

## The Agnus Dei

Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
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you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sin  
of the world,  
grant us peace.

## Giving of Communion

Christ is the true bread which has come  
down from heaven.  
**Lord, give us this bread always.**

or

God's holy gifts  
for God's holy people.  
**Jesus Christ is holy,  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.**

*During Communion a hymn may be sung, or  
the choir may sing an anthem.*

## Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

*For those unable to receive communion.*

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for  
all the benefits you have given me,  
for all the pains and insults you have  
borne for me.

Since I cannot now receive sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my  
heart.

O most merciful redeemer, friend and  
brother, may I know you more clearly,  
love you more dearly, and follow you  
more nearly, day by day. Amen.

*after the Prayer of St Richard of Chichester*

## Prayer after Communion

*A Post Communion prayer is said,  
followed by:*

**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.**

or

**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.**

*A hymn may be sung.*

## The Dismissal

### The Blessing

*A seasonal blessing may be used to which  
all respond*

**Amen**

*Christmas Season:*

Go in peace.

Proclaim the Word made flesh

**Glory, thanks and praise to God.**

*Epiphany Season*

We have seen his glory, the glory

revealed to the nations.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen**

or

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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## The Eucharist For Christmas and Epiphany

### The Gathering

*A hymn may be sung*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

### The Greeting

Grace mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you  
**and also with you.**

or

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

### Prayer of Preparation

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom  
no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you, and  
worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

### Prayers of Penitence

*A minister invites us to call to mind and then to  
confess our sins.*

**Father eternal, giver of light and  
grace, we have sinned against you and  
against our neighbour,  
in what we have thought,  
in what we have said and done,  
through ignorance, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We have wounded your love  
and marred your image in us.  
We are sorry and ashamed**

**and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus  
Christ, who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and lead us out from darkness  
to walk as children of light.  
Amen.**

*or prayers using these responses or the Kyrie  
Eleison:*

Lord, have mercy **Lord, have mercy**  
Christ, have mercy **Christ, have mercy**  
Lord, have mercy **Lord, have mercy**

### The Absolution

### Gloria in Excelsis

**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

*The president introduces a period of silent  
prayer with the words 'Let us pray'.  
The Collect is said.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### Readings

*At the end*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*There may be a psalm and/or a hymn between the readings.*

### Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### Sermon

### The Creed

**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, 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.**

### Prayers of Intercession

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

*These or other responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy (or) Lord, hear us  
**hear our prayer. Lord, graciously hear us.**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### Liturgy of the Sacrament

#### The Peace

*The presiding priest introduces the Peace with a suitable sentence.*

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

### Preparation of the Table

*A hymn may be sung. Suitable prayers may be said to which the people respond:*

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*or*

Word made flesh, life of the world, in your incarnation you embraced our poverty; by your Spirit may we share in your riches.

**Amen.**

*or*

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church: the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you. *Or* The Lord is here.  
**and also with you. His spirit is**

**with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*The presiding priest praises God for his mighty acts and the choir sings or we all respond*

**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.**

*The prayer continues as the presiding priest recalls the Last Supper and asks God to bless the bread and wine. We respond with one of these acclamations:*

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

*or*

Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.**

*The prayer continues and then concludes:*

... for ever and ever.

**Amen**

*or*

... in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Silence is kept.*

### The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray  
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

### Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

*or*

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

**God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.**