



ST JAMES, HEYSHOTT

The Order for Holy Communion

Before the service, this prayer of preparation may be said privately:

**Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Gathering

Processional Hymn

All stand to sing the hymn.

The Greeting

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

ALL Amen.

The priest greets the people.

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL And also with you.

Or, from Easter Day to Pentecost.

PRIEST Alleluia. Christ is risen.

ALL He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Prayers of Penitence

The priest invites the people to confess their sins, with these words or a seasonal alternative [Propers page]:

PRIEST God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

Almighty God,

ALL our heavenly Father,
 we have sinned against you,
 and against our neighbour
 in thought, and word, and deed,
 through negligence, through weakness,
 through our own deliberate fault.
 We are truly sorry,
 and repent of all our sins.
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ
 who died for us,
 forgive us all that is past;
 and grant that we may serve you
 in newness of life,
 to the glory of your name. Amen.

In Advent and Lent, **may be said:**

PRIEST Lord, have mercy.

ALL Lord, have mercy

PRIEST Christ, have mercy.

ALL Christ, have mercy.

PRIEST Lord, have mercy.

ALL Lord, have mercy.

The priest pronounces **absolution.**

PRIEST Almighty God,
 who forgives all who truly repent,
 have mercy upon you,
 ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
 confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
 and keep you in life eternal;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

stand to say the Gloria, except in Advent and 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 Collect

The priest says:

PRIEST Let us pray.

After a brief pause for silent prayer the priest says the Collect [from the Propers page].

The Ministry of the Word

First Reading

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

ALL Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

At the end the reader says:

This is the word of the Lord.

ALL Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Stand for the hymn.

The Gospel

Before collecting the Gospel Book, the priest says quietly:

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

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL And also with you.

After the Gospel is announced:

ALL **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel the minister says:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Kissing the book, the priest says quietly:

Through the words of the Gospel,
may our sins be wiped away.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

All stand for the 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, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from
heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the
Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he
suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again 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.**

**We 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 worshipped and
glorified, who 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.

Prayers of Intercession

All kneel if able; otherwise, sit or remain standing.

The priest introduces the prayers.

PRIEST In the power of the Holy Spirit, and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Prayers are offered for the Church, the world, the local community, those in need, and those who have died, and in silence we make our own petitions. One of these responses may be used:

Lord, in your mercy

ALL hear our prayer.

At the end:

PRIEST Merciful Father,

ALL accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Ministry of the Sacrament

The Peace

The priest introduces the peace in these or other words:

PRIEST Christ is our peace,
He has reconciled us to God
in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

The priest then says:

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

ALL And also with you.

The Preparation of the Gifts

During the offertory Hymn, the priest prepares the altar.

When preparing the chalice, the priest adds a little water to the wine,
saying 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.

After the hymn, the priest says:

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.

ALL Blessed be God for ever.

PRIEST 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.

ALL **Blessed be God for ever.**

The priest bows, saying quietly:

With humble spirit and a contrite heart
may we be accepted by you, O Lord,
and may our sacrifice in your sight this day
be pleasing to you, Lord God.

The priest then washes his hands, saying quietly:

Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

The Eucharistic Prayer

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL **And also with you.**

PRIEST Lift up your hearts.

ALL **We lift them up to the Lord.**

PRIEST Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The priest then continues with the Preface [inserted], after which all say:

ALL **Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he that comes in the name of the
Lord.**

Hosanna in the highest.

The priest then continues with the Eucharistic Prayer:

PRIEST Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the ✠ body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
TAKE, EAT; THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU;
DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.
In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU;
THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT,
WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
DO THIS, AS OFTEN AS YOU DRINK IT,
IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

PRIEST Great is the mystery of faith:

ALL **Christ has died:**
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

The priest then continues with the Eucharistic Prayer:

PRIEST And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, [N], St Catherine of Siena, St Mary Magdalene, St James, and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever,

through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

ALL **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

PRIEST As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us, we are bold to say:

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 those who 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 Breaking of the Bread

the priest breaks the bread, saying.

PRIEST We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

ALL **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

**The priest places a small piece of bread in the chalice,
saying quietly:**

May this mingling of the Body and Blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ
bring eternal life to us who receive it.

The priest, with hands joined, says quietly:
May the receiving of your Body and Blood,
Lord Jesus Christ, not bring me to judgement and
condemnation, but through your loving mercy be for me
protection in mind and body and a healing remedy.

The priest invites the people to receive communion:

Behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy are those who are called
to his supper.

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

When the consecrated bread is given the minister says:

The body of Christ,
Amen.

When the chalice is given:

The blood of Christ,
Amen.

After Communion

A short silence may be observed. The priest then says the Prayer after Communion [Propers page], and all say:

Amen.

PRIEST Almighty God,

All we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus
Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.

Stand for the final hymn, after which:

PRIEST The Lord be with you.

ALL And also with you.

The Blessing and Dismissal

The priest says this or an alternative seasonal blessing:

PRIEST The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

ALL **Amen.**

PRIEST Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

ALL **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

or, from Easter Day to Pentecost:

PRIEST Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

ALL **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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