

Prayer over the Offerings

May this oblation, our tribute of homage,
rise up to you, O Lord,
and, through the intercession of the most
Blessed Virgin Mary,
whom you assumed into heaven,
may our hearts, aflame with the fire of love,
constantly long for you... **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just.

The priest gives praise to God and all acclaim:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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 the Consecration we acclaim the
mystery of faith:*

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

or

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.**

or

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

At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer: Amen.

The Communion Rite

**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...

**For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

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

**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.**

Behold the Lamb of God...

**Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

Communion Antiphon

**All generations will call me blessed,
for he who is mighty has done great things
for me.**

Prayer after Communion

Having received the Sacrament of salvation,
we ask you to grant, O Lord,
that, through the intercession of the Blessed
Virgin Mary,
whom you assumed into heaven,
we may be brought to the glory of the
resurrection... **Amen.**

THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

At the end of Mass the people respond:
Thanks be to God.

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

**A great sign appeared in heaven:
a woman clothed with the sun, and the
moon beneath her feet,
and on her head a crown of twelve stars.**

or

**Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
as we celebrate the feast day in honour of
the Virgin Mary,
at whose Assumption the Angels rejoice
and praise the Son of God.**

*All make the Sign of the Cross as the
priest says:*

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

People Amen.

*The priest greets the people in one of
these ways:*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

And with your spirit.

or

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And with your spirit.

or

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

*One of the following acts of penance is now
made:*

**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have
failed to do,**

(all strike their breast and say:)

**through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

or

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.

or

Lord, have mercy. *or* Kyrie, eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Kyrie, eleison.

Christ, have mercy. *or* Christe, eleison.
Christ, have mercy. Christe, eleison.

Lord, have mercy. *or* Kyrie, eleison.
Lord, have mercy. Kyrie, eleison.

After the absolution all respond: Amen.

The Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth 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,
O 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.**

The Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary,
the Mother of your Son,
body and soul into heavenly glory,
grant, we pray,
that, always attentive to the things that are
above,
we may merit to be sharers of her glory...
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Apocalypse 11:19; 12:1-6. 10
A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.
*A woman adorned with the sun, standing on
the moon.*

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened, and
the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a
woman, adorned with the sun, standing on
the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head
for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour,
crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a
second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red
dragon which had seven heads and ten horns,
and each of the seven heads crowned with
a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars
from the sky and dropped them to the earth,
and the dragon stopped in front of the woman
as she was having the child, so that he could
eat it as soon as it was born from its mother.
The woman brought a male child into the
world, the son who was to rule all the nations
with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken
straight up to God and to his throne, while the
woman escaped into the desert, where God
had made a place of safety ready. Then I heard
a voice shout from heaven, "Victory and power
and empire for ever have been won by our
God, and all authority for his Christ."
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 44

**R. On your right stands the queen,
in garments of gold.**

1. The daughters of kings are among your
loved ones.
On your right stands the queen in gold of
Ophir.
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:
forget your own people and your father's
house. **R.**

2. So will the king desire your beauty:
he is your lord, pay homage to him.
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;
they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the
Corinthians.

*Christ as the first-fruits and then those who
belong to him.*

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-
fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came
through one man and in the same way the
resurrection of the dead has come through one
man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will
be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their
proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then,
after the coming of Christ, those who belong
to him. After that will come the end, when he
hands over the kingdom to God the Father,
having done away with every sovereignty,
authority and power. For he must be king until
he has put all his enemies under his feet and the
last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for
everything is to be put under his feet.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Mary has been taken up into heaven;
all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.**

Alleluia!

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Luke 1:39-56

*The Almighty has done great things for me,
he has exalted the lowly.*

Mary set out and went as quickly as she
could to a town in the hill country of Judah.
She went into Zechariah's house and greeted
Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard
Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb
and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.
She gave a loud cry and said, "Of all women
you are the most blessed, and blessed

is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be
honoured with a visit from the mother of my
Lord? For the moment your greeting reached
my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy.
Yes, blessed is she who believed that the
promise made her by the Lord would be
fulfilled."

And Mary said:

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the
Lord
and my spirit exults in God my saviour;
because he has looked upon his lowly
handmaid.

Yes, from this day forward all generations
will call me blessed,
for the Almighty has done great things for
me.

Holy is his name,
and his mercy reaches from age to age for
those who fear him.

He has shown the power of his arm,
he has routed the proud of heart.
He has pulled down princes from their
thrones and exalted the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things,
the rich sent empty away.

He has come to the help of Israel his
servant, mindful of his mercy
– according to the promise he made to
our ancestors –
of his mercy to Abraham and to his
descendants for ever."

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three
months and then went back home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Homily

The Profession of Faith

**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,**

(all bow during the next three lines)

**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,**

**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 bidding prayers now follow:

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*If the prayers of blessing are said aloud the
people acclaim each time:*

Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters)...

**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.