

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.✠

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

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 Mary, virgin Mother of God, St Thomas the Apostle and our patron, 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

Let us pray with confidence as our ascended Saviour has taught us

All Our Father, who art in heaven...

Breaking of the Bread

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 says the invitation to communion

I heard the voice of a great multitude crying, Alleluia.

The Lord our God has entered into his kingdom.

All Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb. Alleluia.

The Agnus Dei is said.

All Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

The Priest and people now receive holy communion.

Prayer after Communion

All We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all peoples. Amen.

The Dismissal and Blessing

The Lord be with you

All and also with you.

God the Father, who has given to his Son, our great high priest, the name above every name, strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord and the blessing of God almighty ✠the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you always. **All Amen.**

Waiting expectantly for the promised Holy Spirit, go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



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Ascension Day Outdoor Mass

Today we recall how Jesus left this earth and returned to his Father, ascending into heaven to take his place as the King of all Kings. There he prays for us, the Church and the world.

The Sign of the Cross & Greeting Stand

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

All Amen.

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Sit Invitation to Confession

Trusting in Jesus' reign over all creation, and submitting to his kingly yet loving rule, let us confess our sins.

God our Father, you exalted your Son to sit at your right hand, reigns in us again.

All Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, King of kings, and Lord of lords, you are the way, the truth and the life.

Lead us from darkness to light.

All Christ, have mercy.

Holy Spirit, you are sent to be with us for ever; fill us afresh.

All Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God, ✠ forgive you your sins, and keep you in life eternal;

through Jesus Christ our ascended Lord.

All Amen.

Stand: The Gloria in excelsis.

**All 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.

Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven: Grant that as you plead your sacrifice we may join you at the Father's side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever. **All Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading Acts 1.4-11

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Second Reading Ephesians 1.17-23

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Reading

All Alleluia, alleluia.

Go make disciples of all the nations:
I am with you always; to the end of time.

All Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you

✠✠✠Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus

Christ according to St Luke (24. 44-53)

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily is given

The Apostles Creed

All I believe in God,

**the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,
our Lord, who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

On the third day he rose again;

**he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the
Father, and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy
catholic Church, the communion of
saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

Stand **The Peace** in introduced (Jn 14.27,28)

Jesus says: 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. If you love me, rejoice because I am going to the Father'. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Prayer

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

**All 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 Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**All It is right to give thanks and
praise.**

Almighty God, we give you thanks because, after his most glorious resurrection, he appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, we might, likewise, also ascend and reign with him in glory.

Therefore the universe resounds with Easter joy and with choirs of angels we say for ever:

**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 who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. *Sit*

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.