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. Who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.

The Deacon, or the Priest, adds: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

The people reply: Amen.

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 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:

The Mass of the day may be introduced.

The Introductory Rites

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn. Stand

Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love, for they are from of old. Let not our enemies exult over us. Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress. 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. Or: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. The people reply: And with your spirit. The Mass of the day may be introduced.

Prayer after Communion

Stand

As we receive these glorious mysteries, we make thanksgiving to you, O Lord, for allowing us while still on earth to be partakers even now of the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer over the People

The Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Bow down for the Blessing.

Then the Priest continues:

Bless your faithful, we pray, O Lord, with a blessing that endures for ever, and keep them faithful to the Gospel of your Only Begotten Son, so that they may always desire and at last attain that glory whose beauty he showed in his own Body, to the amazement of his Apostles. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Then the Deacon, or the Priest, says:

Or: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Or: Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord. Or: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. Or: Go in peace. Thanks be to God.

The Communion Rite

The Priest or other minister says to each communicant:


Communion Antiphon

Mt 17: 5

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. After the distribution of Holy Communion a sacred silence may be observed or a psalm, hymn or canticle of praise may be sung.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements may be made.

Priest: The Lord be with you. All: And with your spirit.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading


Due to Abraham for the test. ‘Abraham, Abraham’ he called. ‘Here I am!’ he replied. ‘Take your son, your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering.’

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood. Then he stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. ‘Abraham, Abraham’ he said. ‘I have here’ he replied. ‘Do not raise your hand against the boy’ the angel said. ‘Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.’ Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a
Glorify and praise to you, O Christ! Thanks be to God.

The word of the Lord.

Psalm Ps 115:10. 15-19 R. Ps 114:9 (R) I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

I trusted, even when I said: ‘I am sorely afflicted.’ O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. (R)

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: you have brought my feet into amultitude of foes. (R)

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil and all my promises, according to your service, according to your praise. (R)

The Lord be with you. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All bow. 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 Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be 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. Kneel. The Eucharistic Prayer continues until the priest says: 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 aloud: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever. The people acclaim: Amen.