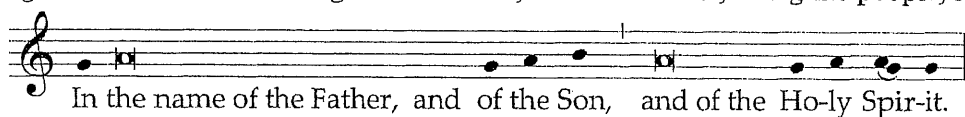

THE ORDER OF MASS

The Introductory Rites

1. When the people are gathered, the Priest approaches the altar with the ministers while the Entrance Chant is sung.

When he has arrived at the altar, after making a profound bow with the ministers, the Priest venerates the altar with a kiss and, if appropriate, incenses the cross and the altar. Then, with the ministers, he goes to the chair.

When the Entrance Chant is concluded, the Priest and the faithful, standing, sign themselves with the Sign of the Cross, while the Priest, facing the people, says:



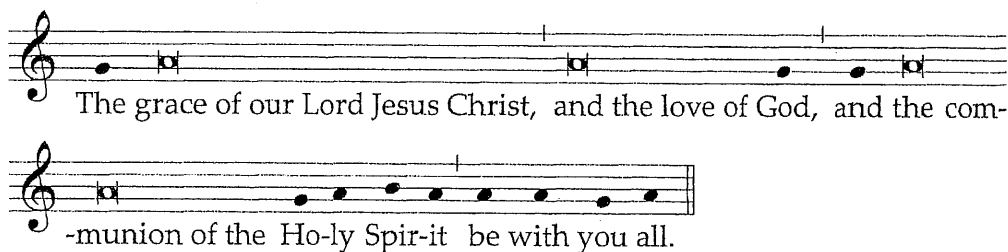
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The people reply:



Amen.

2. Then the Priest, extending his hands, greets the people, saying:



The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

Or:

Grace to you and peace from God our Fa-ther and the Lord Je-sus
Christ.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Or:

The Lord be with you.

The Lord be with you.

The people reply:

And with your spir-it.

And with your spirit.

In this first greeting, a Bishop, in place of The Lord be with you, says:

Peace be with you.

Peace be with you.

3. The Priest, or a deacon, or another minister, may very briefly introduce the faithful to the Mass of the day.

Penitential Act *

4. Then follows the Penitential Act, to which the Priest invites the faithful, saying:

Brethren (Brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so
prepare ourselves to celebrate the sa-cred mys-ter-ies.

Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows. After this, all recite together the formula of general confession:

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue:
therefore 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.

The absolution of the Priest follows:

May almighty God have mercy on us, for-give us our sins and bring us to
ev-er-last-ing life.

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

* From time to time on Sundays, especially in Easter Time, instead of the customary Penitential Act, the blessing and sprinkling of water may take place (as in Appendix II, pp. 000-000) as a reminder of Baptism.

The people reply:

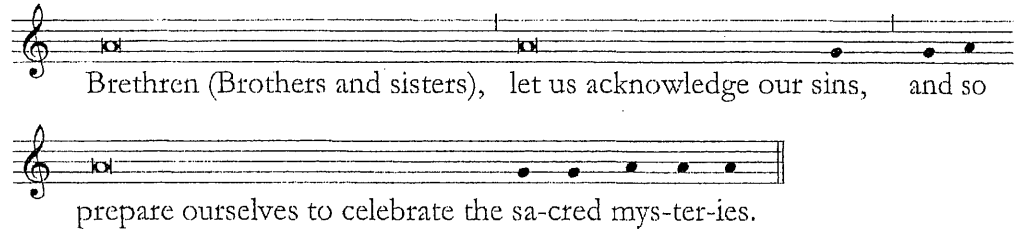


A-men.

Amen.

Or:

5. The Priest invites the faithful to make the Penitential Act:

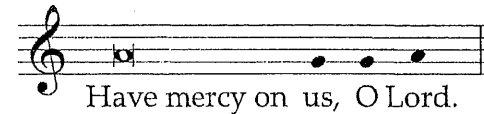


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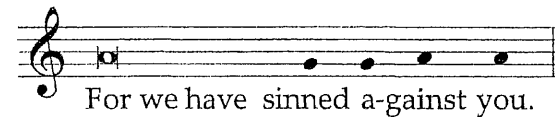
A brief pause for silence follows. The Priest then says:



Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

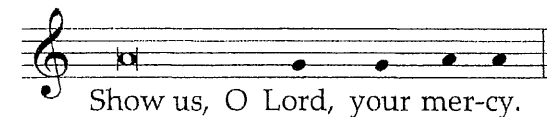
The people reply:



For we have sinned a-gainst you.

For we have sinned against you.

The Priest:



Show us, O Lord, your mer-cy.

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

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

The people reply:
Lord, have mercy.

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

The people:
Christ, have mercy.

The Priest:
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord,
have mercy.

The people:
Lord, have mercy.

The absolution by the Priest follows:

May almighty God have mercy on us, for-give us our sins and bring us to
ev-er-last-ing life.

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

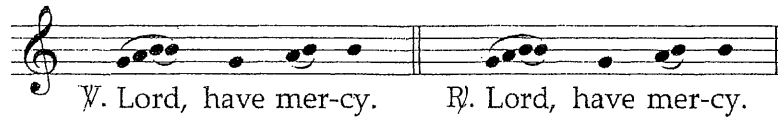
The people reply:

A-men.

Amen.

7. The Kyrie (Lord, have mercy) invocations follow, unless they have just occurred in a formula of the Penitential Act.

V. Lord, have mer-cy. R/. Lord, have mer-cy.
V. Christ, have mer-cy. R/. Christ, have mer-cy.



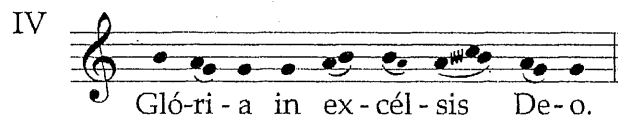
V. Lord, have mercy. R. Lord, have mercy.
 V. Christ, have mercy. R. Christ, have mercy.
 V. Lord, have mercy. R. Lord, have mercy.

Or:

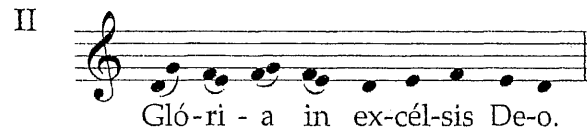
V. Kyrie, eleison. R. Kyrie, eleison.
 V. Christe, eleison. R. Christe, eleison.
 V. Kyrie, eleison. R. Kyrie, eleison.

8. Then, when it is prescribed, this hymn is either sung or said:

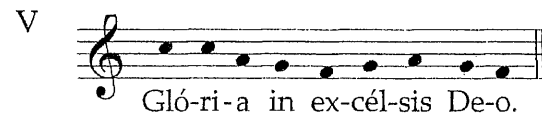
Tempore paschali (Missa I)



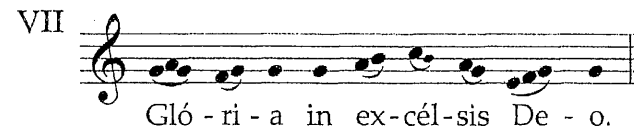
Dominicis per annum (Missa XI)



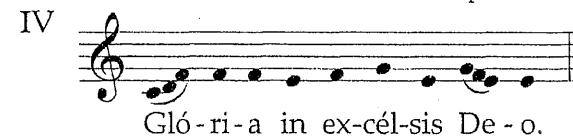
In sollemnitatibus et festis (Missa VIII)



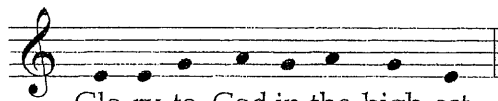
In festis B.V. Mariae (Missa IX)



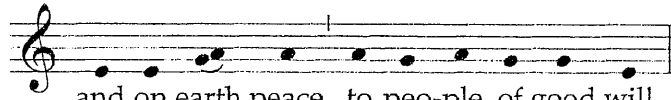
In festis apostolorum (Missa IV)



Or:



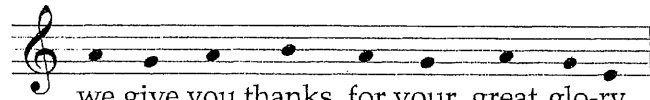
Glo-ry to God in the high-est,



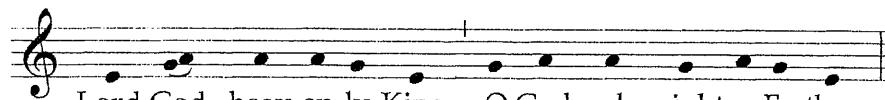
and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.



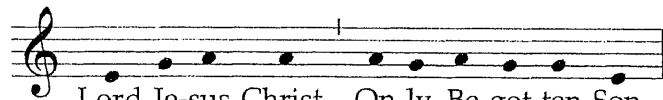
We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,



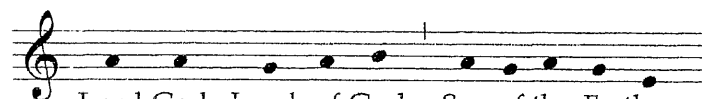
we give you thanks for your great glo-ry,



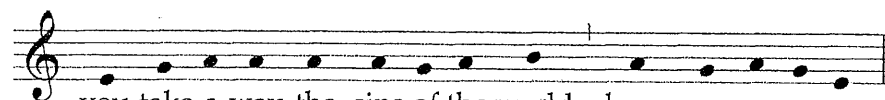
Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther.



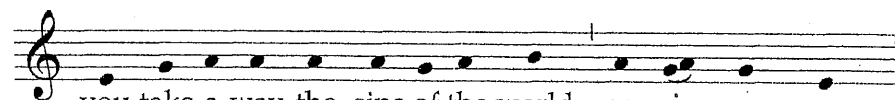
Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son,



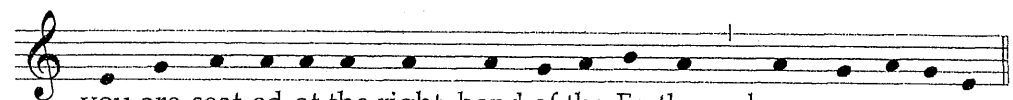
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,



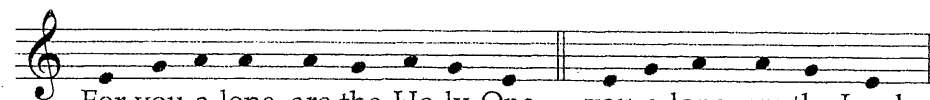
you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us;



you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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.

9. When this hymn is concluded, the Priest, with hands joined, says:
 Let us pray.

And all pray in silence with the Priest for a moment.

Then the Priest, with hands extended, says the Collect prayer, at the end of
 which the people acclaim:

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

10. Then the reader goes to the ambo and reads the first reading, while all sit and listen.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaim:

The Word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

11. The psalmist or cantor sings or says the Psalm, with the people making the response.

12. After this, if there is to be a second reading, a reader reads it from the ambo, as above.

To indicate the end of the reading, the reader acclaim:

The Word of the Lord.

All reply:

Thanks be to God.

13. There follows the Alleluia or another chant laid down by the rubrics, as the liturgical time requires.

14. Meanwhile, if incense is used, the Priest puts some into the thurible. After this, the Deacon who is to proclaim the Gospel, bowing profoundly before the Priest, asks for the blessing, saying in a low voice:

Your blessing, Father.

The Priest says in a low voice:

May the Lord be in your heart and on your lips
that you may proclaim his Gospel worthily and well,
in the name of the Father and of the Son ✠ and of the Holy Spirit.

The Deacon signs himself with the Sign of the Cross and replies:

Amen.

If, however, a Deacon is not present, the Priest, bowing before the altar, says quietly:

Cleanse my heart and my lips, almighty God,
that I may worthily proclaim your holy Gospel.

15. The Deacon, or the Priest, then proceeds to the ambo, accompanied, if appropriate, by ministers with incense and candles.

There he says:

The Lord be with you.

The people reply:

And with your spirit.

The Deacon, or the Priest:
A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.,

and, at the same time, he makes the Sign of the Cross on the book and on his forehead, lips, and breast.

The people acclaim:
Glory to you, O Lord.

Then the Deacon, or the Priest, incenses the book, if incense is used, and proclaims the Gospel.


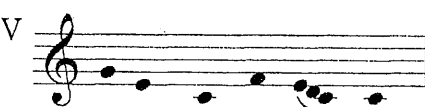
16. At the end of the Gospel, the Deacon, or the Priest, acclaim:
The Gospel of the Lord.

All reply:
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then he kisses the book, saying quietly:
Through the words of the Gospel may our sins be wiped away.

17. Then follows the homily, which must be preached by a Priest or Deacon on all Sundays and holydays of obligation; on other days, it is recommended.

18. At the end of the homily, the Symbol or Profession of Faith or Creed, when prescribed, is sung or said:

Intonatio communis	Credo III
IV 	V 
I be-lieve in one God.	I be-lieve in one God.

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.

19. Instead of the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed, especially during Lent and Easter time, the baptismal Symbol of the Roman Church, known as the Apostles' Creed, may be used.

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 from 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.

20. Then follows the Universal Prayer, that is, the Prayer of the Faithful or Bidding Prayers.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

99. Although it is provided with its own Preface, this Eucharistic Prayer may also be used with other Prefaces, especially those that present an overall view of the mystery of salvation, such as the Common Prefaces.

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. And with your spirit.

℣. Lift up your hearts.

℟. We lift them up to the Lord.

℣. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

℟. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and 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:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.

100. The Priest, with hands extended, says:

You are indeed Holy, O Lord,
the fount of all holiness.

101. He joins his hands and, holding them extended over the offerings, says:

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,
by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall,

He joins his hands and makes the Sign of the Cross once over the bread and the chalice together, saying:
so that they may become for us
the Body and ✠ Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

He joins his hands.

102. In the formulas that follow, the words of the Lord should be pronounced clearly and distinctly, as the nature of these words requires.

At the time he was betrayed
and entered willingly into his Passion,

He takes the bread and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, continues:
he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

He bows slightly.

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

He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it again on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.

103. After this, he continues:

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

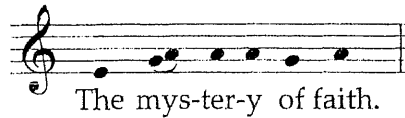
He takes the chalice and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, continues:
he took the chalice
and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying:

He bows slightly.

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY **B**LOOD,
THE **B**LOOD OF THE NEW AND **E**TERNAL COVENANT,
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

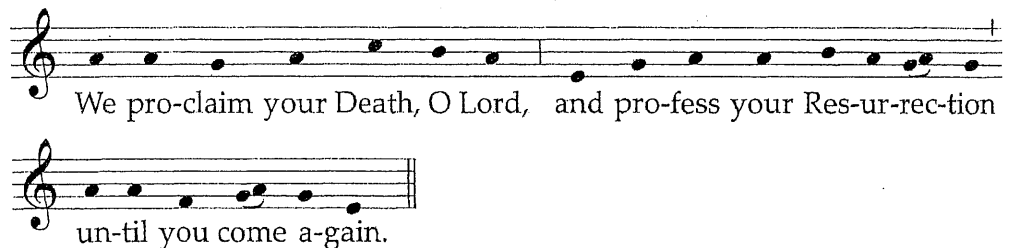
He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration.

104. Then he says:



The mystery of faith.

And the people continue, acclaiming:



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.

105. Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:

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.

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

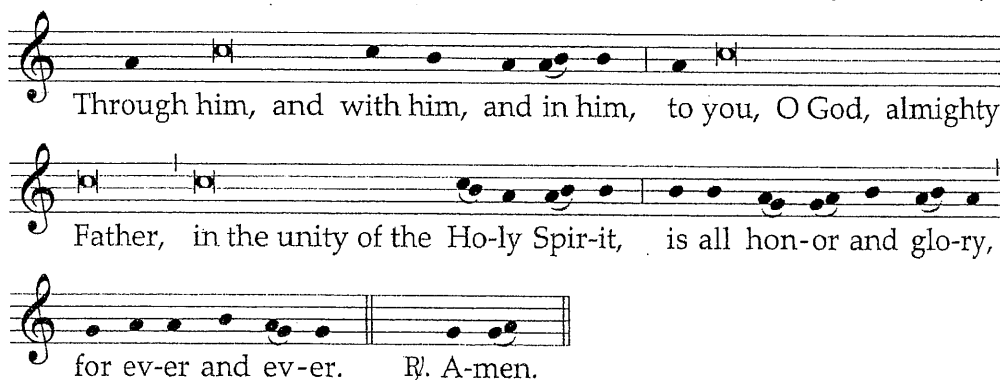
Remember your servant N.,
whom you have called (today)
from this world to yourself.
Grant that he (she) who was united with your Son in a death like his,
may also be one with him in his Resurrection.

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 the blessed Apostles,
and with all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages,
we may merit to be co-heirs to eternal life,
and may praise and glorify you

He joins his hands.
through your Son, Jesus Christ.

106. He takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, elevating both, he says:



Through him, and with him, and in him, to you, O God, almighty
Father, in the unity of the Ho-ly Spir-it, is all hon-or and glo-ry,
for ev-er and ev-er. R/. A-men.

* Mention may be made here of the Coadjutor Bishop, or Auxiliary Bishops, as noted in the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 149.

THE BLESSINGS AT THE END OF MASS AND THE PRAYERS OVER THE PEOPLE

SOLEMN BLESSINGS

The following blessings may be used, at the discretion of the Priest, at the end of the celebration of Mass, or of a Liturgy of the Word, or of the Office, or of the Sacraments.

The Deacon or, in his absence, the Priest himself, says the invitation: Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing. Then the Priest, with hands extended over the people, says the blessing, with all responding: Amen.

I. For Celebration in the Different Liturgical Times

1. Advent

May the almighty and merciful God,
whose Only Begotten Son's first coming you believe
and whose future coming you now await,
make you holy by the radiance of Christ's Advent
and enrich you with his blessing.

R/. Amen.

As you run the race of this present life,
may he make you firm in faith,
joyful in hope
and active in charity.

R/. Amen.

And may you who now rejoice with devotion
at our Redeemer's coming in the flesh,
be endowed with the rich reward of eternal life
when he comes again in majesty.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

2. The Nativity of the Lord

May the God of infinite goodness,
who by the Incarnation of his Son
has driven darkness from the world
and by that glorious Birth
has illumined this most holy night (day),
drive far from you the darkness of vice
and illumine your hearts with the light of virtue.

R/. Amen.

May God, who willed that the great joy
of his Son's saving Birth
be announced to shepherds by the Angel,
fill your minds with the gladness he gives
and make you heralds of his Gospel.

R/. Amen.

And may God, who by the Incarnation
brought together the earthly and heavenly realms,
fill you with the gift of his peace and goodwill
and make you sharers with the Church in heaven.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

3. The Beginning of the Year

May God, the source and origin of all blessing,
grant you grace,
pour out his blessing in abundance,
and keep you safe from harm throughout the year.

R/. Amen.

May he keep safe your integrity in the faith,
and give you endurance in hope,
and perseverance in charity
with holy patience to the end.

R/. Amen.

May he order your days and your deeds in his peace,
grant the prayers you make
in this and in every place,
and lead you happily to eternal life.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

4. The Epiphany of the Lord

May God, who has called you
out of darkness into his wonderful light,
pour out in kindness his blessing upon you
and make your hearts firm
in faith, hope and charity.

R/. Amen.

And since in all confidence you follow Christ,
who today appeared in the world
as a light shining in darkness,
may God make you, too,
a light for your brothers and sisters.

R/. Amen.

And so when your pilgrimage is ended,
may you come to him
whom the Magi sought as they followed the star
and whom they found with great joy, the Light from Light,
who is Christ the Lord.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

5. The Passion of the Lord

May God, the Father of mercies,
who has given you an example of love
in the Passion of his Only Begotten Son,
grant that, by serving God and your neighbor,
you may lay hold of the wondrous gift of his blessing.

R/. Amen.

May you receive the reward of everlasting life
from him, through whose earthly death
you believe that you escape eternal death.

R/. Amen.

And by following the example
of his self-abasement,
may you possess a share in his Resurrection.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

6. Easter Time

May God, who by the Resurrection
of his Only Begotten Son
was pleased to confer on you
the gift of redemption and of adoption,
give you gladness by his blessing.

R/. Amen.

May he, by whose redeeming work
you have received the gift of everlasting freedom,
make you heirs to an eternal inheritance.

R/. Amen.

And may you, who have already risen with Christ
in Baptism through faith,
by living in a right manner on this earth,
be united with him in the homeland of heaven.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

7. The Ascension of the Lord

May almighty God bless you,
for his Only Begotten Son
pierced the heights of heaven on this very day
and unlocked for you the way
to ascend to where he is.

R/. Amen.

May he grant that,
as the Risen Christ was seen plainly by his disciples,
so Christ the Judge may show himself merciful to you for all eternity.

R/. Amen.

And may you, who believe he is seated
with the Father in his majesty,
know with joy the fulfillment of his promise
to remain with you until the end of time.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

8. The Holy Spirit

May God, the Father of light,
who was pleased to enlighten the disciples' minds
by the outpouring of the Spirit, the Paraclete,
grant you gladness by his blessing
and make you always abound with the gifts of the same Spirit.

R/. Amen.

May the wondrous flame that appeared above the disciples,
powerfully cleanse your hearts from every evil
and pervade them with its purifying light.

R/. Amen.

And may God, who has been pleased to unite many tongues
in the profession of one faith,
give you perseverance in that same faith
and grant that by believing
you may journey from hope to clear vision.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

9. Ordinary Time I

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

R/. Amen.

May he let his face shine upon you
and show you his mercy.

R/. Amen.

May he turn his countenance towards you
and give you his peace.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

10. Ordinary Time II

May the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

11. Ordinary Time III

May almighty God bless you in his kindness
and pour out saving wisdom upon you.

R/. Amen.

May he nourish you always with the teachings of the faith
and make you persevere in holy deeds.

R/. Amen.

May he turn your steps towards himself
and show you the path of charity and peace.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

12. Ordinary Time IV

May the God of all consolation
order your days in his peace
and grant you the gifts of his blessing.

R/. Amen.

May he free you always from every distress
and confirm your hearts in his love.

R/. Amen.

So that on this life's journey
you may be effective in good works,
rich in the gifts of hope, faith and charity,
and come happily to eternal life.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

13. Ordinary Time V

May almighty God always keep every adversity far from you
and in his kindness pour out upon you the gifts of his blessing.

R/. Amen.

May God keep your hearts attentive to his words,
that they may be filled with everlasting gladness.

R/. Amen.

And so may you always understand what is good and right,
and be found ever hastening along
in the path of God's commands,
and be found coheirs with the citizens of heaven.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

14. Ordinary Time VI

May God bless you with every heavenly blessing,
make you always holy and pure in his sight,
pour out in abundance upon you the riches of his glory
and teach you with the words of truth;
may he instruct you in the Gospel of salvation,
and ever endow you with fraternal charity.

Through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

II. For Celebrations of the Saints

15. The Blessed Virgin Mary

May God, who through the childbearing of the Blessed Virgin Mary
willed in his kindness to redeem the human race,
be pleased to enrich you with his blessing.

R/. Amen.

May you know always and everywhere the protection of her,
through whom you have been found worthy to receive the author of life.

R/. Amen.

May you, who have devoutly gathered on this day,
carry away with you the gift of spiritual joys
and of heavenly rewards.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

16. Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

May almighty God bless you,
he who has made you steadfast in Saint Peter's saving confession
and through it has set you on the solid rock of the Church's faith.

R/. Amen.

And may God, who has instructed you
by the tireless preaching of Saint Paul,
teach you constantly by his example
to win brothers and sisters for Christ.

R/. Amen.

So that by the keys of St. Peter and the words of St. Paul,
and by the help of their intercession,
God may bring us happily to that homeland
that Peter attained on a cross
and Paul by the blade of a sword.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

17. The Apostles

May God, who has granted you
to stand firm on apostolic foundations,
graciously bless you through the glorious merits
of the holy Apostles N. and N. (the holy Apostle N.).

R/. Amen.

And may he who endowed you
with the teaching and example of the Apostles,
make you, under their protection,
witnesses to the truth before all.

R/. Amen.

Through the intercession of the Apostles,
may you inherit the eternal homeland
for by their teaching you possess firmness of faith.

R/. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R/. Amen.

18. All Saints

May God, the glory and joy of the Saints,
who has caused you to be strengthened
by means of their outstanding prayers,
bless you with unending blessings.

R/. Amen.

Freed through their intercession from present ills
and formed by the example of their holy way of life,
may you be ever devoted
to serving God and your neighbor.

R/. Amen.

So that, together with them all
you may possess the joys of the homeland,
where Holy Church rejoices
and her children are admitted in perpetual peace
to the company of the citizens of heaven.

R). Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
descend upon you and remain with you for ever.

R). Amen.