

# THE ORDINARY OF THE MASS

## (I) THE PREPARATION

*All stand as the celebrant enters with attendant clergy.*

*celebrant:* Please be seated.

*A period of silence now follows, allowing all present a moment to quieten their minds and enter the stillness.*

## THE INVOCATION

*celebrant:* ✠ In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

*people:* Amen.

## THE ASPERGES

*The celebrant, asperges self with holy water:*

*celebrant:* May the Lord ✠ purify me, that I may worthily perform his holy service.

*The celebrant asperges the temple:*

Stretch forth thy hand O God, from thy dwelling place on high, and vouchsafe to ✠ purge ✠ cleanse ✠ purify and ✠ hallow this thy holy temple, that it may be made meet for the celebration of thy praises, and of thine all-holy and spotless Mysteries; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*people:* Amen.

*The celebrant asperges the people:*

*celebrant:* Remember the promises made by you in Baptism, and Christ's merciful blood-shedding, by which most holy sprinkling of your sins you have free pardon.

*The celebrant then turns to the altar and prays:*

### THE CONFESSION

*celebrant:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we unworthy sinners, approaching to thy presence, and aspiring to behold thy divine glory, do confess that we have grievously sinned against thee, in our thoughts, in our words and in our deeds. Yet now, most loving Father, have mercy upon us; for the sake of Jesus Christ, forgive us all our sins, that we may serve thee henceforth in newness of life, to the glory of thy holy name.

*people:* Amen.

### THE ABSOLUTION

*The celebrant turns to the people and pronounces the Absolution, making the sign of the cross over them:*

*celebrant:* Almighty God, who has given his Son Jesus Christ to be the sacrifice and propitiation for the sins of the whole world, grant unto you for his sake full remission and forgiveness; ✠ absolve you from all your sins; and vouchsafe to you his Holy Spirit.

*people:* Amen.

*Turning to the altar:*

*celebrant:* ✠ Our help is in the name of Yehovah.

*people:* The maker of the heavens and the earth.

### THE SALUTATION

*The celebrant momentarily turns to the people:*

*celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*people:* And with thy spirit.

*celebrant:* Let us pray.

### THE PRAYER OF THE LITTLE ENTRANCE

*celebrant:* Take away from us our imperfections, we beseech thee O God, that with pure hearts and minds, accompanied by thy holy angels, and in the communion of all thy saints, we may worthily enter into the Holy of Holies; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*people:* Amen.

### THE KYRIES

*all chant:* Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.  
Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison.  
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

### THE LITANY

*The deacon stands and intones:*

*deacon:* In peace let us pray to the Lord.

*people:* Kyrie eleison.

*deacon:* For the peace which is from above, and for the salvation of our souls.

*people:* Kyrie eleison.

*deacon:* For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of all the holy churches of God, and for the unity of them all.

*people:* Kyrie eleison.

*deacon:* For all who have gone before, for all who are with us now, and for all who are yet to come.

*people:* Kyrie eleison.

- deacon:* For a Holy Guardian Angel, to guide us from darkness, unto the Light of Christ.
- people:* Kyrie eleison.
- deacon:* Assist, save, succour and help us O God, by thy Grace.
- people:* Kyrie eleison.
- celebrant:* Commemorating the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, the holy apostles and martyrs, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.
- all:* To thee O Lord.

## (II) THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

### THE LITTLE ENTRANCE

*The celebrant blesses incense:*

- celebrant:* Let this incense be ✠ blessed in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Then censes the altar in ancient form:*

O God of Hosts, through the intercession of the archangel Michael, vouchsafe to accept this incense as an odour of sanctity, meet for the consecration of thy holy temple.

*Then the celebrant censes the temple.*

Bless Yehovah O my soul, who makes his angels spirits, and his ministers a flaming fire.

- people:* Amen.

- celebrant:* Let us pray.

## THE INTROIT

*As appointed.*

*celebrant:* Glory be to God in the highest.

*people:* And on earth peace, goodwill to all mankind.

*The celebrant momentarily turns to the people:*

*celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*people:* And with thy spirit.

*celebrant:* Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT

*As appointed. (A short prayer or a verse from the Psalms.)*

## THE TRISAGION

*all chant:* Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, be gracious unto us.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, pour forth thy love upon us.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, unveil thy glory.

## THE EPISTLE

*As appointed. The people remain seated.*

*reader:* Here endeth the Epistle.

*people:* Thanks be to thee, O Lord.

## THE GOSPEL

*All stand. The gospeller makes with the censer the sign of the cross upon own self:*

*gospeller:* ✠ Cleanse my lips, O Yehovah of Hosts, as thou did'st cleanse the lips of the prophet Isaiah with a burning coal, by the hand of thy seraph.  
✠ O Lord, be in my mind and in my thinking ✠ upon my lips and in my speaking ✠ in my heart and in my understanding...

*Then censures the book of the Gospels:*

That I may worthily proclaim this thy holy Gospel.

*The gospeller then reads the Gospel:*

The continuation of the holy Gospel according to (n), commencing chapter (n), verse (n to n).

*gospeller:* Here endeth the holy Gospel.

*people:* Glory be to thee O Lord.

## SERMON

*The people shall be seated. The celebrant may now deliver an address.*

*celebrant:* Let us pray.

## APOSTLES' CREED

*all:* I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator 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 Hades; 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 living 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.

### THE BIDDING

*The celebrant turns to the people:*

*celebrant:* Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase. To do good and to distribute forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

*Then turning to the altar:*

*celebrant:* O Lord, who art King of all the earth, accept of thine infinite goodness the tithes and offerings of thy people; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*people:* Amen.

### THE DISMISSAL OF THE CATECHUMENS

*The celebrant proceeds to the royal gate:*

*celebrant:* Ite catechumeni missa est.

### (III) THE OFFERTORY

*The celebrant momentarily turns to the people:*

*celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*people:* And with thy spirit.

*Then a member of the congregation proceeds to the royal gate with the offering of bread and presents it to the celebrant.*

*celebrant:* I will go unto the altar of God.

*people:* Unto God my exceeding joy.

### THE GREAT ENTRANCE

*The celebrant returns to the altar and offers each element:*

### OBLATION OF BREAD

*celebrant:* Receive, O most loving Father, this bread, that it may become the holy Body of thine only-begotten; in the name of the ✠ Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

*people:* Amen.

*The celebrant turns to the west; the servers bring the elements of wine & water.*

### MINGLING OF THE CHALICE

*celebrant:* From the side of Christ came forth Blood and Water ✠ mingled together; and he that saw it bare record, and we know that his record is true.

*Turning to the altar and placing the chalice upon it, the celebrant prays:*

### OBLATION OF THE CHALICE

*celebrant:* Receive, O most loving Father, this chalice of wine and water mixed, that it may become the precious Blood of thine only-begotten; in the name of the ✠ Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

*people:* Amen.

## KERUBIKON

*all sing:* The wingèd Kerubim and Seraphim  
To the Life-giving Trinity do raise,  
With us, the joyful and triumphant hymn,  
Filling creation with the voice of praise.

Let us, then, at this consecrated hour,  
Laying aside life's cares and trials from sight,  
Receive the King of Glory and of Power,  
Attended by the unseen Angels bright.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

*While the Kerubikon is being sung the celebrant censures the Oblations.*

## CENSING THE OBLATIONS

*The celebrant blesses incense.*

*celebrant:* Let this incense be ✠ blessed in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

*people:* Amen.

*celebrant:* Thus we establish three crosses of fire, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. And they shall swirl and they shall spin, even as the Primum Mobile at the birth of creation.

*The celebrant then censures the altar in ancient form:*

O Yehovah, thee I invoke, hasten unto me, give ear to my voice in invoking thee. Let my prayer be established before thee as incense, and the lifting of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

*Then censures the clergy and the people.*

## LAVABO

*celebrant:* I will wash my hands in innocency.

*people:* So will I compass thine altar, O Lord.

## ORATE FRATRES

*celebrant:* Pray brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father almighty.

*people:* The Lord be with thy spirit. The Lord accept our sacrifice and give unto us his blessing. Amen.

## THE SECRETA

*The celebrant makes the sign of the cross first over the bread, and then over the cup. All make the third cross upon themselves and the celebrant alone the fourth:*

*celebrant:* Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we offer and present unto thee this ✠ bread and this ✠ cup, together with ourselves, our souls and our bodies, ✠ dedicating ourselves to thy service, engaging henceforth to obey thy holy will and commandments, and beseeching thee to send down thy Holy Spirit upon us, and destroy in us all that is evil, as by a consuming fire, so that we may hereafter yield ourselves to thee a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable, which is our reasonable service. Have respect unto the faith and prayers of thy Church, and impute not to thy people their sins, nor the sins of thy ✠ servant ministering before thee; whose words and acts in thy name, in obedience to thy commandment, confirm thou, ratify and make effectual, according to thy will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee, and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory world without end.

*people:* Amen.

*At this point all present uncover their heads.*

#### **(IV) THE CANON OF THE MASS**

##### **SALUTATION**

*The celebrant momentarily turns to the people:*

*celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*people:* And with thy spirit.

*celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*people:* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*celebrant:* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*people:* It is meet and right so to do.

##### **PREFACE**

*celebrant:* It is very meet and right, that with the whole heart and mind in balance, we give thanks unto thee, O Yehovah, Father Almighty, Ancient of Days, who together with thine only-begotten Son, and the Holy Ghost, art ONE GOD AND ONE LORD. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and for all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world through our Lord Jesus Christ, for all the means of grace, and for the hope of eternal glory.

*Here may be inserted a special dedication.*

Wherefore, we magnify and praise thee, mighty God, heavenly King; we worship and adore thy glorious name, in the name of the Father ✠ and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; joining in the hymn of Angels and Archangels, of Princedoms, Virtues, Powers, Dominations, Thrones,

the Kerubim and Seraphim, and all the Hosts of Heaven,  
evermore singing unto thee:

### SANCTUS

*The sacring bell is rung thrice:*

*all chant:* Holy, Holy, Holy, Yehovah Tzabaoth, heaven and earth are  
full of the majesty of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest!

*All make the sign of the cross:*

✠ Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!

*celebrant:* Let us pray together.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*all:* Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
✠ For thine is the Kingdom, the Power  
And the Glory.  
For ever and ever. Amen.

### THE PRAYER AND EPIKLESIS OF THE CONSECRATION

*celebrant:* Look upon us O God, and bless and sanctify this bread.  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy  
Ghost, we ✠ bless this bread, and pray thee heavenly Father

to send down thy Holy Spirit upon it, and make it unto us the most holy ✠ Body of thy Son Jesus Christ. Who in the night in which he was betrayed took bread, and after he had given thanks, he ✠ blessed it, brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat, THIS IS MY BODY, which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of me.

*people:* Amen.

*The celebrant elevates the Host; the sacring bell is rung thrice.*

*celebrant:* Look upon us O God, and bless and sanctify this cup. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we ✠ bless this cup, and we pray thee heavenly Father to send down thy Holy Spirit upon that which is contained therein, and make it unto us the most precious ✠ Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, who in like manner after supper also took the cup, and again giving thanks, he ✠ blessed it and gave it to his disciples saying: Drink you all of this, THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, which is shed for you, as often as you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

*people:* Amen.

*The celebrant elevates the chalice; the sacring bell is rung thrice.*

*celebrant:* As often as you eat this Bread and drink this Cup, you proclaim the Lord's death, until he comes in ✠ brightness from heaven.

*people:* The Lord is in his holy temple; let the earth keep silence before him.

*A brief period of silence may now ensue.*

**THE PRAYER AND EPIKLESIS  
OF THE GREAT OBLATION**

*celebrant:* Almighty God, we thy servants, calling to mind the most blessed sacrifice of thy Son, showing forth his death, rejoicing in his mighty resurrection, triumphant ascension, and glorious presence at thy right hand, and waiting for the blessed hope of his appearing and coming again, do offer and present unto thee this reasonable and bloodless sacrifice, which thou hast instituted in thy Church,

*The celebrant makes the sign of the cross over both the sacred species together at the points indicated:*

THIS ✠ PURE ✠ HOLY AND ✠ GLORIOUS OBLATION,  
*And again over them separately:*

the holy ✠ Bread of everlasting life, and the ✠ Cup of eternal salvation; beseeching thee that by the power and operation of the Holy Ghost overshadowing them, thou wilt manifest them, as the most precious ✠ Body and ✠ Blood of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, CHANGED BY THY HOLY SPIRIT, and cause them to be borne to thine altar on high there to be offered by him, who, as the eternal High Priest, forever presenteth himself as the Eternal Sacrifice, even as the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. And as thou hast ordained that this celestial mystery should be mirrored here on earth through the ministry of thy mortal servants, so do thou vouchsafe to look upon these holy gifts with a gracious and serene countenance, and accept them upon thine altar, before thy glorious high throne in heaven. Have respect unto the sacrifice once offered upon the cross, once for all a full perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and grant unto us, and to all thy people, the full benefits

of the Passion of thy dear Son, remission of all our sins, and eternal life.

*The celebrant makes the sign of the cross once over them:*

Which things, O Lord, we seek for all in the communion of thy holy Church, both living and departed; for whom, and for all for whom thou would'st be besought, we offer this our ✠ sacrifice, and present unto thee our prayers.

*people:* Amen.

*The celebrant now veils the Mysteries.*

#### **(V) THE GREAT INTERCESSION**

*The celebrant blesses incense, the server then offers it standing in the royal gate.*

#### **COMMEMORATION OF THE LIVING**

*celebrant:* We pray thee, O Lord, for all those worshipping in the Catholic and Apostolic Faith; especially for the Holy Celtic Church and its restoration within Christendom; for all patriarchs and archbishops, and in particular our apostolic primate (*n*) also (*n and n*). We pray thee for all bishops, priests, deacons and other ministers serving under them; for all baptised people, and in particular for the congregation here present both in the visible and invisible.

We pray thee for all catechumens, and those who know not thy truth; for any who would persecute us or show us animosity; for the cessation of heresy, and the spiritual unity of all thy Churches.

We pray thee for all the nations of the world, their rulers, and every religion wherein thou art worshipped; for all who are sick or in trouble, sorrow or adversity, especially those known unto us (*n and n*) ...*a short pause for recollection...*; for all those departing this transitory life on earth, beseeching thee to receive them to thy rest.

*people:* Amen.

### COMMEMORATION OF THE DEPARTED

*celebrant:* We remember before thee all those departed in the Faith, thy servant John the Baptist, the blessed virgin Mary, the patriarchs and prophets of old; the holy apostles and evangelists; the faithful bishops, priests, and deacons; the blessed martyrs, confessors and all thy saints. Be mindful, O Lord, of thy servants (*n and n*); also the departed souls of our families and friends, grant them thy blessing beyond the veil of mortal life; likewise all holy men and women who have gone before us with the sign of faith, may they all rest in the paradise of joy.

*people:* May they rest in thy peace, and awake to a joyful resurrection. Amen.

### THE GREAT EKPHONESIS

*celebrant:* Send forth O God from thy right hand Him whom thou shall send, at whose appearing the saints departed shall be raised, and we which are alive shall be caught up to meet him, and so shall ever be with him.

Under the veil of earthly things we have now communion with him, but with unveiled face we shall then behold him, rejoicing in his glory, made like unto him in his glory; and by him, we with all thy Church, holy and unspotted, shall

be presented with exceeding joy before the presence of thy glory.

Hear us heavenly Father, for his sake, even Jesus Christ thy Son, by whom O Lord,

*The celebrant unveils the Mysteries, and makes the sign of the cross thrice over both together:*

Thou dost ever ✠ hallow ✠ quicken ✠ bless, and bestow upon us all good things; by ✠ Him, with ✠ Him and in ✠ Him, be unto thee, O mighty Father ✠ in the unity of the Holy ✠ Ghost, all honour and glory, both now and forever and throughout all ages of ages.

*people:* Amen.

## **(VI) ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

### **THE INVITATION**

*The celebrant elevates the Sacred Species together:*

*celebrant:* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast, not with the old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

### **PRAYER OF SANCTIFICATION**

*celebrant:* O Father of Lights, who dwellest between the Kerubim, and yet regardest the things that are lowly, shine forth in the splendour of thy glory, and in the effulgence of thy love upon us who bow our heads before thee. Sanctify us we beseech thee, by thy celestial power, that we, reverently partaking of the pure and life-giving Mysteries of the Body and Blood of thy dear Son, may evermore dwell in him

and he in us. And grant that, being ever conscious of his indwelling presence, we may breathe forth the fragrance of a holy life, and receive of thy bounty, health, both of body and soul, in the communion of the Mystical Body of thy Christ.

*people:* Amen.

### THE FRACTION, CONSIGNATION AND CO-MIXTURE

*celebrant:* The Bread which we ✠ break, is the communion with the Body of Christ. The Cup of Blessing, which we ✠ bless, is the communion with the ✠ Blood of Christ. Blessed are they, which are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

### AGNUS DEI

*all chant:* Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

### SANCTA SANCTIS

*The sacring bell is rung thrice. The celebrant blesses the people, making with the uplifted Mysteries the sign of the cross over them thrice:*

✠ HOLY THINGS ✠ FOR HOLY ✠ PERSONS.

*The sacring bell is rung thrice; the Mysteries are replaced upon the altar.*

*people:* There is one Holy, even one Lord Jesus Christ, in whom are we, to the glory of God the Father.

#### **THE PAX**

*The celebrant momentarily turns to the people:*

*celebrant:* The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

*people:* Amen.

#### **ADMINISTRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

*The celebrant administers Holy Communion under both sacred Species, first to self, then to the other communicants.*

*celebrant:* The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ given for thee.

*people:* Amen.

*celebrant:* The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ shed for thee.

*people:* Amen.

*The celebrant receives the ablutions, during which time silence shall be maintained. All replace their headwear.*

#### **(VII) THE POSTCOMMUNION**

*The celebrant momentarily turns to the people:*

*celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*people:* And with thy spirit.

*celebrant:* Let us pray.

#### **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*celebrant:* Almighty God, we most heartily thank thee, that thou have now vouchsafed to feed us with the spiritual food

of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby that we are very members incorporate in his mystical body, and heirs of thine everlasting Kingdom. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, be all honour and glory, throughout all ages of ages.

*people:* Amen.

### **ADDITIONAL POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

*Unless otherwise appointed.*

*celebrant:* Behold how good and pleasant is the dwelling of brethren together in unity; as the holy oil upon the head, descending upon the beard, even Aaron's beard, descending upon the mouth of his garments; as the dew of Hermon descending upon the mountains of Zion, for there commanded Yehovah the blessing: Life unto eternity.

### **DISMISSAL OF THE FAITHFUL**

*celebrant:* Ite missa est.

*people:* Deo gratias.

*All stand*

### ***THE HYMN OF THE DISMISSAL***

*All stand and chant the following, or else sing a suitable hymn.*

Praise Yehovah all the nations, praise him all you people. For his mercy has been great towards us, and the truth of Yehovah is forever. Alleluia.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## THE BENEDICTION

*The people shall bow towards the east as the celebrant blesses them with the sign of the cross.*

*celebrant:* The blessing of God almighty, the ✠ Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost be among you, and remain with you evermore.

*people:* Amen.

*A hymn may be sung as the clergy depart.*