

The Mass of Paul VI
also called the
Novus Ordo Eucharistic Rite

Introductory Rites

Entrance Song

Stand

The Entrance Song of the day is said. If desired, another Psalm or hymn of similar spirit may be used in its place.

The priest comes to the altar, he makes the customary reverence with the ministers, kisses the altar and (if incense is used) incenses it. Then, with the ministers, he goes to the chair.

Greeting

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

People: Amen.

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Or:

Priest: The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: Blessed be God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Or this:

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

If a Bishop is the Celebrant:

Bishop: Peace be with you.

The priest, deacon, or other suitable minister may very briefly introduce the Mass of the day.

The Asperges

This rite of blessing and sprinkling of holy water may replace the Penitential Rite and the Kyrie at Sunday Masses

After greeting the people the priest remains standing. A vessel containing the water to be blessed is placed before him. Facing the people, he invites them to pray, using these or similar words:

Priest: Dear friends, this water will be used to remind us of our baptism. Let us ask God to bless it, and to keep us faithful to the Spirit he has given us.

A brief silence

Priest: God our Father, your gift of water brings life and freshness to the earth; it washes away our sins and brings us eternal life.

We ask you now to bless + this water, and to give us your protection on this day which you have made your own. Renew the living spring of your life within us and protect us in spirit and body, that we may be free from sin and come into your presence to receive your gift of salvation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Or:

Priest: Lord God almighty, creator of all life, of body and soul, we ask you to bless + this water: as we use it in faith forgive our sins and save us from all illness and the power of evil.

Lord, in your mercy give us living water, always springing up as a fountain of salvation: free us, body and soul, from every danger, and admit us to your presence in purity of heart.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Or (during the Easter season):

Priest: Lord God almighty, hear the prayers of your people: we celebrate our creation and redemption. Hear our prayers and bless + this water which gives fruitfulness to the fields, and refreshment and cleansing to man. You chose water to show your goodness when you led your people to freedom through the Red Sea and satisfied their thirst in the desert with water from the rock. Water was the symbol used by the prophets to foretell your new covenant with man. You made the water of baptism holy by Christ's baptism in the Jordan: by it you give us a new birth and renew us in holiness. May this water remind us of our baptism, and let us share the joy of all who have been baptized at Easter.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Where it is customary, salt may be mixed with the holy water. The priest blesses the salt, saying:

Priest: Almighty God, we ask you to bless + this salt as once you blessed the salt scattered over the water by the prophet Elisha. Wherever this salt and water are sprinkled, drive away the power of evil, and protect us always by the presence of your Holy Spirit.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Then he pours the salt into the water in silence.

Taking the sprinkler, the priest sprinkles himself and his ministers, then the rest of the clergy and the people. He may move through the church for the sprinkling of the people. Meanwhile, an antiphon or another appropriate song is sung.

Outside the Easter Season:

Priest: Cleanse us, Lord, from all our sins; wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow.

I will pour clean water over you and wash away all your defilement. A new heart will I give you, says the Lord.

Praised be the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: a God so merciful and kind. He has given us a new birth, a living hope, by raising Jesus his Son from death. Salvation is our undying inheritance, preserved for us in heaven, salvation at the end of time.

In the Easter Season:

Priest: I saw water flowing from the right side of the temple, alleluia. It brought God's life and his salvation, and the people sang in joyful praise: alleluia, alleluia.

You are a people God claims as his own to praise him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, from your wounded side flowed streams of cleansing water: the world was washed of all its sin, all life made new again, alleluia.

Priest: May almighty God cleanse us of our sin, and through the Eucharist we celebrate make us worthy to sit at his table in his heavenly kingdom.

People: Amen.

When it is prescribed, the Gloria (see below) is then sung or said.

Penitential Rite

After the introduction to the day's Mass, the priest invites the people to recall their sins and to repent of them in silence

Priest: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

A pause for silent reflection follows.

After the silence, one of the following three forms is chosen:

People: I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault (*they strike their breast*) in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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

People: **Amen.**

Or:

Priest: Lord we have sinned against you:

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord, show us your mercy and love.

People: **And grant us your salvation.**

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

People: **Amen.**

Or this:

Priest: You were sent to heal the contrite: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: You plead for us at the right hand of the Father: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

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

People: **Amen.**

Kyrie

The Kyrie is said, unless it has already been use in the Penitential Rite.

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Priest: Christ, have mercy.

People: **Christ, have mercy.**

Priest: Lord, have mercy.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Gloria

This hymn is said or sung on Sundays, but not during Advent or Lent.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*The priest says the **Collect**, or **Proper**, of the day.*

Afterwards the priest, with hands joined, sings or says:

Priest: .Let us pray

Here the Priest says the Opening Prayer of the day.

People: Amen.

Sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

At the end of the Reading:

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Second Reading

At the end of the Reading:

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia or Gospel Acclamation

Stand

Gospel

If incense is used, the priest puts some in the censer. If the Gospel is proclaimed by a deacon, the deacon bows to the priest and says in a soft voice:

Deacon: Father, give me your blessing.

Priest: *(in a soft voice)* The Lord be in your heart and on your lips that you may worthily proclaim his gospel. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

Deacon: Amen.

If there is no deacon, the priest bows before the altar and says in a soft voice:

Priest: Almighty God, cleanse my heart and my lips that I may worthily proclaim your gospel.

Then the deacon or the priest goes to the lectern.

Priest or Deacon: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest or Deacon: A reading from the holy gospel according to N.

He makes the sign of the cross on the book, and then on his forehead, lips and breast.

People: **Glory to you, Lord.**

Then, if incense is used, the deacon or priest incenses the book, and proclaims the gospel.

At the end of the gospel:

Priest or Deacon: This is the gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

The Deacon or Priest kisses the book, saying softly:

Priest or Deacon: May the words of the gospel wipe away our sins.

Homily

Sit

A homily shall be given on all Sundays and holy days of obligation; it is recommended for other days.

The Profession of Faith

Stand

After the homily, the Profession of Faith is said on Sundays and solemnities; it may also be said in solemn local celebrations.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, one in Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

All bow during these two lines. All kneel during the words "and became man" for all Christmas Masses:

by the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered, died, and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

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

General Intercessions

Then follow the general intercessions (prayers of the faithful). The priest presides at the prayer. After each intercession, The people say:

People: Lord have mercy

Or:

People: Lord, hear our prayer

Or this:

People: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar and of the Gifts

Sit

After the liturgy of the word, the offertory song is begun. Meanwhile the ministers place the corporal, the purificator, the chalice, and the missal on the altar.

Sufficient hosts (and wine) for the communion of the faithful are to be prepared. It is most important that the faithful should receive the body of the Lord in hosts consecrated at the same Mass and should share the cup when it is permitted. Communion is thus a clearer sign of sharing in the sacrifice which is actually taking place.

It is desirable that the participation of the faithful be expressed by members of the congregation bringing up the bread and wine for the celebration of the eucharist or other gifts for the needs of the Church and the poor.

The priest says aloud:

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

Then he places the paten with the bread on the corporal.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

The deacon (or the priest) pours wine and a little water into the chalice saying quietly:

Priest or **Deacon** (*quietly*) : By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Priest (*aloud*): Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

Then he replaces the chalice on the corporal.

People: Blessed be God for ever.

The priest bows and says quietly:

Priest: Lord God, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.

He may now incense the offerings and the altar. Afterwards the deacon or a minister incenses the priest and people.

Next the priest stands at the side of the altar and washes his hands, saying quietly:

Priest: (*quietly*) Lord, wash away my iniquity; cleanse me from my sin.

Standing at the center of the altar, facing the people, he extends and then joins his hands, saying:

Priest (*aloud*): Pray, brethren, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: 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 Church.

Prayer Over the Gifts

With hands extended, the priest sings or says the prayer over the gifts, at the end of which the people respond:

People: Amen.

Stand

Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The priest continues the preface with hands extended. The preface varies according to the season, feast, or occasion that is celebrated and which Eucharistic prayer is used. Eucharistic Prayer III may be used with any of the prefaces.

Prefaces

The priest proclaims one of the following or another Preface:

Preface usually used with Eucharistic Prayer II:

Priest: Father, it is our duty and our salvation always and everywhere to give you thanks through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. He is the Word through whom you made the universe, the Savior you sent to redeem us. By the power of the Holy Spirit, he took flesh and was born of the Virgin Mary. For our sake he opened his arms on the cross; he put an end to death and revealed the resurrection. In this he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people. And so we join the angels and the saints in proclaiming your glory as we say:

Continue with the Preface Acclamation

Preface always used with Eucharistic Prayer IV:

Priest: Father in heaven, it is right that we should give you thanks and glory: you are the one God, living and true. Through all eternity you live in unapproachable light. Source of all goodness, you have created all things, to fill your creatures with every blessing and lead all men to the joyful vision of your light. Countless hosts of angels stand before you to do your will; they look upon your splendor and praise you, night and day. United with them, and in the name of every creature under heaven, we too praise your glory as we say:

Continue with the Preface Acclamation

Preface always for Eucharistic Prayer Reconciliation I:

Priest: Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks and praise. You never cease to call us to a new and more abundant life. God of love and mercy, you are always ready to forgive; we are sinners and you invite us to trust in your mercy.

Time and time again we broke your covenant but you did not abandon us. Instead, through your Son, Jesus our Lord, you bound yourself even more closely to the human family by a bond that can never be broken.

Now is the time for your people to turn back to you and to be renewed in Christ your Son, a time of grace and reconciliation. You invite us to serve the family of mankind by opening our hearts to the fullness of your Holy Spirit.

In wonder and gratitude, we join our voices with the choirs of heaven to we proclaim the power of your love and sing of our salvation in Christ:

Continue with the Preface Acclamation

Preface always for Eucharistic Prayer Reconciliation II:

Priest: Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we praise and thank you through Jesus Christ our Lord for your presence and action in the world.

In the midst of conflict and division, we know it is you who turn our minds to thoughts of peace. Your Spirit changes our hearts: enemies begin to speak to one another, those who were estranged join hands in friendship, and nations seek the way of peace together.

Your Spirit is at work when understanding puts an end to strife, when hatred is quenched by mercy, and vengeance gives way to forgiveness.

For this we should never cease to thank and praise you. We join with all the choirs of heaven as they sing for ever to your glory:

Continue with the Preface Acclamation

Preface Acclamation

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Kneel

Eucharistic Prayer I

In the first Eucharistic prayer the words in parentheses may be omitted.

Priest: We come to your, Father, with praise and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ your Son. Through him we ask you to accept and bless these gifts we offer you in sacrifice. We offer them for your holy catholic Church, watch over it, Lord, and guide it; grant it peace and unity throughout the world. We offer them for John Paul our Pope, for {name of Bishop in your diocese} our bishop, and for all who hold and teach the catholic faith that comes to us from the apostles.

Remember, Lord, your people, especially those for whom we now pray, {names}. Remember all of us gathered here before you. You know how firmly we believe in you and dedicate ourselves to you. We offer you this sacrifice of praise for ourselves and those who are dear to us. We pray to you, our living and true God, for our well-being and redemption.

In union with the whole Church we honor Mary, the ever-virgin mother of Jesus Christ our Lord and God. We honor Joseph, her husband, the apostles and martyrs Peter and Paul, Andrew [James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Jude; we honor Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian] and all the saints. May their merits and prayers gain us your constant help and protection. [Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

Father, accept this offering from your whole family. Grant us your peace in this life, save us from final damnation, and count us among those you have chosen. [Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

Bless and approve our offering; make it acceptable to you, and offering in spirit and in truth. Let it become for us the body and blood of Jesus Christ, your only Son, our Lord.

The day before he suffered he took break in his sacred hands and looking up to heaven, to you, his almighty Father, he gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.

When supper was ended, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples, and said: Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Continue with the Memorial Acclamation

Eucharistic Prayer II

Priest: Lord, you are holy indeed, the fountain of all holiness. Let your Spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Before he was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread and gave you thanks, He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and eat it; this is my body which will be given up for you.

When the supper was ended, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it; this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Continue with the Memorial Acclamation

Eucharistic Prayer III

Priest: Father, you are holy indeed, and all creation rightly gives you praise. All life, all holiness comes from you through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, by the working of the Holy Spirit. From age to age you gather a people to yourself, so that from east to west a perfect offering may be made to the glory of your name.

And so, Father, we bring you these gifts. We ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the body and blood of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate this Eucharist.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.

When supper was ended, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Eucharistic Prayer IV

Priest: Father, we acknowledge your greatness: all your actions show your wisdom and love. You formed man in your own likeness and set him over the whole world to serve you, his creator, and to rule over all creatures. Even when he disobeyed you and lost your friendship you did not abandon him to the power of death, but helped all men to seek and find you. Again and again you offered a covenant to man, and through the prophets taught him to hope for salvation.

Father, you so loved the world that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. He was conceived through the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, a man like us in all things but sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation, to prisoners, freedom, and to those in sorrow, joy. In fulfillment of your will he gave himself up to death; but by rising from the dead, he destroyed death and restored life. And that we might live no longer for ourselves but for him, he sent the Holy Spirit from you, Father, as his first gift to those who believe, to complete his work on earth and bring us the fullness of grace. Father may this Holy Spirit sanctify these offerings. Let them become the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord as we celebrate the great mystery which he left us as an everlasting covenant. He always loved those who were his own in the world. When the time came for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, he showed the depth of his love. While they were at supper, he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.

In the same way, he took the cup, filled with wine. He gave you thanks, and giving the cup to his disciples, said:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Continue with the Memorial Acclamation

Eucharistic Prayer for Masses of Reconciliation I

Priest: Father, from the beginning of time you have always done what is good for man so that we may be holy as you are holy.

Look with kindness on your people gathered here before you: send forth the power of your Spirit so that these gifts may become for us the body and blood of your beloved Son, Jesus the Christ, in whom we have become your sons and daughters.

When we were lost and could not find the way to you, you loved us more than ever: Jesus, you Son, innocent and without sin, gave himself into our hands, and was nailed to a cross. Yet, before he stretched out his arms between heaven and earth in the everlasting sign of your covenant, he desired to celebrate the Paschal feast in the company of his disciples.

While they were at supper, he took bread and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.

At the end of the meal, knowing he was to reconcile all things in himself by the blood of his cross, he took the cup, filled with wine. Again he gave you thanks, handed the cup to his friends, and said:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Continue with the Memorial Acclamation

Eucharistic Prayer for Masses of Reconciliation II

Priest: God of power and might, we praise you through your Son, Jesus Christ, who comes in your name. He is the Word that brings salvation. He is the hand you stretch out to sinners. He is the way that leads to your peace. God our Father, we had wandered far from you, but through your Son you have brought us back. You gave him up to death so that we might turn again to you and find our way to one another. Therefore we celebrate the reconciliation Christ has gained for us. We ask you to sanctify these gifts by the power of your Spirit, as we now fulfill your Son's command.

While he was at supper on the night before he died for us, he took bread in his hands, and gave you thanks and praise. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which will be given up for you.

At the end of the meal he took the cup. Again he praised you for your goodness, gave the cup to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me.

Continue with the Memorial Acclamation

Memorial Acclamation

Priest: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

People (*one of the following*):

- 1. Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**
- 2. Dying, you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.**
- 3. When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.**
- 4. Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free. You are the Savior of the world.**

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Eucharistic Prayer I, continued

Priest: Father, we celebrate the memory of Christ, your Son. We, your people and your ministers, recall his passion, his resurrection from the dead, and his ascension into glory; and from the many gifts you have given us we offer to you, God of glory and majesty, this holy and perfect sacrifice: the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation.

Look with favor on these offerings and accept them as once you accepted the gifts of your servant Abel, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the bread and wine offered by your priest Melchizedek.

Almighty God, we pray that your angel may take this sacrifice to your altar in heaven. Then, as we receive from this altar the sacred body and blood of your Son, let us be filled with every grace and blessing. [Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially those for whom we now pray, {names deceased loved ones whom the celebrant or parishioner wishes to offer before God}. May these, and all who sleep in Christ, find in your presence light, happiness, and peace. [Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

For ourselves, too, we ask some share in the fellowship of your apostles and martyrs, with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, [Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia] and all the saints. Though we are sinners, we trust in your mercy and love. Do not consider what we truly deserve, but grant us your forgiveness. Through Christ our Lord.

Through him you give us all these gifts. You fill them with life and goodness, you bless them and make them holy.

Continue with the Doxology

Eucharistic Prayer II, continued

Priest: In memory of his death and resurrection, we offer you, Father, this life-giving bread, this saving cup. We thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. May all of us who share in the body and blood of Christ be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.

Lord, remember your Church throughout the world; make us grow in love, together with John Paul our Pope, {name} our bishop, and all the clergy. Remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again; bring them and all the departed into the light of your presence. Have mercy on us all; make us worthy to share eternal life with Mary, the virgin Mother of God, with the apostles, and with all the saints who have done your will throughout the ages. May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Continue with the Doxology

Eucharistic Prayer III, continued

Priest: Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation, his glorious resurrection and ascension into heaven, and ready to greet him when he comes again, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice. Look with favor on your Church's offering, and see the Victim whose death has reconciled us to yourself. Grant that we, who are nourished by his body and blood, may be filled with his Holy Spirit, and become one body, one spirit in Christ. May he make us an everlasting gift to you and enable us to share in the inheritance of your saints,

with Mary, the virgin Mother of God, with the apostles, the martyrs, and all your saints, on whose constant intercession we rely for help.

Lord, may this sacrifice, which has made our peace with you, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Stengthen in faith and love your pilgrim Church on earth; your servant, Pope John Paul, our Bishop *{name of bishop}*, and all the bishops, with the clergy and the entire people your son has gathered here before you. In mercy and love unite all you children wherever they may be. Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters, and all who have left this world in your friendship. We hope to enjoy for ever the vision of your glory, through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come.

Continue with the Doxology

Eucharistic Prayer IV, continued

Priest: Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. We recall Christ's death, his descent among the dead, his resurrection, and his ascension to your right hand; and, looking forward to his coming in glory, we offer you his body and blood, the acceptable sacrifice which brings salvation to the whole world.

Lord, look upon this sacrifice which you have given to your Church; and by your Holy Spirit, gather all who share this one bread and one cup into the one body of Christ, a living sacrifice of praise.

Lord, remember those for whom we offer this sacrifice, especially John Paul our Pope, *{name of bishop}*, our bishop, and bishops and clergy everywhere. Remember those who take part in this offering, those here present and all your people, and all who seek you with a sincere heart. Remember those who have died in the peace of Christ and all the dead whose faith is known to you alone. Father, in your mercy grant also to us, your children, to enter into our heavenly inheritance in the company of the Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, and your apostles and saints. Then, in your kingdom, freed from the corruption of sin and death, we shall sing your glory with every creature through Christ our Lord, through whom you give us everything that is good.

Continue with the Doxology

Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation I, continued

Priest: We do this in memory of Jesus Christ, our Passover and our lasting peace. We celebrate his death and resurrection and look for the coming of that day when he will return to give us the fullness of joy. Therefore, we offer you, God ever faithful and true, the sacrifice which restores man to your friendship.

Father look with love on those you have called to share in the one sacrifice of Christ. By the power of your Holy Spirit make them one body, healed of all division.

Keep us all in communion of mind and heart with N., our pope, and N., our bishop. Help us to work together for the coming of your kingdom, until at last we stand in your presence to share in

the life of the saints, in the company of the Virgin Mary and the apostles, and of our departed brothers and sisters whom we commend to your mercy.

Then, freed from every shadow of death, we shall take our place in the new creation and give you thanks with Christ, our risen Lord.

Continue with the Doxology

Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II, continued

Priest: Lord our God, your Son has entrusted to us this pledge of his love. We celebrate the memory of this death and resurrection and bring you the gift you have given us, the sacrifice of reconciliation. Therefore, we ask you, Father, to accept us, together with your Son.

Fill us with his Spirit through our sharing in this meal. May he take away all that divides us.

May this Spirit keep us always in communion with John Paul, our Pope, *{name of bishop}* our bishop, with all the bishops and all your people. Father, make your Church throughout the world a sign of unity and an instrument of your peace.

You have gathered us here around the table of your Son, in fellowship with the Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and all the saints.

In that new world where the fullness of your peace will be revealed, gather people of every race, language and way of life to share in the one eternal banquet with Jesus Christ the Lord.

Continue with the Doxology

Doxology

Through him, with him, in him,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Stand

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

The priest sets down the chalice and paten and with hands joined sings or says one of the following:

Priest: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us.

Or:

Priest: Jesus taught us to call God our Father, and so we have the courage to say:

Or:

Priest: Let us ask the Father to forgive our sins and to bring us to forgive those who sin against us.

Or this:

Priest: Let us pray for the coming of the kingdom as Jesus taught us.

He extends his hands and he continues, with the people:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

With hands extended, the priest continues alone:

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

He joins his hands.

The people end the prayer with the acclamation:

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

Sign of Peace

Then the priest, with hands extended, says aloud:

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

People: Amen.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us offer each other a sign of peace.

All make an appropriate sign of peace, according to local custom.

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

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

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

He takes the host and breaks it. He places a small piece in the chalice, saying quietly:

Priest: May this mingling of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit your death brought life to the world. By your holy body and blood free me from all my sins, and from every evil. Keep me faithful to your teaching, and never let me be parted from you.

Or:

Lord Jesus Christ, with faith in your love and mercy I eat your body and drink your blood. Let it not bring me condemnation, but health in mind and body.

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Communion

Priest: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

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

Priest: *(quietly)* May the body of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

He reverently consumes the body of Christ.

Priest: *(quietly)* May the blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

He reverently drinks the blood of Christ.

The priest or other minister distributing the eucharistic bread takes a host for each communicant, raises it a little, and shows it, saying:

Priest: The body of Christ.

Communicant: **Amen.**

If Communion is given in both kinds:

Priest: The blood of Christ.

Communicant: **Amen.**

Communion Song

The vessels are cleansed by the priest, deacon, acolyte or other lawfully instituted minister after the communion or after Mass, if possible at the side table.

Priest: (quietly) Lord, may I receive these gifts in purity of heart. May they bring me healing and strength, now and for ever.

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

Prayer After Communion

Priest: Let us pray.

The priest says the Proper of the day. At the end, the people say:

People: Amen.

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Dismissal

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

1. Simple Blessing

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son,+and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

2. Solemn blessing:

Deacon: Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.

The priest then says one of the forms of solemn blessings. The priest always concludes the solemn blessing by adding:

Priest: May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son,+and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

3. Prayer over the people

The priest says one of the various prayers over the people. After the prayer over the people, the priest always adds:

Priest: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son,+and the Holy Spirit, come upon you and remain with you for ever.

People: Amen.

The deacon (or the priest), with hands joined, sings or says:

Priest or **Deacon**: Go in the peace of Christ.

Or:

Priest or **Deacon**: The Mass is ended, go in peace.

Or this:

Priest or **Deacon**: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The priest kisses the altar as at the beginning. Then he makes the customary reverence with the ministers and leaves.