THE COMMUNION RITE

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

The Priest continues alone:
Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin, safe from all distress, as we wait the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

The Priest says:

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

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

The Deacon, or the Priest, adds:
Let us offer each other a sign of peace.
The Priest takes the host and breaks it.

Meanwhile the people say or sing:
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.

Kneel!
The Priest shows the host to the people and says:
Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

The Priest or other minister says to each communicant:
Each communicant answers: Amen.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders,
in the sight of the nations
he has shone forth his deliverance, alleluia.
All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Greeting
The Priest 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 Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Or:
The Lord be with you.
The people reply:
And with your spirit.

The Mass of the day may be introduced.

PENITENTIAL ACT

The Priest invites the faithful to repentance
followed, after a brief pause, by one of the Penitential Acts:

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have 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;
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.

Or:
Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.

Or:
You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:
Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Or: Kyrie, eleison.
You came to call sinners:
Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.
Christ, have mercy. Or: Christe, eleison.
you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread; the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm
Ps 32:1-2:4-5.18-19. R v 22
R May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs.
For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.
The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in fasting.

The Gospel
John 14:1-12
The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

John 14:1-12
Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and me in the Lord.
The Lord is in the house of God; if there were not, I should have told you.
I am going to prepare a place for you; after I have gone and prepared a place for you, I shall come back to take you with me, so that where I am you may be also.
You know the way to the place where I am going.

Thomas said, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?’

Jesus said:

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except through me.
If you know me, you know my Father.
From this moment you know him and have seen him.

Philip said, ‘Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.’

Have I been with you all this time, and you do not know me?

Jesus said:

If you know me, you know my Father.
You have seen me and have known me.

But to have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, ‘Let us see the Father’?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak from myself; but the Father who is in me is doing his work, you must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I go to the Father.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

All bow

The Priest completes all personal preparatory rites, and the people rise as he says:

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

The people reply:
Mary the Lord accept the sacrifice of your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name, for our good,
and the good of all his holy Church.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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.

The Priest continues with the Preface and concludes with the people, singing or saying aloud:
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.

The mystery of faith.
And the people continue, acclaiming one of the following:
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, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

The Priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer, saying alone:
Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour are yours, for ever and ever.

The people acclaim: Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE Eucharist

The offerings are brought to the altar.
A hymn may be sung.

If the Priest says the two prayers of offering about the response both times is:
Blessed be God for ever.

The people acclaim: Amen.