THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon or a hymn

Stand

These are the ones who, living in the flesh, planted the Church with their blood; they drank the chalice of the Lord and became the friends of God.

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.**

The Priest greets everyone present.

The people respond: And with your spirit.

The Mass of the day may be introduced.

Penitential Act

The Priest invites the people to repentance Then Lord Jesus, you were lifted up to draw all people to your self:

Lord, have mercy.

You shouldered the cross, to bear our suffering and sinfulness:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You open for your people the way from death into life:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earlh peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
0 God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

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.

Collect

O God, who on the Solemnity of the Apostles
Peter and Paul
give us the noble and holy joy of this day,
grant, we pray, that your Church
may in all things follow the teaching
of those through whom she received
the beginnings of right religion.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen. Sit

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 12:1-11

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In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church. Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, 'Dress yourself and put on your sandals.' And he did so. And he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the

Jewish people were expecting.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 34(33): 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9. R.5

R. From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

I will bless the LORD at all times, praise of him is always in my mouth.

In the LORD my soul shall make its boast; the humble shall hear and be glad.

R.

Glorify the LORD with me;

together let us praise his name.

I sought the LORD, and he answered me;

from all my terrors he set me free.

R.

Look towards him and be radiant;

let your faces not be abashed.

This lowly one called; the LORD heard,

and rescued him from all his distress.

R.

The angel of the LORD is encamped

around those who fear him, to rescue them.

Taste and see that the LORD is good.

Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

R.

Second Reading

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight,

I have finished the race, I have kept the

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faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved his appearing.

The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Acclamation before the Gospel

Stand

Alleluia, alleluia.

Matthew 16:18

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-19

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, 0 Lord.**

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you,

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Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily Sit

The Nicene Creed Stand

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God. begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven. and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, All bow

who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayer of the Faithful

Response example: Lord, in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

After the concluding prayer all say: Amen.

Sit

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 aloud, the response both times is:

Blessed be God for ever.

The people rise as the Priest says:

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

The people reply:

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

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Prayer over the Offerings

May the prayer of the Apostles, 0 Lord, accompany the sacrificial gift that we present to your name for consecration, and may their intercession make us devoted to you in celebration of the sacrifice.

Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer II

(The Priest may use a different Eucharistic Prayer.)

You are indeed Holy, 0 Lord, the fount of all holiness.

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray,

by sending down your Spirit upon them

like the dewfall,

so that they may become for us

the Body and if< Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed

and entered willingly into his Passion,

he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,

and gave it to his disciples, saying:

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,

FOR THIS IS MY B ODY,

WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

he took the chalice

and, once more giving thanks,

he 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.

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Do THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

The mystery of faith.

The people continue, acclaiming:

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Therefore, as we celebrate

the memorial of his Death and Resurrection,

we offer you, Lord,

the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation,

giving thanks that you have held us worthy

to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray

that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ,

we may be gathered into one by

the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church,

spread throughout the world,

and bring her to the fullness of charity,

together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop

and all the clergy.

Remember also our brothers and sisters

who have fallen asleep

in the hope of the resurrection,

and all who have died in your mercy:

welcome them into the light of your face .

Have mercy on us all, we pray,

that with the Blessed Virgin Mary,

Mother of God,

with blessed Joseph, her Spouse,

with the blessed Apostles,

and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages,

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we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son,

Jesus Christ.

Through him, and with him, and in him, 0 God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

The people acclaim: Amen.

The Communion Rite

Stand

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, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await 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.
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 Priest takes the host and breaks if.

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

The Body [Blood] of Christ.

Each communicant answers: Amen.

Communion Antiphon

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the

Son of the living God.

And Jesus replied: You are Peter,

and upon this rock | will build my Church.

Cf. Mt 16:16,18

Prayer after Communion *Stand*

Grant us, 0 Lord, who have been renewed by this Sacrament, so to live in the Church, that, persevering in the breaking of the Bread and in the teaching of the Apostles, we may be one heart and one soul, made steadfast in your love.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Announcements may be made.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you,

the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Then the Deacon, or the Priest, says:

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, alleluia, alleluia.