

Liturgy of Holy Communion - Guide for Ministers (Minister in regular print; group responses in bold)

Opening Song (optional)

Greeting

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

Amen.

The peace of the Lord be with you!
Blessed be God forever:
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The minister places the Eucharist on the prepared table and all adore silently for a moment.

Penitential Act

My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.

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

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

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

Reading

Choose from readings in the Pastoral Care of the Sick (blue booklet, pp. 30-33) or use the Gospel of the day or for the upcoming Sunday.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ...

Glory to you, O Lord.

... The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, Lord, Jesus Christ.

Response

Silence or brief reflection (Suggested resources: blue booklet pp. 34-38; Magnificat; Bp. Barron's daily reflections)

Universal Prayer

God asks us to turn to him in our need, and so we pray for ourselves and others:

The minister or another person present offers specific prayers—see pp. 39-42 in the blue booklet.

...We pray to the Lord.
Lord, hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

Now let us pray as Christ, our Lord, 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.
Amen.**

Communion

The minister shows the Eucharistic Bread to those present, saying:

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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
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

The minister brings the Eucharist to individuals.

The Body of Christ.
Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Observe a brief silence.

Let us pray: All powerful and ever-living God, may the Body and Blood of Jesus your Son, be for us a lasting remedy for body and soul, through Christ, our Lord,
Amen.

Concluding Rite

May the almighty and merciful God bless and protect us, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Closing Song (optional)