

ORDER OF MASS

The 6th Sunday after Epiphany
(The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

16 February 2020

The Introductory Rites

1. When the people are gathered, the presider approaches the altar. The Entrance Antiphon is recited, or it may be recited after the Greeting at ¶2.

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

Amen.

2. Then the presider says:

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

Or:

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

Or:

The Lord be with you.

And all respond:

And also with you.

The presider may very briefly introduce the Mass of the day.

Entrance Antiphon

The presider or another minister says:

**Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.**

Penitential Act

3. Then follows the Penitential Act, to which the presider or another minister invites the people, saying:

**God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy,
welcoming sinners and inviting them to the Lord's table.**

A brief pause for silence follows.

**Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,
confident in God's forgiveness.**

Merciful God,
our maker and our judge,
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
and in what we have failed to do:
we have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;
we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.
Father, forgive us.
Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The presider says:

**Almighty God,
who has promised forgiveness
to all who turn to him in faith:
pardon ✕ you and set you free from all your sins,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie, eleison.

Kyrie, eleison.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christe, eleison.

Christe, eleison.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie, eleison.

Kyrie, eleison.

Or

4. The presider or another minister invites the people to pray in the following or other words, such as those at ¶3:

**Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare to celebrate the sacred mysteries.**

A brief pause for silence follows.

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You came to call sinners:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The presider says:

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

Hymn of Praise

5. **When it is prescribed,** Gloria in excelsis **follows.**

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's 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.

Collect

6. **The presider says:**

Let us pray.

**Almighty God,
you gave the law to guide our lives:
grant that we may never shrink from your commandments,
but, as we are taught by your Spirit,
may fulfil your law in perfect love;
through Christ our Lord and Master,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God now and for ever. Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

7. All sit for the Reading from the Old Testament or as appointed. After each reading the reader may say

Hear the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

8. A Psalm, hymn or anthem may be sung.
9. If there is to be a Second Reading, it follows.
10. The Alleluia or other chant is recited.
11. All stand for the Gospel Reading. The deacon or other reader says:

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The reader says:

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to...
[chapter... verse...]
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

After the Gospel, the reader says:

[For] the Gospel of the Lord,
praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Children's Ministry

12. When there are children present, Godly Play or another ministry may follow.

Homily

13. The Homily follows.

Silence may follow.

Profession of Faith

14. When it is prescribed, Credo in unum Deum follows.

[The presider may introduce the Profession of Faith:

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.]

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 of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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 for the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

15. The presider introduces the prayers. The following form may be used.

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

The prayers may be offered by presider, the deacon and/or other members of the congregation.

Periods of silence may be kept.

Intercessions and thanksgivings may end with an appropriate response, for example:

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

The presider concludes the prayers. The following form may be used:

**Almighty God, you have promised to hear our prayers,
grant that what we have asked in faith
we may by your grace receive,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Greeting of Peace

16. All stand. The Greeting of Peace is introduced with these or other suitable words.

We are the body of Christ.
God's Spirit is with us.

The presider says

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

All may exchange a sign of peace.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

17. **When all is ready, the presider says:**

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

May the Lord accept our sacrifice
for the praise and glory of God's name,
for our good, and the good of all God's holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

18. **The presider says:**

**Eternal God,
you are the strength of the weak
and the comfort of sufferers,
receive all we offer you this day;
turn our sickness into health
and our sorrow into joy.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer

19. The presider begins 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 our thanks and praise.

*"Wisdom in Creation" for use with
A Prayer Book for Australia, 1995*

**O God, eternal Wisdom,
all you have made is beautiful and good.
We thank you for darkness and light,
for this earth and for our bodies,
for growth and change
and all that lies beyond our knowledge and imagination.**

**In every generation you befriend your people.
You gave us your holy Law, sent the prophets,
and called us back to the truth whenever we turned away.**

**You were vindicated in your servant Jesus
who came with forgiveness, feasting, and stories of your grace.
Though we rejected him,
death on a cross could not quench the fire of his love.
You raised him up for us,
the firstborn from the dead,
to build a new community of hope
where all are honoured as Christ's equal friends.**

**And so we praise you
with Mary, mother of the living Word,
and with all your faithful friends,
as we join the angels' song:**

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.

**God of the feast, your household is hungry
for the bread of heaven and the cup of life.
Send your Spirit on us and on our celebration,
so that we may eat at this table and be satisfied
with the sacrament of Christ's body and blood.**

**On the night before he died,
Jesus shared a meal with the people he loved.
He took the bread, gave you thanks,
broke it to share with them, and said:
"Take and eat this: it is my body."**

**Then he took a cup of wine.
Again he thanked you and told them:
"Drink this, all of you: it is my blood,
shed for you and for many
so that sins may be forgiven.
Whenever you do this, do it in memory of me."**

**So we delight to remember Jesus:
the faithfulness of his life,
the victory of his cross,
the glory of his resurrection,
the joy of the Holy Spirit poured out for the Church.**

We proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

O God, holy Wisdom, merciful and generous,
accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.
Make us good stewards of creation,
with justice in our hearts,
courage in our actions and power in our speech
to bear witness to the truth.
Protect us with your glory,
unite your church in loyalty and love,
and bring us home with Mary Magdalene and all your saints
to feast with you for ever.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
and in the Spirit's grace,
with heart and soul and mind and strength
we love and worship you alone, O God,
for ever and ever. Amen.

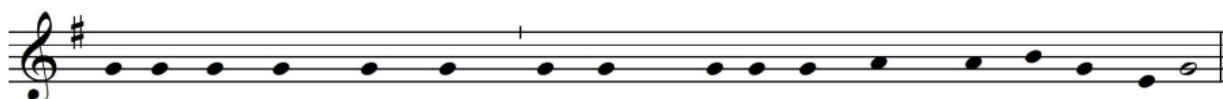
The Lord's Prayer

20. The presider sings:



As our Sav-iour Christ has taught us we are con - fi - dent to pray:

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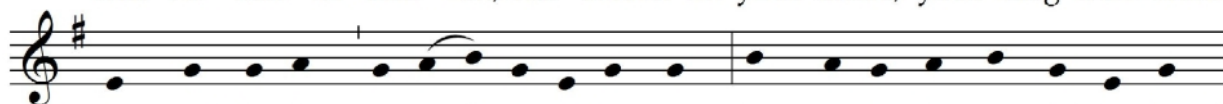


At the Sav-iour's com-mand, and formed by di-vine teach-ing, we dare to say:

All sing



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name, your king - dom come,



your will be done on earth as in hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.

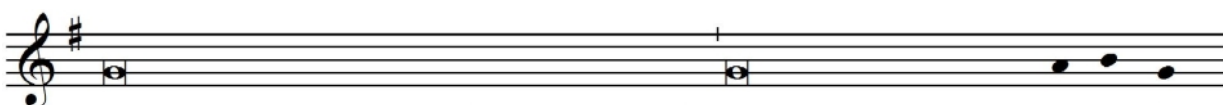


For - give us our sins as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us



from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

The presider continues alone:



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

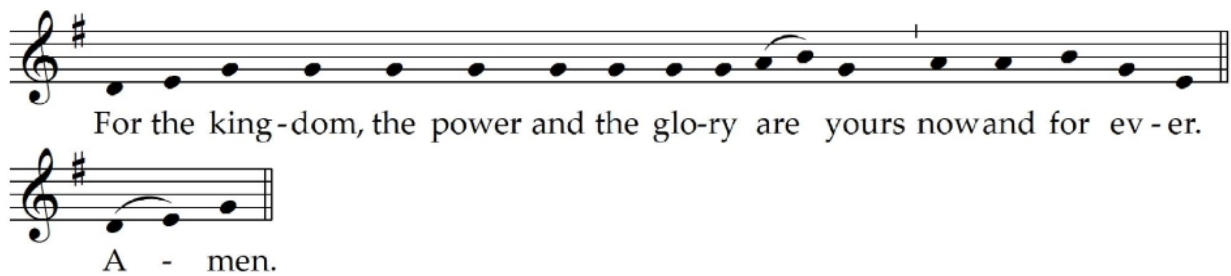


all dis - tress, as we await the bless - ed hope and the coming of our Sav - iour,



Je - sus Christ.

And the people make the prayer their own, singing:



21. **The presider breaks the bread, saying:**

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

We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.

22. **Meanwhile, the anthem Agnus Dei is said.**

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

23. **The presider invites the people to communion:**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

May we who share these gifts
be found in Christ,
and Christ in us.

or

**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 to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

24. **The presider and other communicants receive Holy Communion.**

25. While the presider and ministers receive Holy Communion, the Communion Antiphon may be recited, or it may be said after Communion.

Communion Antiphon

**They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave them;
they were not disappointed in what they craved.**

or

**God so loved the world
that he gave his Only Begotten Son,
so that all who believe in him may not perish,
but may have eternal life.**

Prayer after Communion

26. The presider says:

Let us pray.

**God of tender care,
in this eucharist we celebrate your love
for us and for all people.**

**May we show your love in our lives
and know its fulfilment in your presence.**

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

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27. Notices may be given.

The Concluding Rites

Blessing

28. **The presider says:**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

**The peace of God, which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. Amen.**

Dismissal

29. **The presider or another minister, or the deacon, if present, says:**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Or:

Go forth, the Mass is ended.

Thanks be to God.

Or:

Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.

30. **The presider and ministers depart.**