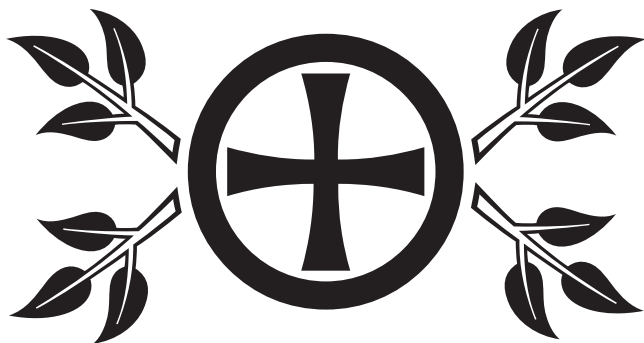


THE ORDER  
FOR  
HOLY MASS  
IN CHRISTMAS &  
EPIPHANYTIDE



AS USED IN THE ORDINARIATES ESTABLISHED  
UNDER THE APOSTOLIC CONSTITUTION  
*ANGLICANORUM CÆTIBUS*

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SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT CHURCH  
A Community of the Personal Ordinariate  
of the Chair of Saint Peter

AT SAINT PATRICK'S PARISH  
STONEHAM • MASSACHUSETTS

## VT·VNVM·SINT: THAT THEY MIGHT BE ONE

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WELCOME TO SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT, *a Roman Catholic community of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter. The Ordinariate was established by Pope Benedict XVI in January, 2012 as a means by which Episcopalian and Anglican Christians wishing to reunite themselves to the Universal Catholic Church might do so, bringing the riches of the Anglican Patrimony with them; it is now possible for Christians from any Protestant denomination to be received into the Catholic Church through the Ordinariate.* ✨ *The form of our Mass is based on the Eucharistic liturgy in the Book of Common Prayer; if you are a ROMAN CATHOLIC, its form and structure will be familiar, yet different: we rejoice that you are with us, and hope you find your appreciation of the catholicity of the Church deepened. Attending Mass at Saint Gregory fulfills your obligation, and you are most heartily encouraged to receive Communion if in a state of Grace. Because Roman Catholics believe the Sacrament of the Eucharist is the True Body of Christ not only in the Consecrated Elements, but also in the Unity of His people, FELLOW-CHRISTIANS of churches with whom we are not yet fully united are not admitted to Holy Communion; we welcome them and pray our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer and help dispel the sad divisions that separate us. We also welcome NON-CHRISTIANS, and — although we cannot admit them to Holy Communion — ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and unity of the human family. NON-CATHOLICS are invited to receive a Blessing during Communion: please signify this desire by crossing your arms over your breast when at the altar rail.* ✨ *If you would like to learn more about the Ordinariate and Saint Gregory the Great Church please speak with the clergy after Mass or contact us using the information provided in today's brochure.*

# THE ORDER FOR HOLY MASS IN CHRISTMAS AND EPIPHANYTIDE



## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

† In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

I will go unto the altar of God:  
*Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.*

Give sentence with me, O God, and defend my  
cause against the ungodly people: O deliver  
me from the deceitful and wicked man.  
*For thou art the God of my strength, why hast  
thou put me from thee: and why go I so heavily,  
while the enemy oppresseth me?*

O send out thy light and thy truth, that they  
may lead me: and bring me unto thy holy  
hill, and to thy dwelling.  
*And that I may go unto the altar of God, even the  
God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp  
will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.*

Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and  
why art thou so disquieted within me?  
*O put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks,  
which is the help of my countenance, and my God.*

Stand  
and Sing

Kneel ↻

Those words  
printed in *italics*  
are to be said  
by the People;  
where † appears  
it is traditional  
to bless one's self  
with the Sign of  
the Cross ↻





Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit.

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and  
ever shall be: world without end. Amen.*

I will go unto the altar of God:  
*Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.*

Our help is in the † Name of the Lord:  
*Who hath made heaven and earth.*

**I** CONFESS to Almighty God, to Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, to Blessed Michael the Archangel, to Blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the saints, and to you, brethren, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed: by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. Wherefore I beg Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, Blessed Michael the Archangel, Blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brethren, to pray for me to the Lord our God. *May almighty God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life.* Amen.

**I** CONFESS to Almighty God, to Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, to Blessed Michael the Archangel, to Blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the saints, and to thee, Father, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed: [here strike the breast thrice] by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. Wherefore I beg Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, Blessed Michael the Archangel, Blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Angels and Saints, and thee, Father, to pray for me to the Lord our God.



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May almighty God have mercy upon you,  
forgive you your sins, and bring you to  
everlasting life. *Amen.*

The almighty and merciful Lord grant  
unto us pardon, † absolution, and remis-  
sion of our sins. *Amen.*

Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us,  
O God?

*That thy people may rejoice in thee.*

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

*And grant us thy salvation.*

O Lord, hear my prayer:

*And let my cry come unto thee.*

## THE LITURGY of the WORD

### INTROIT CHANT

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

Stand ↻

**A**LMIGHTY GOD, unto whom all  
hearts be open, all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse  
the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration  
of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy  
Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**H**EAR WHAT our Lord Jesus Christ  
saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy  
God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul,  
and with all thy mind. This is the first and  
great commandment. And the second is  
like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour  
as thyself. On these two commandments  
hang all the Law and the Prophets.

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# KYRIE

*Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena (Healey Willan, 1928)*

♩ Sing



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lo — rd, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mer - cy up - on — us.



Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ have mer - cy up - on — us.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lo — rd, have mer - cy up - on us.

# GLORIA

*Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*



[Priest:] [Glo - ry be to God on high]



[People:] *And on earth — peace,*



*good will towards men.*



*We praise thee, we bless thee,*



*we wor — ship thee, we*



*glo — ri - fy thee, we give*



*thanks to thee for thy great*



*glo ry, O — Lord*



*God, heav — en - ly*

Sing 

It is traditional  
to bow the head  
at the words  
we glorify thee

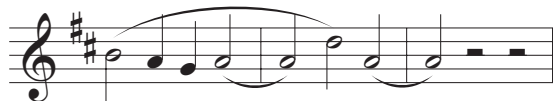
✧ *The Gloria, continued* ✧



King, God \_\_\_\_\_ the



Fa - ther Al \_\_\_\_\_



migh \_\_\_\_\_ ty. \_\_\_\_\_



O Lord, the



on \_\_\_\_\_ ly - be - got - ten



Son, Je - sus Christ;



O Lord God,



Lamb \_\_\_\_\_ of God, \_\_\_\_\_



Son of the Fa - ther, that



✧ *The Gloria, continued* ✧



ta - kest a - way the sins of the



world, have mer - cy up -



on us. Thou that ta - kest a -



way the sins of the world, re -



ceive — our prayer. Thou that



sit - test at the right hand of



God — the Fa - ther, have



mer - cy up - on us.



For thou on — ly art

It is traditional  
to bow the head  
at the words  
receive our prayer

✧ *The Gloria, concluded* ✧



ho \_\_\_\_\_ ly;



thou on - ly art the



Lord; thou on \_\_\_\_\_ ly, O \_\_\_\_\_



Christ, with the Ho \_\_\_\_\_ ly



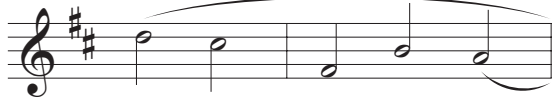
Ghost, art \_\_\_\_\_ † \_\_\_\_\_ most high in the



glo - ry of God \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_



Fa \_\_\_\_\_ ther. \_\_\_\_\_



A \_\_\_\_\_



men.

The Lord be with you.  
*And with thy spirit.*  
Let us pray.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

## FIRST READING

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

## PSALM

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

## SECOND READING

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

## ALLELUIA CHANT

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

The Lord be with you.  
*And with thy spirit.*

✠ A reading from the Holy Gospel  
according to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

The Gospel of the Lord.  
*Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

## HOMILY



Sit ☞

Sing ☞

Stand ☞

and turn to  
face the  
Gospel book.  
At the ✠ it is  
traditional to  
make the Sign  
of the Cross  
with the thumb  
on forehead,  
lips, and heart

Sit ☞



✠ Stand

## CREDO

**Kneel** after  
came down from  
Heaven; **Rise**  
after and was  
made man

It is traditional  
to bow the head  
at the words  
worshiped and  
glorified

**I** BELIEVE IN ONE GOD,  
*the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and  
earth, and of all things visible and invisible;  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten  
Son of God, begotten of his Father before  
all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very  
God of very God, begotten, not made, being  
of one substance with the Father; by whom  
all things were made; who for us men and  
for our salvation came down from heaven,  
[kneel] and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of  
the Virgin Mary, and was made man; [stand]  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius  
Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third  
day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the  
right hand of the Father; and he shall come  
again, with glory, to judge both the quick and  
the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and  
Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father  
and the Son; who with the Father and the  
Son together is worshiped and glorified; who  
spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy  
Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge  
one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I  
look for the resurrection of the dead, † and  
the life of the world to come. Amen.*

## THE PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

With all our heart and with all our  
mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying,  
“Lord, have mercy:”

✠ Kneel

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For Francis our Pope, Jeffrey our Ordinary, Seán the Archbishop of Boston, and for all bishops, priests, and deacons, and all God's holy people, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For all children, born and unborn, for parents, and for all families, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For deliverance from all danger and violence, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*



[additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included]

For the faithful † departed of this parish and for all who have departed this life in the hope of the resurrection, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of the ever-Virgin Mary, of Saint Gregory the Great, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.  
*To thee, O Lord our God.*

*The Priest concludes with a selected*

## COLLECT

[ANNOUNCEMENTS]

## THE LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

### OFFERTORY CHANT

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

☞ **Stand and  
Sing**

### OFFERTORY HYMN

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

[The Altar and Offerings are prepared]

**P**RAY, BRETHREN, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable unto God, the Father almighty.

*May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands, for the praise and glory of his Name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.*

[Here a Prayer over the Offerings is sung, as appointed]



# THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

*And with thy spirit.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

*It is meet and right so to do.*

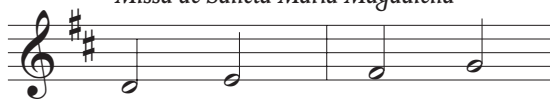
It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God...

[Here a Preface proper to the Season is sung]

...Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## SANCTUS

*Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*



HO - LY, HO - LY,



HO - LY,



Lord God of Hosts: Hea - ven and



earth are full of thy glo ry.

Sing

it is traditional to profoundly bow the head during the words *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts*

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Glo - ry be to  
 thee, O Lord Most High.  
 Bles - † - sed is he that  
 com eth in the  
 Name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the High - est.

☩ Kneel

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**T**HEREFORE, MOST MERCIFUL Father, we humbly pray thee, through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, and we ask, that thou accept and bless † these gifts, these offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices. ☑ We offer them unto thee, first, for thy holy Catholic Church: that thou vouchsafe to keep her in peace, to guard, unite, and govern her throughout the whole world; together with thy



servant Francis our Pope, and Jeffrey,  
our Ordinary, and all the faithful guard-  
ians of the catholic and apostolic faith.

✠ Remember, O Lord, thy servants and  
handmaids and all who here around  
us stand, whose faith is known unto  
thee and their steadfastness manifest, on  
whose behalf we offer unto thee, or who  
themselves offer unto thee, this sacrifice  
of praise; for themselves, and for all who  
are theirs; for the redemption of their  
souls, for the hope of their health and well-  
being; and who offer their prayers unto  
thee, the eternal God, the living and  
the true. ✠ United in one communion

*(unless the feast has a proper form:)* [we venerate the  
memory, first of the glorious ever-Virgin  
Mary, Mother of our God and Lord Jesus  
Christ;] of Joseph her spouse; as also of thy  
blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and  
Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James,  
Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon  
and Thaddæus: Linus, Cletus, Clement,  
Xystus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence,  
Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas  
and Damian, and of all thy Saints; grant  
that by their merits and prayers we may  
in all things be defended with the help  
of thy protection. ✠ We beseech thee  
then, O Lord, graciously to accept this  
oblation from us thy servants, and from  
thy whole family; *(unless the feast has a proper  
form:)* [order thou our days in thy peace,  
and bid us to be delivered from eternal  
damnation, and to be numbered in the fold  
of thine elect.] ✠ Vouchsafe, O God, we

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beseech thee, in all things to make this oblation blessed, approved and accepted, a perfect and worthy offering; that it may become for us the Body and Blood of thy dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

**W**HO the day before he suffered, took bread into his holy and venerable hands, and with eyes lifted up to heaven, unto thee, God, his almighty Father, giving thanks to thee, he blessed, broke and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU,  
AND EAT OF IT:  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH  
WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

Likewise, after supper, taking also this goodly chalice into his holy and venerable hands, again giving thanks to thee, he blessed, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU,  
AND DRINK FROM IT:  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE  
OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD  
OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL  
COVENANT, WHICH WILL  
BE Poured OUT FOR YOU  
AND FOR MANY FOR THE  
FORGIVENESS OF SINS.  
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The Mystery of faith:  
*We proclaim thy Death, O Lord, and profess  
thy Resurrection until thou come again.*

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**W**HEREFORE, O Lord, we thy servants, and thy holy people also, remembering the blessed passion of the same Christ thy Son our Lord, as also his resurrection from the dead, and his glorious ascension into heaven; do offer unto thine excellent majesty of thine own gifts and bounty, the pure victim, the holy victim, the immaculate victim, the holy Bread of eternal life, and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

✠ Vouchsafe to look upon them, with a merciful and pleasant countenance; and to accept them, even as thou didst vouchsafe to accept the gifts of thy servant Abel the righteous, and the sacrifice of our patriarch Abraham; and the holy sacrifice, the immaculate victim, which thy high priest Melchisedech offered unto thee. ✠ We humbly beseech thee, Almighty God, command these offerings to be brought by the hands of thy holy Angel to thine altar on high, in sight of thy divine majesty; that all we who at this partaking of the altar shall receive the most sacred Body and Blood of thy Son, may be fulfilled with all heavenly † benediction and grace. ✠ Remember also, O Lord, thy servants and handmaids who have gone before us sealed with the seal of faith, and who sleep the sleep of peace. To them, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, we beseech thee to grant the abode of refreshing, of light, and of peace. ✠ To us sinners also, thy servants, who hope in the multitude of

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thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part and fellowship with thy holy Apostles and Martyrs; with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia, and with all thy Saints: within whose fellowship, we beseech thee, admit us, not weighing our merit, but granting us forgiveness.

**T**HROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; through whom, O Lord, thou dost ever create all these good things; dost sanctify, quicken, bless, and bestow them upon us. By whom, and with whom, and in whom, to thee O Father Almighty, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory throughout all ages, world without end. *Amen.*

↻ Stand

## THE COMMUNION RITE

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say,

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Missa Marialis / Fourth Communion Service*

The Priest  
alone intones  
Our Father;  
then the People  
join him



[Father] *who art in hea ven, hallowed be thy*



*Name, thy kingdom co-me, thy will be do-ne,*



*on earth as it is in hea-ven. Give us this*



day our dai ly bre - ad. And for give us our



tres pass es, as we for give those who tres pass



a gainst us. And lead us not in - to temp ta - tion,



but de liv er us from e - vil. [De - li verus ]

DELIVER US, O LORD, we beseech thee, from all evils, past, present, and to come; and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and with Andrew, and all the Saints, favourably grant peace in our days, that by the help of thine availing mercy we may ever both be free from sin and safe from all distress.

The Priest  
continues  
alone from  
Deliver us,  
O Lord;  
the People  
rejoin him at  
For thine is  
the Kingdom



[from all dis - tress.] For thine is the king - dom,



and the pow er and the glo - ry,



for ev er and ev - er. A - men.

†  
**O** LORD JESUS CHRIST, who saidst to thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you; my peace I give unto you: Regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Church; and grant to her peace and unity according to thy will; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

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

↻ Kneel

[*The consecrated Bread is broken.  
A period of silence is kept*]

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

## AGNUS DEI

*Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*



O Lamb of God, — that



ta-kest a - way the sins of the world,



have mer-cy up-on — us.



O Lamb of God, — that

†



ta-kest a - way the sins of the world,



have mer-cy up-on — us.



O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a -



way — the sins of the world,



Grant — us thy — peace.

**W**E DO NOT PRESUME TO come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

[The People are shown the Chalice and Host]



† Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that taketh away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

*Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*



*Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*



*Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*



## COMMUNION CHANT

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

[*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the People*]

## HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is received kneeling (for those able) at the altar rail.

*Catholics in Union with the Holy See and in the state of Grace may partake of Holy Communion; others present may come to the altar rail to receive a Blessing.*

*Please signify this desire by crossing your arms over your breast.*







[A period of silence is kept]

## POST-COMMUNION HYMN

(please refer to today's brochure)

Sing ☩

Kneel ☩

**A**LMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD  
*we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.*

Let us pray:

[Here a Postcommunion Prayer is sung, as appointed]

...Amen.

## THE CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

*And with thy spirit.*

**T**HE PEACE OF GOD, which passeth 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 amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Go forth in peace.

*Thanks be to God.*

↪ Stand

## THE LAST GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

*And with thy spirit.*

† The Beginning of the Holy Gospel according to John.

*Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

**I**N THE BEGINNING was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. ¶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a

witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. **¶** He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of man, but of God. [*kneel*] And the Word was made flesh, [*stand*] and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

*Thanks be to God.*

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

*(please refer to today's brochure)*

Sing 



✠ *Before Mass* ✠

## A PRAYER OF SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

**A**LMIGHTY & EVERLASTING GOD behold I come to the Sacrament of Thine only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: I come as one infirm to the physician of life; as one unclean to the fountain of mercy; as one blind to the light of everlasting brightness; as one poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Therefore I implore the abundance of Thy measureless bounty that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to heal my infirmity; wash my uncleanness; enlighten my blindness; enrich my poverty; and clothe my nakedness, that I may receive the Bread of Angels, the King of kings, the Lord of lords, with such reverence and humility; with such sorrow and devotion; with such purity and faith; with such purpose and intention as may be profitable to my soul's salvation. Grant unto me, I pray, the grace of receiving not only the Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood, but also the grace and power of the Sacrament. O most gracious God, grant me so to receive the Body of Thine only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, which He took from the Virgin Mary, as to merit to be incorporated into His mystical Body, and to be numbered amongst His members. O most loving Father, give me grace to behold forever Thy beloved Son with His face at last unveiled, whom I now purpose to receive under the sacramental veil here below. Amen. ✠

## ANIMA CHRISTI

**S**OULOFCHRIST, SANCTIFY ME.  
Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Permit me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me. And bid me come to thee: That, with thy Saints, I may praise thee for ever and ever. Amen. ✧



## AN ACT OF FAITH

**I**MOST FIRMLY BELIEVE, O JESUS that in this holy Sacrament thou art present verily and indeed; that here are thy body and blood, thy soul and thy divinity. I believe that thou, my Savior, art here with all thy treasures; that here thou communicatest thyself to us, makest us partakers of the fruit of thy passion, and givest us a pledge of eternal life. I believe there cannot be a greater happiness than to receive thee worthily, nor a greater misery than to receive thee unworthily. All this I most steadfastly believe, because it is what thou hast taught us by thine own word and by thy holy Church. Amen. ✧

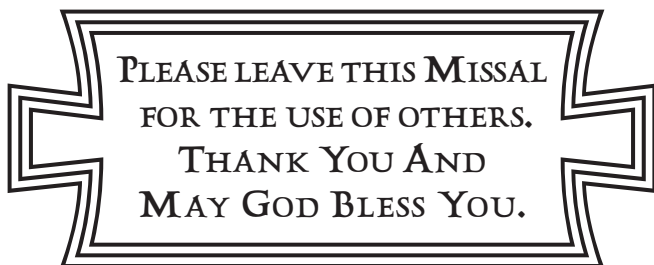
ANOTHER PRAYER OF  
SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

**I** GIVE THANKS TO THEE,  
O holy Lord, Father almighty, eternal  
God, Who hast vouchsafed, not for any  
merits of my own but solely out of the  
condescension of Thy mercy, to appease  
the hunger of the soul of Thine unworthy  
servant with the precious Body and Blood  
of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ: I implore  
that this holy Communion be not to me  
a condemnation unto punishment, but a  
saving plea unto forgiveness. May it be  
unto me the armor of faith and the shield  
of good purpose. May it be the emptying  
out of my vices, the extinction of all con-  
cupiscence and lust, the increase of charity  
and patience, of humility and obedience,  
and of all virtues; a strong defense against  
the snares of all enemies, visible and invis-  
ible; the perfect quieting of all my impulses,  
both fleshly and ghostly; a firm cleaving  
unto Thee, the one true God; and a pledge  
of a blessed destiny. And I beseech Thee,  
that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring  
me, a sinner, to that ineffable Banquet,  
in which Thou, together with Thy Son  
and the Holy Ghost, art to Thy Saints  
true light; fullness of content; eternal  
joy; gladness without alloy; and perfect  
happiness. Through the same

CHRIST our LORD

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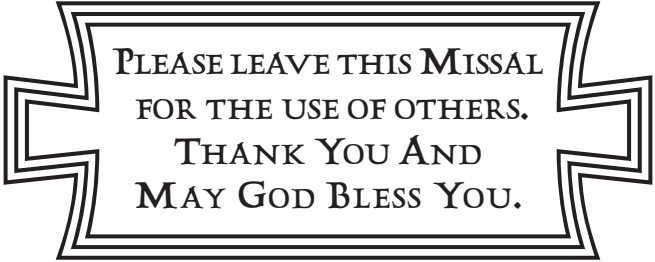




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