seek you with a sincere heart.

Remember also  
those who have died in the peace of  
your Christ  
and all the dead,  
whose faith you alone have known.

To all of us, your children,  
grant, O merciful Father,  
that we may enter into a  
heavenly inheritance  
with the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God,  
with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,  
and with your Apostles and Saints  
in your kingdom.  
There, with the whole of creation,  
freed from the corruption of sin and death,  
may we glorify you through Christ our Lord,  
through whom you bestow on the world all  
that is good.

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## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION I**

*KNEEL*

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,  
and from the world's beginning  
are ceaselessly at work,  
so that the human race may become holy,  
just as you yourself are holy.

Look, we pray, upon your people's offerings  
and pour out on them the power  
of your Spirit,  
that they may become the Body  
and † Blood  
of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,  
in whom we, too, are your sons  
and daughters.

Indeed, though we once were lost  
and could not approach you,  
you loved us with the greatest love:  
for your Son, who alone is just,  
handed himself over to death,

and did not disdain to be nailed for  
our sake  
to the wood of the Cross.

But before his arms were outstretched  
between heaven and earth,  
to become the lasting sign of your covenant,  
he desired to celebrate the Passover with  
his disciples.

As he ate with them,  
he took bread  
and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing,  
broke the bread and gave it to them, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,  
knowing that he was about to reconcile all  
things in himself

through his Blood to be shed on the Cross,  
he took the chalice, filled with the fruit of  
the vine,  
and once more giving you thanks,  
handed the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND  
ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND  
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and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

*Or*

**When we eat this Bread and drink  
this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.**

*Or*

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

Therefore, as we celebrate  
the memorial of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who is our Passover and our surest peace,  
we celebrate his Death and Resurrection  
from the dead,  
and looking forward to his blessed Coming,

we offer you, who are our faithful and  
merciful God,  
this sacrificial Victim  
who reconciles to you the human race.

Look kindly, most compassionate Father,  
on those you unite to yourself  
by the Sacrifice of your Son,  
and grant that, by the power  
of the Holy Spirit,  
as they partake of this one Bread and  
one Chalice,  
they may be gathered into one  
Body in Christ,  
who heals every division.

Be pleased to keep us always  
in communion of mind and heart,  
together with N. our Pope and  
N. our Bishop.

Help us to work together  
for the coming of your Kingdom,  
until the hour when we stand before you,  
Saints among the Saints in the halls  
of heaven,  
with the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God,  
the blessed Apostles and all the Saints,  
and with our deceased brothers and sisters,  
whom we humbly commend to your mercy.

Then, freed at last from the wound  
of corruption  
and made fully into a new creation,  
we shall sing to you with gladness  
the thanksgiving of Christ,  
who lives for all eternity.

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## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER FOR RECONCILIATION II**

*KNEEL*

You, therefore, almighty Father,  
we bless through Jesus Christ your Son,  
who comes in your name.  
He himself is the Word that brings salvation,  
the hand you extend to sinners,  
the way by which your peace is offered  
to us.

When we ourselves had turned away  
from you  
on account of our sins,

you brought us back to be reconciled,  
O Lord,  
so that, converted at last to you,  
we might love one another  
through your Son,  
whom for our sake you handed over  
to death.

And now, celebrating the reconciliation  
Christ has brought us,  
we entreat you:

sanctify these gifts by the outpouring of  
your Spirit,  
that they may become the Body  
and † Blood of your Son,  
whose command we fulfill  
when we celebrate these mysteries.

For when about to give his life to set us free,  
as he reclined at supper,  
he himself took bread into his hands,  
and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing,  
broke the bread and gave it to his disciples,  
saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, on that same evening,  
he took the chalice of blessing in his hands,  
confessing your mercy,  
and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND  
ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND  
FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.  
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and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.**

*Or*

**When we eat this Bread and drink  
this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.**

*Or*

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

Celebrating, therefore, the memorial  
of the Death and Resurrection of your Son,  
who left us this pledge of his love,  
we offer you what you have bestowed  
on us,  
the Sacrifice of perfect reconciliation.

Holy Father, we humbly beseech you  
to accept us also, together with your Son,  
and in this saving banquet  
graciously to endow us with his very Spirit,  
who takes away everything  
that estranges us from one another.

May he make your Church a sign of unity  
and an instrument of your peace among  
all people  
and may he keep us in communion  
with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop  
and all the Bishops  
and your entire people.

Just as you have gathered us now at the  
table of your Son,  
so also bring us together,  
with the glorious Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God,  
with your blessed Apostles and all  
the Saints,  
with our brothers and sisters  
and those of every race and tongue  
who have died in your friendship.  
Bring us to share with them the unending  
banquet of unity  
in a new heaven and a new earth,  
where the fullness of your peace will  
shine forth  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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*The Eucharistic Prayer culminates and concludes when the Priest sings or says:*

Through him, and with him, and in him,  
O God, almighty Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honor is yours,  
for ever and ever.



## THE COMMUNION RITE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

STAND

*The Priest invites all to join in the Lord's Prayer:*

At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

13

Musical notation for the Lord's Prayer, consisting of five staves of music in a single treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name; thy king - dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our tres - pass - es, as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil." A large, semi-transparent watermark reading "PREVIEW" is overlaid diagonally across the page.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil,  
graciously grant peace in our days,  
that, by the help of your mercy,  
we may be always free from sin  
and safe from all distress,  
as we await the blessed hope  
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Musical notation for the final line of the Lord's Prayer, consisting of a single treble clef staff with the lyrics: "For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are yours now and for ev - er." A large, semi-transparent watermark reading "PREVIEW" is overlaid diagonally across the page.

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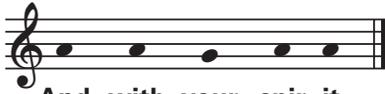
## SIGN OF PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ,  
who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you,  
look not on our sins,  
but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity  
in accordance with your will.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.



A - men.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



And with your spir-it.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*The people exchange a sign of peace, according to local custom.*

## LAMB OF GOD

*During the breaking of the bread and the commingling, the following litany is sung and may be repeated several times until the fraction rite is completed, ending only the final time with "grant us peace."*

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All respond:

15



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

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

### COMMUNION CHANT

*While the Priest is receiving the Sacrament, the Communion Chant or song is begun. Communion antiphons may be found below.*

*The minister of Communion says,*

STAND

*“The Body of Christ” or “The Blood of Christ,”*

*and the communicant answers:*

**Amen.**

**NOVEMBER 28 • First Sunday of Advent**

**The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.**

*Psalms 85 (84):13*

**DECEMBER 5 • Second Sunday of Advent**

**Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,  
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.**

*Baruch 5:5; 4:36*

**DECEMBER 8 • The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
(Patronal Feastday of the United States of America)**

**Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary,  
for from you arose the sun of justice,  
Christ our God.**

**DECEMBER • Our Lady of Guadalupe**

**The Lord has cast down the mighty from their thrones,  
and has lifted up the lowly.**

*Luke 1:52*

Or

**God has not acted thus for any other nation;  
to no other people had he shown his love so clearly.**      *cf. Psalm 147 (146):20*

**DECEMBER 12 • *Third Sunday of Advent***

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.  
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

*cf. Isaiah 35:4*

**DECEMBER 19 • *Fourth Sunday of Advent***

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;  
and his name will be called Emmanuel.

*Isaiah 7:14*

**DECEMBER 24 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Vigil Mass***

The glory of the Lord will be revealed,  
and all flesh will see the salvation of our God.

*cf. Isaiah 40:5*

**DECEMBER 25 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Mass during the Night***

The Word became flesh, and we have seen his glory.

*John 1:14*

**DECEMBER 25 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Mass at Dawn***

Rejoice, O Daughter Sion; lift up praise, Daughter Jerusalem:  
Behold, your King will come, the Holy One and Savior of the world.

*cf. Zechariah 9:9*

**DECEMBER 25 • *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): At the Mass during the Day***

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

*cf. Psalm 98 (97):3*

**DECEMBER 26 • *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph***

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.

*Baruch 3:38*

**JANUARY 1 • *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God***

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

*Hebrews 13:8*

**JANUARY 1 • *The Epiphany of the Lord: At the Vigil Mass***

The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem,  
and the nations will walk by its light.

*cf. Revelation 21:23*

**JANUARY 2 • *The Epiphany of the Lord: At the Mass during the Day***

We have seen his star in the East,  
and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

*cf. Matthew 2:2*

**JANUARY 9 • *The Baptism of the Lord***

Behold the One of whom John said:  
I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

*John 1:32, 34*

**JANUARY 16** • *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

You have prepared a table before me,  
and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst. *cf. Psalm 23 (22):5*

*Or*

We have come to know and to believe  
in the love that God has for us. *1 John 4:16*

**JANUARY 23** • *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed. *cf. Psalm 34 (33):6*

*Or*

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;  
whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,  
but will have the light of life. *John 8:12*

**JANUARY 30** • *Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Let your face shine on your servant.  
Save me in your merciful love.  
O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

*cf. Psalm 31 (30):17–18*

*Or*

Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.  
Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the land. *Matthew 5:3–4*

**FEBRUARY 6** • *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,  
his wonders for the children of men,  
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,  
and the hungry he fills with good things. *cf. Psalm 107 (106):8–9*

*Or*

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be consoled.  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
for they shall have their fill. *Matthew 5:5–6*

**FEBRUARY 13** • *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them;  
they were not disappointed in what they craved. *cf. Psalm 78 (77):29–30*

*Or*

God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son,  
so that all who believe in him may not perish,  
but may have eternal life. *John 3:16*

**FEBRUARY 20** • *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad,  
and sing psalms to your name, O Most High. *Psalm 9:2–3*

*Or*

Lord, I have come to believe that you are the Christ,  
the Son of the living God, who is coming into this world. *John 11:27*

**FEBRUARY 27** • *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me,  
sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High. *cf. Psalm 13 (12):6*

*Or*

Behold, I am with you always,  
even to the end of the age, says the Lord. *Matthew 28:20*

**MARCH 2** • *Ash Wednesday*

He who ponders the law of the Lord day and night  
will yield fruit in due season. *cf. Psalm 1:2–3*

**MARCH 6** • *First Sunday of Lent*

One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. *Matthew 4:4*

*Or*

The Lord will conceal you with his pinions,  
and under his wings you will trust. *cf. Psalm 91 (90):4*

**MARCH 13** • *Second Sunday of Lent*

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him. *Matthew 17:5*

**MARCH 20** • *Third Sunday of Lent*

*When the Gospel of the Samaritan Woman is read:*

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give  
will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life. *John 4:13–14*

*When another Gospel is read:*

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your  
altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell  
in your house, for ever singing your praise. *cf. Psalm 84 (83):4–5*

**MARCH 27** • *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

*When the Gospel of the Man Born Blind is read:*

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,  
I saw and I believed in God. *cf. John 9:11, 38*

*When the Gospel of the Prodigal Son is read:*

You must rejoice, my son, for your brother was dead and has come to life;  
he was lost and is found. *Luke 15:32*

**APRIL 3 • Fifth Sunday of Lent**

*When the Gospel of Lazarus is read:*

**Everyone who lives and believes in me  
will not die for ever, says the Lord.**

*cf. John 11:26*

*When the Gospel of the Adulterous Woman is read:*

**Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord.  
Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.**

*John 8:10–11*

**PERIOD OF SILENCE OR SONG OF PRAISE**

*SIT (OR KNEEL)*

*A period of silence may now be observed, or a psalm or song of praise may be sung.*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*STAND*

Let us pray.

**NOVEMBER 28**

*First Sunday of Advent*

May these mysteries, O Lord,  
in which we have participated,  
profit us, we pray,  
for even now, as we walk amid  
passing things,  
you teach us by them to love the things  
of heaven  
and hold fast to what endures.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**DECEMBER 5**

*Second Sunday of Advent*

Replenished by the food of  
spiritual nourishment,  
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,  
that, through our partaking in this mystery,  
you may teach us to judge wisely the  
things of earth  
and hold firm to the things of heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**DECEMBER 8**

*The Immaculate Conception of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary (Patronal Feastday  
of the United States of America)*

May the Sacrament we have received,  
O Lord our God,

heal in us the wounds of that fault  
from which in a singular way  
you preserved Blessed Mary in her  
Immaculate Conception.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**DECEMBER**

*Our Lady of Guadalupe*

Lord God, may the Body and Blood of  
your Son,  
which we receive in this sacrament,  
reconcile us always in your love;  
and may we who rejoice in Our Lady  
of Guadalupe  
live united and at peace in this world  
until the day of the Lord dawns in glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**DECEMBER 12**

*Third Sunday of Advent*

We implore your mercy, Lord,  
that this divine sustenance may cleanse us  
of our faults  
and prepare us for the coming feasts.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## DECEMBER 19

*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

Having received this pledge of  
eternal redemption,  
we pray, almighty God,  
that, as the feast day of our salvation draws  
ever nearer,  
so we may press forward all the  
more eagerly  
to the worthy celebration of the mystery of  
your Son's Nativity.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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## DECEMBER 24

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Vigil Mass*

Grant, O Lord, we pray,  
that we may draw new vigor  
from celebrating the Nativity of your Only  
Begotten Son,  
by whose heavenly mystery we receive  
both food and drink.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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## DECEMBER 25

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Mass during the Night*

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,  
that we, who are gladdened  
by participation  
in the feast of our Redeemer's Nativity,  
may through an honorable way of life  
become worthy of union with him.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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## DECEMBER 25

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Mass at Dawn*

Grant us, Lord, as we honor with  
joyful devotion  
the Nativity of your Son,  
that we may come to know with fullness  
of faith

the hidden depths of this mystery  
and to love them ever more and more.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## DECEMBER 25

*The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas):  
At the Mass during the Day*

Grant, O merciful God,  
that, just as the Savior of the world,  
born this day,  
is the author of divine generation for us,  
so he may be the giver even of immortality.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

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## DECEMBER 26

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*

Bring those you refresh with this  
heavenly Sacrament,  
most merciful Father,  
to imitate constantly the example of the  
Holy Family,  
so that, after the trials of this world,  
we may share their company for ever.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 1

*Solemnity of Mary,  
The Holy Mother of God*

We have received this heavenly Sacrament  
with joy, O Lord:  
grant, we pray,  
that it may lead us to eternal life,  
for we rejoice to proclaim the blessed  
ever-Virgin Mary  
Mother of your Son and Mother of  
the Church.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 1

*The Epiphany of the Lord:  
At the Vigil Mass*

Renewed by sacred nourishment,  
we implore your mercy, O Lord,  
that the star of your justice  
may shine always bright in our minds  
and that our true treasure may ever consist  
in our confession of you.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 2

*The Epiphany of the Lord:  
At the Mass during the Day*

Go before us with heavenly light,  
O Lord,  
always and everywhere,  
that we may perceive with clear sight  
and revere with true affection  
the mystery in which you have willed us  
to participate.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 9

*The Baptism of the Lord*

Nourished with these sacred gifts,  
we humbly entreat your mercy, O Lord,  
that, faithfully listening to your Only  
Begotten Son,  
we may be your children in name and  
in truth.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 16

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love,  
and in your kindness  
make those you have nourished  
by this one heavenly Bread  
one in mind and heart.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 23

*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, receiving the grace  
by which you bring us to new life,  
we may always glory in your gift.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## JANUARY 30

*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Nourished by these redeeming gifts,  
we pray, O Lord,  
that through this help to eternal salvation  
true faith may ever increase.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## FEBRUARY 6

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

O God, who have willed that we  
be partakers  
in the one Bread and the one Chalice,  
grant us, we pray, so to live  
that, made one in Christ,  
we may joyfully bear fruit  
for the salvation of the world.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## FEBRUARY 13

*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Having fed upon these heavenly delights,  
we pray, O Lord,  
that we may always long  
for that food by which we truly live.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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## FEBRUARY 20

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that we may experience the effects of  
the salvation  
which is pledged to us by these mysteries.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**FEBRUARY 27**

*Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Nourished by your saving gifts,  
we beseech your mercy, Lord,  
that by this same Sacrament  
with which you feed us in the present age,  
you may make us partakers of life eternal.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**MARCH 2**

*Ash Wednesday*

May the Sacrament we have received  
sustain us, O Lord,  
that our Lenten fast may be pleasing to you  
and be for us a healing remedy.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**MARCH 6**

*First Sunday of Lent*

Renewed now with heavenly bread,  
by which faith is nourished,  
hope increased,  
and charity strengthened,  
we pray, O Lord,  
that we may learn to hunger for Christ,  
the true and living Bread,  
and strive to live by every word  
which proceeds from your mouth.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**MARCH 13**

*Second Sunday of Lent*

As we receive these glorious mysteries,  
we make thanksgiving to you, O Lord,  
for allowing us while still on earth

to be partakers even now of the things  
of heaven.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**MARCH 20**

*Third Sunday of Lent*

As we receive the pledge  
of things yet hidden in heaven  
and are nourished while still on earth  
with the Bread that comes from on high,  
we humbly entreat you, O Lord,  
that what is being brought about in us  
in mystery  
may come to true completion.

Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**MARCH 27**

*Fourth Sunday of Lent*

O God, who enlighten everyone who  
comes into this world,  
illuminate our hearts, we pray,  
with the splendor of your grace,  
that we may always ponder  
what is worthy and pleasing to  
your majesty  
and love you in all sincerity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

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**APRIL 3**

*Fifth Sunday of Lent*

We pray, almighty God,  
that we may always be counted among the  
members of Christ,  
in whose Body and Blood we  
have communion.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

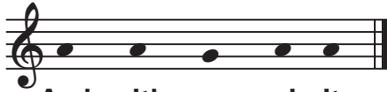
**Amen.**

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# THE CONCLUDING RITES

## GREETING

The Lord be with you.



And with your spir-it.

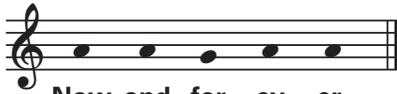
## FINAL BLESSING

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*In a Pontifical Mass, the celebrant says:*

Blessed be the name of the Lord.

*All reply:*



Now and for ev - er.

*The celebrant says:*

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

*All reply:*



Who made heav - en and earth.

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May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, and the Son, † and the Holy Spirit.



A - men.

*A Solemn Blessing or Prayer over the People may be chosen by the Priest, in place of the above blessing.*

## DISMISSAL

*The Deacon/Priest invites all to go in the peace of Christ:*



Go forth, the Mass is end - ed. **Thanks be to God.**

Or

17

Deacon/Priest All



Go and an-nounce the Gos - pel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Or

18

Deacon/Priest All



Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. **Thanks be to God.**

Or

19

Deacon/Priest All



Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

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*A final psalm or hymn may be sung.*

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## PRAYERS

### ACT OF FAITH

O my God, I firmly believe that you are One God in Three Divine Persons, Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit; I believe that your Divine Son became man, and died for our sins, and that he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths which the Holy Catholic Church teaches, because you have revealed them, Who can neither deceive nor be deceived.

### ACT OF LOVE

O my God, I love you above all things, with my whole heart and soul, because you are all-good and worthy of all love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me and ask pardon of all whom I have injured.

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Lord, our God, you sent your Son into the world to bear our infirmities and to endure our sufferings. For your servants who are sick, we ask that your blessing will give them strength to overcome their weakness through the power of patience and the comfort of hope and that with your aid they will soon be restored to health. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### TRUST IN GOD

May nothing disturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass; God does not leave. Patient endurance attains all things. Whoever has God lacks nothing: God alone is enough.

St. Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)

## DAILY MASS READINGS AND PROPERS

*Parenthesized numbers refer to Lectionary sections. For Memorials, when the readings and antiphons of the day may be replaced by readings for the class of saint (martyr, holy men and women, etc.), suggested texts are given for the Responsorial Psalm.*

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### OUR LADY ON SATURDAY

On designated Saturdays, the following texts may be used for an optional memorial in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

*Any readings from 707–712 may be chosen.*

*Suggested Hymns: #125, 693, 704, 126*

**ENTRANCE** (3) *cf. Judith 13:18–19*

**Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, by the Lord God Most High, above all women on the earth; for he has so exalted your name that your praise shall be undying on our lips.**

**RESP.** *Psalm 113:1b–2, 3–4, 5–6, 7 (709.4)*

**℟. Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever.**

*Or* **℟. Alleluia.**

**COMMUNION** *cf. Luke 1:48*

**All generations will call me blessed, for God has looked on his lowly handmaid.**

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### NOVEMBER 26 — FRIDAY

*Suggested Hymns: #301, 128, 322, 129*

**ENTRANCE** *cf. Psalm 85 (84):9*

**The Lord speaks of peace to his people and his holy ones and to those who turn to him.**

**COLLECT**

Stir up the will of your faithful, we pray,

O Lord,

that, striving more eagerly to bring your divine work to fruitful completion, they may receive in greater measure the healing remedies your kindness bestows.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**READING I** *Daniel 7:2–14 (507)*

In a vision I, Daniel, saw during the night, the four winds of heaven stirred up the great sea, from which emerged four immense beasts,

each different from the others. The first was like a lion, but with eagle's wings. While I watched, the wings were plucked; it was raised from the ground to stand on two feet like a man, and given a human mind. The second was like a bear; it was raised up on one side, and among the teeth in its mouth were three tusks. It was given the order, "Up, devour much flesh." After this I looked and saw another beast, like a leopard; on its back were four wings like those of a bird, and it had four heads. To this beast dominion was given. After this, in the visions of the night I saw the fourth beast, different from all the others, terrifying, horrible, and of extraordinary strength; it had great iron teeth with which it devoured and crushed, and what was left it trampled with its feet. I was considering the ten horns it had, when suddenly another, a little horn, sprang out of their midst, and three of the previous horns were torn away to make room for it. This horn had eyes like a man, and a mouth that spoke arrogantly. As I watched,

Thrones were set up

and the Ancient One took his throne.

His clothing was snow bright,

and the hair on his head as white as wool;

His throne was flames of fire, with wheels of burning fire.

A surging stream of fire

flowed out from where he sat;

Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him,

and myriads upon myriads attended him.

The court was convened, and the books were opened. I watched, then, from the first of the arrogant words which the horn spoke, until the beast was slain and its body thrown into the fire to be burnt up. The other beasts, which also lost their dominion, were granted a prolongation of life for a time and a season. As the visions during the night continued, I saw

One like a son of man coming,  
on the clouds of heaven;  
When he reached the Ancient One  
and was presented before him,  
He received dominion, glory,  
and kingship;  
nations and peoples of every language  
serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion  
that shall not be taken away,  
his kingship shall not be destroyed.

**RESP.** *Daniel 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81*

**℟. Give glory and eternal praise to him!**

- ▶ "Mountains and hills, bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all forever." **℟.**
- ▶ "Everything growing from the earth,  
bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all forever." **℟.**
- ▶ "You springs, bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all forever." **℟.**
- ▶ "Seas and rivers, bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all forever." **℟.**
- ▶ "You dolphins and all water creatures,  
bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all forever." **℟.**
- ▶ "All you birds of the air, bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all forever." **℟.**
- ▶ "All you beasts, wild and tame,  
bless the Lord;  
praise and exalt him above all forever." **℟.**

**GOSPEL ACC.** *Luke 21:28*

**℟. Alleluia, alleluia.**

- ▶ Stand erect and raise your heads  
because your redemption is at hand. **℟.**

**GOSPEL** *Luke 21:29–33*

Jesus told his disciples a parable. "Consider the fig tree and all the other trees. When their buds burst open, you see for yourselves and know that summer is now near; in the same way, when you see these things happening, know that the Kingdom of God is near. Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Accept, O Lord, the sacred offerings  
which at your bidding we dedicate to  
your name  
and, in order that through these gifts  
we may become worthy of your love,

grant us unfailing obedience to  
your commands.

Through Christ our Lord.

**COMMUNION** *Psalms 117 (116):1, 2*

**O praise the Lord, all you nations,  
for his merciful love towards us is great.**

*Or Matthew 28:20*

**Behold, I am with you always,  
even to the end of the age, says the Lord.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We pray, almighty God,  
that those to whom you give the joy  
of participating in divine mysteries  
may never be parted from you.  
Through Christ our Lord.

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## NOVEMBER 27 — SATURDAY

*Suggested Hymns: #302, 130, 323, 127*

**ENTRANCE** *cf. Psalm 85 (84):9*

**The Lord speaks of peace to his people  
and his holy ones and to those who turn  
to him.**

**COLLECT**

Stir up the will of your faithful, we pray,  
O Lord,  
that, striving more eagerly  
to bring your divine work to  
fruitful completion,  
they may receive in greater measure  
the healing remedies your  
kindness bestows.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**READING I** *Daniel 7:15–27 (508)*

I, Daniel, found my spirit anguished with-  
in its covering of flesh, and I was terrified  
by the visions of my mind. I approached  
one of those present and asked him what  
all this meant in truth; in answer, he made  
known to me the meaning of the things:  
"These four great beasts stand for four king-  
doms which shall arise on the earth. But the  
holy ones of the Most High shall receive  
the kingship, to possess it forever and ever."

But I wished to make certain about the  
fourth beast, so very terrible and differ-  
ent from the others, devouring and crush-  
ing with its iron teeth and bronze claws,  
and trampling with its feet what was left;

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## RITUAL, VOTIVE AND COMMON MASSES

The Roman Missal, Simple Gradual, and Lectionary offer several options for the propers. Lectionary sections for readings, Responsorial Psalms, Gospel Acclamations and Gospels are listed after readings. The parenthesized numbers in the responsorial refer to the particular responsorial in that Lectionary section.

### FOR THE SICK

**ENTRANCE** *Psalm 6:3–4*

Have mercy on me, Lord, for I languish;  
Lord, heal me; my bones are trembling,  
and my soul is greatly shaken.

**READINGS** *nos. 933–937*

**RESP.** (2) *Psalm 102:2–3, 24–25, 19–21*

☩ O Lord, hear my prayer,  
and let my cry come to you.

**COMMUNION** *Colossians 1:24*

In my flesh I am completing what is lacking  
in the afflictions of Christ on behalf  
of his body, which is the Church.

### THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST

**ENTRANCE** *Psalm 78 (77):23–25*

The Lord opened the gates of heaven,  
and rained down manna upon them to  
eat, and gave them bread from heaven:  
man ate the bread of angels.

**READINGS** *nos. 976–981*

**RESP.** (2) *Psalm 34:2–3, 4–5, 6–7, 8–9, 10–11*

☩ Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Or

☩ Alleluia.

**COMMUNION** *John 6:51–52*

I am the living bread, that came down  
from heaven, says the Lord. Whoever  
eats of this bread will live for ever, and  
the bread that I will give is my flesh for  
the life of the world.

### FOR VOCATIONS TO HOLY ORDERS

**ENTRANCE** *Matthew 9:38*

Ask the Lord of the harvest to send  
out laborers for his harvest, says Jesus to  
his disciples.

**READINGS** *nos. 848–851 or 857–861*

**RESP.** (2) *Psalm 27:1, 4, 5, 8b–9ab, 9cd & 11*

☩ I long to see your face, O Lord.

**COMMUNION** *1 John 3:16*

By this we came to know the love of God:  
that Christ laid down his life for us; so we  
ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

### THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

**ENTRANCE** *Psalm 33 (32):11, 19*

The designs of his Heart are from age to  
age, to rescue their souls from death, and  
to keep them alive in famine.

**READINGS** *nos. 995–1000*

**RESP.** (6) *Psalm 103:1–2, 3–4, 6–7, 8 & 10*

☩ The Lord's kindness is everlasting  
to those who fear him.

**COMMUNION** *cf. John 7:37–38*

Thus says the Lord: Let whoever is thirsty  
come to me and drink. Streams of living  
water will flow from within the one who  
believes in me.

Several Votive and Common Masses are also used during the liturgical year:

**For Giving Thanks for the Gift of Human Life, January 22** . . . . .p. 181  
**Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary** . . . . . p. 122



1. Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Show the  
 2. Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the  
 3. Won - drous birth! O won - drous child Of the  
 4. God Cre - a - tor is his source, Back to  
 5. Now your low - ly man - ger bright Hal - lows



1. glo - ry of the Son! Mar - vel now, O  
 2. spir - it of our God Was the word of  
 3. Vir - gin un - de - filed! Might - y God and  
 4. God he runs his course, Down to death and  
 5. night with new - born light; Let no night this



1. heav'n and earth, That our Lord chose such a birth.  
 2. God made flesh, Wom - an's off - spring, pure and fresh.  
 3. man in one, Ea - ger now his race to run!  
 4. hell de - scends, God's high throne he re - as - cends.  
 5. light sub - due, Let our faith shine ev - er new.

Text: 77 77; *Veni, Redemptor gentium*; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, after St. Ambrose of Milan, 340–397;

Verses 1–3a tr. by William M. Reynolds, 1842–1876; Verses 3b–5 tr. by Martin L. Seltz, 1909–1967, alt.

Music: *Geystliche Gesangk Büchleyn*, Wittenberg, 1524.



1. See how the Vir - gin waits for him; Ma - ry in won - der  
 2. Gent - ly she hears the dis - tant breeze sway - ing the sil - ver  
 3. Now a new pat - tern on the loom; now a new pres - ence



1. waits for him. Shake off your slum - ber: come all full of  
 2. ol - ive trees. What is she think - ing as the sun is  
 3. in the room. Wak - ing or sleep - ing, all her love she's



1. won - der. Je - sus is com - ing as the Prince of Peace.  
 2. sink - ing, wait - ing the birth - day of her first - born Son?  
 3. keep - ing, wait - ing the com - ing of the Son of God.

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