# The Order of Mass for Weekdays as used at Christ Church, St Leonards





# The Introductory Rites

All stand. The Priest approaches the altar with the ministers and venerates it

# **Entrance Antiphon**

## Sign of the Cross

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.** 

# Greeting

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Priest introduces the Mass and then invites the faithful to the Penitential Act:

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,

and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows, then the Priest says invocations naming the gracious works of the Lord to which he invites the people to respond, as below or similar:

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Kyrie, eleison.

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You came to call sinners:

Christe, eleison.

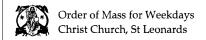
Christe, eleison.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:

Kyrie, eleison.

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May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.



## The Gloria

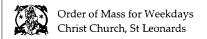
on Feasts and Solemnities

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 sins 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 most high, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

## The Collect

Let us pray.

And all pray in silence with the Priest for a while. Then the Priest says the Collect prayer, at the end of which the people acclaim:



# The Liturgy of the Word

All sit.

# First Reading

The reader concludes:

The word of the Lord.

### Thanks be to God.

Following this reading and the other readings, it is appropriate to have a brief time of quiet as those present take the word of God to heart and begin to prepare a prayerful response to what they have heard.

#### **Psalm**

After the First Reading the Psalm is said, with the people making the response.

# Second Reading

On Sundays and certain feast days there is a second reading. It concludes in the same way:

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# The Gospel

Please stand to sing the Gospel Acclamation to welcome the Gospel & remain standing in honour of the Gospel reading, the high point of the Liturgy of the Word.

The Lord be with you.

# And also with you.

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.

He makes the Sign of the Cross on the book and, together with the people, on his forehead, lips, and breast. At the same time the people acclaim:

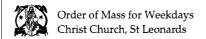
# Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel, the Deacon, or the Priest, acclaims:

The Gospel of the Lord.

# Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the proclamation of the Gospel the congregation is seated.



# The Homily

# The Creed on Solemnities

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, (all bow) was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

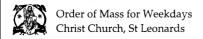
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom 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.



# The Prayer of the Faithful

After each intention there is a pause while the faithful pray. Lord, in your mercy.

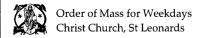
Hear our prayer.

As we pray for the dead: Rest eternal, grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

After the final petition we entrust all our prayer and petitions to the unceasing prayers of the Saints in heaven, especially to the Blessed Virgin Mary who we greet saying: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

The Priest concludes the Prayer with a collect.

When the Liturgy of the Word has been completed, the people sit.



# The Liturgy of the Eucharist

# The Offertory

When he has received the bread and wine for the celebration, the Priest offers prayer of blessing quietly at the altar. Sometimes these prayers are said aloud.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands,

If the Priest says the prayers aloud the assembly's acclamation is:

it will become for us the bread of life.

## Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

If the Priest says the prayers aloud the assembly's acclamation is:

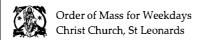
### Blessed be God for ever.

The Priest completes additional personal preparatory rites, and the people rise as he says: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours

may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

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.

Then the Priest says the Prayer over the Offerings, at the end of which the people acclaim:



# THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise

The Priest continues with the Preface.

The Priest concludes the Preface with the people singing or saying aloud:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might.

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.

After this the congregation kneels for the remainder of the Eucharistic Prayer.

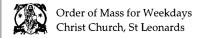
After the words of Consecration the priest says:

The mystery of faith.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer the Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, raising both, he alone says:

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.

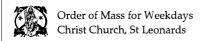


Amen.

# The Communion Rite

# The Lord's Prayer

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare 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. 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. 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.



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

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

# Breaking of the Bread

During the breaking of the host the following is sung or said:

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.

After the Lamb of God, the people kneel.

## **Invitation to Communion**

After his private prayers of preparation the Priest genuflects, takes the host and, holding it slightly raised above the paten or above the chalice says aloud:

Behold the Lamb of God,

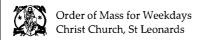
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

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.



#### Communion

After the priest has reverently consumed the Body and Blood of Christ the communicants come forward in reverent procession. If you are confirmed, please come forward to receive Communion: all are welcome to come forward for a blessing: if you would like one, please bow your head.

Holy Communion is offered in both forms at the Communion Rail. Please kneel, unless you are unable. The Host is received on the tongue, or if preferred, on the hands. If you do not wish to receive from the Chalice, you can return to your seat after receiving the Host.

The Priest says:

## The Body of Christ. Amen.

When Communion is ministered under both kinds the minister of the Chalice raises it slightly and shows it to each of the communicants, saying:

The Blood of Christ. Amen.

# **Prayer after Communion**

## Let us pray.

All stand and pray in silence. Then the Priest says the Prayer after Communion, at the end of which the people acclaim:

Amen.

# The Concluding Rites

Any brief announcements to the people follow here. Then the dismissal takes place.

# **Blessing**

The Lord be with you.

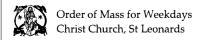
And also with you.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, \* and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

## Dismissal

Go forth, the Mass is ended. Thanks be to God.



# Prayers of thanksgiving after Mass

Lord, Father all-powerful and ever-living God, I thank You, for even though I am a sinner, your unprofitable servant, not because of my worth but in the kindness of your mercy, You have fed me with the Precious Body & Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

I pray that this Holy Communion may not bring me condemnation and punishment but forgiveness and salvation.

May it be a helmet of faith and a shield of good will.

May it purify me from evil ways and put an end to my evil passions.

May it bring me charity and patience, humility and obedience, and growth in the power to do good.

May it be my strong defence against all my enemies, visible and invisible, and the perfect calming of all my evil impulses,

bodily and spiritual.

May it unite me more closely to you, the One true God, and lead me safely through death to everlasting happiness with You.

And I pray that You will lead me, a sinner, to the banquet where you, with Your Son and holy Spirit, are true and perfect light, total fulfilment, everlasting joy, gladness without end, and perfect happiness to your saints. grant this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Almighty God, 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