

# **The Eucharist of the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**

## **The Gathering**

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.**

*Words of welcome or introduction is said.*

## **Prayers of Penitence**

God has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of his glory  
in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels  
to show that the transcendent power belongs to God  
and not to us.

As we acknowledge our human frailty,  
we call to mind our sins of word, deed and omission,  
and confess them before God our Father.

**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.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **The Collect**

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words*

Let us pray for the peace and well-being of the whole Church.

*Silence is kept.*

Everlasting God, our maker and redeemer,  
grant us, with all the faithful departed,

the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection,  
that, in the last day,  
when you gather up all things in Christ,  
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

### **First Reading**

*At the end, the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm**

### **Second Reading**

*At the end, the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Reading**

Alleluia, alleluia.

'It is the will of him who sent me,' says the Lord, 'that I should lose none of  
all that he has given me, but raise them up on the last day.' **Alleluia.**

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**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*Let us pray to the Lord, who has conquered death.*

Jesus, bread from heaven, you satisfy the hungry with good things:  
grant us a share with all the faithful departed  
in the banquet of your kingdom.

*Hear us, risen Lord,  
**our resurrection and our life.***

Jesus, the light of the world,  
you gave the man born blind the gift of sight:  
open the eye of faith  
and bring us from darkness  
to your eternal light and glory.

*Hear us, risen Lord,  
**our resurrection and our life.***

Jesus, Son of the living God,  
you summoned your friend Lazarus from death to life:  
raise us at the last to full and eternal life with you.

*Hear us, risen Lord,  
**our resurrection and our life.***

Jesus, crucified Saviour, in your dying you entrusted each to the other,  
Mary your mother and John your beloved disciple:  
sustain and comfort all who mourn.

*Hear us, risen Lord,  
**our resurrection and our life.***

Jesus, our way and truth and life,  
you drew your disciple Thomas from doubt to faith:  
reveal the resurrection faith to the doubting and the lost.

*Hear us, risen Lord,  
our resurrection and our life.*

May God in his infinite love and mercy  
bring the whole Church,  
living and departed in the Lord Jesus,  
to a joyful resurrection  
and the fulfilment of his eternal kingdom.

**Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### **The Peace**

Jesus says:

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives do I give you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled,

neither let them be afraid.

The peace of the risen Lord be always with you

**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

## **Preparation of the Table**

### **Taking of the Bread and Wine**

*This prayer is said*

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;

draw us from hatred to love;  
make the frailty of our praise  
a dwelling place for your glory.

**Amen.**

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

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

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.**

Blessed are you, gracious God,  
creator of heaven and earth,  
giver of life and conqueror of death.

By his death on the cross,  
your Son Jesus Christ  
offered the one true sacrifice for sin,  
breaking the power of evil  
and putting death to flight.

Through his resurrection from the dead  
you have given us new birth into a living hope,  
into an inheritance which is imperishable,  
undefiled and unfading.

The joy of resurrection fills the universe,  
and so we join with angels and archangels,  
with all your faithful people,  
evermore praising you and *saying*:

**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.**

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

Great is the mystery of faith:

**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 Blessed Mary, The Holy Innocents, St Mark 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.

**Amen.**

*Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us*

**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,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

Jesus is the living bread which came down from heaven:  
if anyone eats of this bread, they will live for ever.  
**Lord, give us this bread always.**

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

**Lamb of God, 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**

‘I am the bread of life,’ says the Lord; ‘whoever comes to me will never  
hunger; whoever believes in me will never thirst.’ ‘I am the vine: you are  
the branches.’

**May we dwell in him as he lives in us.**

*The president and people receive communion.*

**The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

You are worthy, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honour and power.

**For you have created all things,  
and by your will they have their being.**

You are worthy, O Lamb, for you were slain,  
and by your blood you ransomed for God  
saints from every tribe and language and nation.

**You have made them to be a kingdom and priests  
serving our God, and they will reign with you on earth.**

*The names of those to be remembered are read out aloud.*

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with the saints:  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all:  
and we are mortal, formed from the dust of the earth,  
and unto earth shall we return.

For so you ordained when you created me, saying:

‘Dust you are and to dust you shall return.’

All of us go down to the dust, yet weeping at the grave, we make our song:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Give rest, O Christ, to your servant with the saints:  
where sorrow and pain are no more,  
neither sighing, but life everlasting.**

Hear us, O merciful Father,  
as we remember in love  
those whom we have placed in your hands.

Acknowledge, we pray, the sheep of your own fold,  
lambs of your own flock,  
sinners of your own redeeming.

Enfold them in the arms of your mercy,  
in the blessed rest of everlasting peace,  
and in the glorious company of the saints in light.

**Amen.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

God of love,  
may the death and resurrection of Christ  
which we have celebrated in this eucharist  
bring us, with all the faithful departed,  
into the peace of your eternal home.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,  
our rock and our salvation,  
to whom be glory for time and for eternity.

**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.**

## **The Blessing**

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

God the Father, by whose love Christ was raised from the dead,  
open to you who believe the gates of everlasting life.

**Amen.**

God the Son, who in bursting the grave has won a glorious victory,  
give you joy as you share the Easter faith.

**Amen.**

God the Holy Spirit, whom the risen Lord breathed into his disciples,  
empower you and fill you with Christ's peace.

**Amen.**

And the blessing ...

## **The Dismissal**

Neither death nor life can separate us from the love of God  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The ministers and people depart.*