

ST MARK'S
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Corpus Christi

The Gathering

The president says

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

All **Amen.**

O sacred feast, in which Christ is received and the memory of his passion is renewed: our minds are filled with grace and a pledge of future glory is given us.

The Greeting

The president greets the people

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All **and also with you.**

Words of welcome or introduction are said

Prayers of Penitence

As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God's love,
revealed in Word and Sacrament, let us call to mind our sins.

Silence is kept

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive our sins:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The president says

God our Father forgive you your sins

and bring you to the fellowship of his table in heaven with his
saints for ever.

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

The Gloria is said

**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

Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruits of your redemption;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Readings

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

All **Alleluia.**

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

‘I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.’

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, ‘How can this man give us his flesh to eat?’ So Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.’

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Reflection

The Creed

The president says:

Let us affirm our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **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

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, listen to the prayers of your people,
gathered at your table.

In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we celebrate how Christ gave us his body
to be our spiritual food,
listen as we pray for his body the Church,
spread throughout the world ...

In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we recognize the presence of Christ,
who takes away the sin of the world,
listen as we pray for that world
and for its peoples for whom his blood was shed ...

In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we come together as Christ gathered with his
friends
to give us this meal of holy fellowship,
listen as we pray for all whom you have given us,
our friends and all whose lives are joined with ours ...

In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we remember the night of Christ's agony and
trial,
listen as we pray for all who share his sufferings

through fear or pain or distress of many kinds ...

In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Here, where we join our praises with the whole company of heaven,

listen as we pray for all who have trusted Christ's promise to raise up on the last day those who eat his flesh and drink his blood ...

In faith we pray:

we pray to you our God.

Lord, satisfy our hunger with the food that lasts,
the bread of God which comes down from heaven
and gives life to the world,

Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

We are the body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace
and builds up our common life.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Preparation of the Altar

Taking of the Bread and Wine

God our sustainer,
receive the gifts we bring before you,
and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all
hunger,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you

All **and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, ...

... Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and saying:

We say the Sanctus and Benedictus:

**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, ...

... Great is the mystery of faith:

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, ...

... 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.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All **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

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Creator of all, we have gathered many grains
and made them into this one bread.

All We look for your Church to be gathered from the ends of
the earth into the kingdom.

The Agnus Dei

We say the Agnus Dei as the bread is broken

**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.**

Communion

Jesus, My God and my all
my soul longs for You.
My heart yearns
to receive you in Holy Communion.
Come, Bread of Angels,
to nourish my soul and to rejoice my heart.
Come most lovable Friend of my soul,
to inflame me with such love
that I may never again
be separated from You.

The president receives Communion on behalf of the people

Spiritual Communion – for those at home

It is an ancient practice of the Church that, when you are prevented from attending the Holy Eucharist, people are invited to express, in the words of St Thomas Aquinas, “an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him.” Therefore, during this time you are invited to pray this prayer:

My Jesus,

I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least

spiritually into my heart.

As though you have already come,

I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you;

never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

All praise to you, our God and Father,
for you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and quenched our thirst from the true vine:
hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ,
we may grow together in unity
and feast with him in his kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The consecrated Host is placed in the monstrance

The Priest kneels before it and censes it

After a period of silent prayer, s/he rises, genuflects and departs.

During the following time of silence, prayers may be offered and scripture read out as we meditate on the presence of Christ with us in the Sacrament.

BENEDICTION

The priest genuflects then kneels before the Sacrament. The Sacrament is censed. Then the priest rises and says:

You have given them bread from heaven,

All **Having all delight within it.**

Lord our God,

in this great sacrament

we come into the presence of Jesus Christ, your Son

born of the Virgin Mary

and crucified for our salvation.

May we who declare our faith in this fountain of love and mercy drink from it the water of everlasting life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen**

After the prayer the priest puts on the humeral veil, goes to the Blessed Sacrament, genuflects, and takes the monstrance with both hands covered by the veil. Facing the people s/he makes the sign of the cross over them with the monstrance, in silence.

The priest returns the Blessed Sacrament to the aumbry, genuflects and removes the humeral veil.

There is no dismissal at the end of this service. Music may be played as the altar party leave.