

AT GOD'S ALTAR

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Every Sunday the People of God come together.



We are Christ's family, and Christ has a great work for us to do on Sundays.

When a sanctuary light is burning, Jesus is
near the altar in His Blessed Sacrament.

Then we genuflect to honor Christ our King.
(Touch one knee to the floor, keeping your
back straight.)

“I worship thee, Lord Jesus,
As children did of old,
Who sang within thy temple
Hosannas manifold.”

“Holy Guardian Angel, help me to pay
attention.”



THE WORD OF GOD



We may sing a hymn as the Priest and other ministers come in.

The Priest says

Blessed be God:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We say

AND BLESSED BE HIS KINGDOM,
NOW AND FOR EVER. AMEN.

At Easter time, instead of this, we say
Alleluia. Christ is risen.

THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED. ALLELUIA.

In Lent we say

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins;
HIS MERCY ENDURETH FOR EVER.

The Priest says the Collect for Purity and we
say **AMEN**.

“Amen” means “Yes! Let it be so!”



We may hear the Ten Commandments, or
our Lord's summary of them.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. or

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

or this

Holy God,

Holy and Mighty,

Holy Immortal One,

Have mercy upon us.

We may use this, the song the shepherds heard the angels singing when Jesus was born.

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace,
good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee
for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son,
Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away
the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand
of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.



For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory
of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.
AND WITH THY SPIRIT.
Let us pray.

The Priest prays the Prayer of the Day, to “collect” all our thoughts and bring them to God. We join in by saying **AMEN**.

THE LESSONS from the Bible

The First Lesson is from the story of the People of God in the Old Testament.

The Word of the Lord.
THANKS BE TO GOD.

Then we may read a Psalm together. The Psalms are the songs that God has given us to sing His praise.

The Second Lesson is often from a letter written by Saint Paul or another saint to the first Christians.



The Word of the Lord.
THANKS BE TO GOD.

The next reading will be the **G**ospel — the Good News! We may sing

ALLELUIA

Jesus prayed this very word every day. It means “Praise to the **L**ord!”

THE GOSPEL tells us of our **L**ord **J**esus **C**hrist and what **H**e said and did. We stand up very straight and face the Priest as he reads the **G**ospel.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to _____.

GLORY BE TO THEE, O LORD.



The Gospel of the Lord.
PRAISE BE TO THEE, O CHRIST.

THE SERMON

The Priest tells us more about the Good News.

THE CREED

We stand up straight to tell what the Church believes. (We may use these words, or the ones on pages 20 and 21.)



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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate
from 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.

With the Father and the Son
he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.



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,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of
the Virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under
Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;

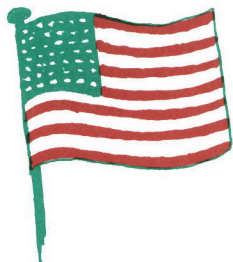
and the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the quick and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

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

We pray for

the Church



the Nation

the people of the world



the sick



the dead



We confess our sins,
the Priest tells us
we are forgiven,
and we say **AMEN.**



THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
AND WITH THY SPIRIT.

We give one another the sign of peace.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

The Priest presents our offerings of bread and wine for the Holy Eucharist, and money or other gifts.



We may say
BLESSED BE GOD FOR EVER.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 our Lord God.

IT IS MEET AND RIGHT SO TO DO.

We praise the Blessed Trinity,
joining with all the Angels
and Saints in Heaven.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD

GOD OF HOSTS:

HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE

FULL OF THY GLORY.

GLORY BE TO THEE, O LORD

MOST HIGH.

BLESSED IS HE THAT COMETH IN THE

NAME OF THE LORD.

HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.





We are very quiet and very still as the Priest says our Lord's words:

This is my Body . . . This is my Blood . . .
Do this in remembrance of me.

“Jesus, I am glad you are here.
You are my Lord and my God.”

The Priest finishes the Great Thanksgiving and we say **AMEN**.

“I worship thee, Lord Jesus,
Who in thy love divine,
Art hiding here thy presence
'Neath forms of bread and wine.”

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught
us, we are bold to say,



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,
AND THE POWER,
AND THE GLORY,
FOR EVER AND EVER.
AMEN.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

(Alleluia.)

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
THEREFORE LET US KEEP THE FEAST.
(ALLELUIA.)

O LAMB OF GOD,
THAT TAKEST AWAY THE SINS OF
THE WORLD,
HAVE MERCY UPON US.

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O LAMB OF GOD,
THAT TAKEST AWAY THE SINS OF
THE WORLD,
GRANT US THY PEACE.

“I worship thee, Lord Jesus,
Once slain upon the tree,
Now pleading on the altar
Thy sacrifice for me.”



The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The Priest receives the **S**acrament, and we pray for him.

The Priest brings the **B**read and the **C**up to the people.

He says, **T**he **B**ody of **C**hrist ...
The **B**lood of **C**hrist ...

The person who is receiving the **S**acrament may say **A**MEN.

“**G**od, **Y**ou have given us everything, even **Y**our own **S**elf. I give myself to **Y**ou.”

“I worship thee, **L**ord **J**esus,
And kneeling unto thee,
As thou didst come to **M**ary,
I pray thee come to me.

I worship thee, **L**ord **J**esus,
My **K**ing and **S**aviour mild:
Thou hast blest other children;
Bless also me, thy child.”



After Communion, we say a prayer to thank God for giving us this holy Food, and for making us members of the Body of His Son, Jesus.

The Priest may give us a blessing, making the Sign of the Cross.

For all people, the cross means all four directions, all the world. For Christians, the Cross is the sign of Jesus who saves us from sin and death. God's Grace comes to us in this sign.

We show that we are receiving his blessing when we make the Sign of the Cross and say **AMEN**. To make the Sign of the Cross, touch your forehead, your chest, your left shoulder, and your right shoulder.

The Sign of the Cross marks all that we are — body, mind, soul, will, thoughts, feelings, doings and not-doings — for Jesus, and He makes us strong in every way by His Cross.

Then the Priest dismisses us, and we say
THANKS BE TO GOD.



We go into the world to continue our **L**ord's work, showing **H**is love for everyone.

