

THE  
SERVER'S GUIDE  
FOR  
**Low Mass**

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A PRAYER WHICH MAY BE SAID BEFORE  
THE SERVICE.

O ALMIGHTY LORD of Heaven and earth, behold I presume to appear before Thee this day, to assist in offering to Thee by the Hands of our High-Priest, JESUS CHRIST, Thy SON, the Sacrifice of His Body and Blood, in union with the Sacrifice which He offered to Thee upon the Cross; first, for Thine own honour, praise, adoration, and glory; secondly, in remembrance of His Death and Passion; thirdly, in thanksgiving for all Thy blessings bestowed on Thy whole Church, whether triumphant in Heaven or militant on earth, and especially for those bestowed on me, the most unworthy of all; fourthly, for obtaining pardon and remission of all my sins, and of those of all others, whether living or dead, for whom I ought to pray; and lastly, for obtaining all graces and blessings both for myself and for Thy whole Church. Oh, be thou pleased to assist me by Thy grace, that I may behave myself this day as I ought to do in Thy Divine Presence, and that I may so commemorate the Death and Passion of Thy SON as to partake most plentifully of the fruits thereof. Through the Same JESUS CHRIST our Lord. Amen.

PREFACE TO THE EIGHTH EDITION.

“The Server’s Guide” is a Book of Instruction for the use of those who are privileged to assist the Priest in the offering of the Holy Sacrifice at a Low Mass, and of others who are called upon to teach them how to perform their duties “decently and in order.”

For the convenience of beginners and those who have little, or infrequent, experience in serving at the Altar, the order of the Service is followed throughout, so that the book itself can be used at the Altar; but every Server should make it his business to know all that he should do and say, without the assistance of a book or any other guidance, while he is ministering.

It is hoped that the “Guide” may prove useful also to Servers who, however well versed in the duties of their office yet need, from time to time, to consult some such text-book for the refreshing of their memories and the correction of faults and careless habits into which all are liable to fall if not armed against them by diligent study and much prayer.

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*This new edition has been entirely re-written and re-set, and the Editors hope that its directions will be more plain than those in former editions.*

## General Rules.

Arrive at the Church in good time.

Say a short prayer kneeling, before going to the Sacristy.

See that your hands, face, and dress are clean and orderly.

The proper dress of the Server is the Cassock and Surplice, but on lesser days, for convenience, it is permissible to minister in ordinary dress provided it be clean and respectable.

Be careful that all the buttons of your Cassock are fastened, and that your Surplice lies evenly upon your shoulders and hangs properly.

Do not uncover or touch the Sacred Vessels unless you have express permission to do so.

When you are not holding or carrying anything, keep your hands joined palm to palm before your breast, the fingers pointing upwards, right thumb crossed over the left.

Never stare about you: walk steadily without hurrying: stand and kneel quite upright: never put your hands upon the Altar or lean against it.

Your place at the Altar is always at the side opposite to the Missal, except on the one occasion at the end of the Service, when the Priest having closed the Book reads the Last Gospel from the Card, for then you will be on the Epistle side where the Missal is.

Kneel on the lowest step (not on the foot-pace), except during the "Preparation," when you should kneel on the floor.

Go up and down the steps, in front of the Altar not at the ends, and at the sides not in the centre.

Never open or close the Missal or turn over the leaves: when carrying it mind you do not disarrange the markers.

When passing before the Altar, if your hands are empty, walk upon the floor; if you are carrying the Missal, walk on the step below the foot-pace.

Genuflect (or bow, as may be the custom) whenever you pass before the Cross.

When the Blessed Sacrament is lying upon the Altar, that is, from the Consecration to the Ablutions, rise from your place with a genuflection; at other times rise without genuflecting.

Say aloud all the words printed in heavy type like this **Even unto the GOD of my joy and gladness.** You should know all such words by heart.

Make the Sign of the Cross upon yourself, with body quite erect, at the places marked ✠

Bow your head at the words underlined like this Glory be to the FATHER, and to the SON, and to the HOLY GHOST.

Where a thin line is drawn across the page it means that what follows is sometimes omitted and then the Priest passes on to what follows the next, or some later, thin line.

The directions printed in italics are to remind you what you have to do: when these words are enclosed in square brackets it means that they do not apply to all Masses. You should try to learn these rules very perfectly.

The CANON, nearly all of which the Priest says in a low voice, has also been noted in italics; these notes are inserted to help you to follow the Service, but they do not tell you to do anything.

## BEFORE THE SERVICE.

Put on Cassock and Surplice.

Go to the Credence and make sure that all there is in readiness—the Cruets filled with Wine and Water, the Box (or Canister) with sufficient Breads for the people's Communion, the Dish and Towel for the LAVABO.

See that the Altar is duly prepared—the cover removed, the cards in proper positions, the Desk (or Cushion) for the Missal set quite straight, not slanting, on the Epistle side.

*Light the Candles, beginning with that on the Epistle side.*

*Return to the Sacristy.*

*Assist the Celebrant to vest.*

*Stand on his left while he washes his hands; hold the basin and towel if they are required.*

*Kiss the Cross on the Amice, Maniple, and Stole as you present them to him.*

*See that the Alb hangs evenly all round.*

*If necessary, pull down the Stole at the back of the Priest's neck so that it will not be seen above the top of the Chasuble.*

*Take the Missal with both hands at the bottom, letting the top rest upon your breast with the opening to your left.*

*Bow to the Cross when the Priest does so and walk before him into the Church.*

*When you come to the Stoup near the Sacristy door, dip the first finger of your right hand into the Holy Water and with it make the Sign of the Cross upon yourself. Do not offer the Holy Water to the Priest.*

*When you arrive at the steps of the Altar, stand a little aside to the right to allow the Priest to come to the centre, but do not bow to him.*

*With your right hand receive the Priest's Biretta, kissing his hand as you do so, then kiss the Biretta. Bow or genuflect when the Priest makes his reverence to the Cross (or the Blessed Sacrament).*

*Place the Missal, still closed and with its opening towards the centre, on the Desk.*

*Put down the Biretta on the Credence or in some other convenient place. Return to the altar, genuflect or bow at the centre, and kneel on the floor at the Gospel side of, and close to, the Celebrant.*

## THE PREPARATION.

*(Cross yourself).* IN the Name of the FATHER, and of ✠ the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. Amen.

I will go unto the Altar of GOD.

**Even unto the GOD of my joy and gladness.**

GIVE sentence with me, O GOD, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

**For thou art the GOD of my strength, why hast Thou put me from Thee: and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?**

O send out Thy light and Thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling.

**And that I may go unto the Altar of GOD, even unto the GOD of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O GOD my GOD.**

Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

**O put thy trust in GOD: for I will yet give Him thanks which is the help of my countenance and my GOD.**

*(Bow your head).* Glory be to the FATHER, and to the SON: and to the HOLY GHOST;

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**

I will go unto the Altar of GOD.

**Even unto the GOD of my joy and gladness.**

*(Cross yourself).* OUR help is in the ✠ Name of the LORD.  
**Who hath made heaven and earth.**

I confess to GOD Almighty, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, brethren: that I have sinned exceedingly in thought,

word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beg blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, brethren, to pray to the LORD our GOD for me.

*(Bow your head, turning slightly towards the Priest,)* **May Almighty GOD have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to everlasting life. Amen**

*(Bow profoundly.)* **I Confess to God Almighty, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to**  
*(Turn to the Priest)* **you, father : that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through**  
*(Strike your breast gently)* **my fault, through** *(Strike your breast again)* **my fault, through** *(Strike your breast again)* **my most grievous fault. Therefore I beg blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints and** *(Turn to the Priest)* **you father, to pray to the LORD our GOD for me.**

**May Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life.—Amen.**

*(Kneel upright).* May the Almighty and merciful LORD grant us *(Cross yourself)* pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins. **Amen.**

*(Bow slightly).* **Wilt Thou not turn again and quicken us, O LORD.**

**That Thy people may rejoice in Thee.**

**O LORD, show Thy mercy upon us.**

**And grant us Thy Salvation.**

**O LORD, hear my prayer.**

**And let my cry come unto Thee.**

**The LORD be with you.**

**And with thy Spirit.**

Let us pray.

*Rise, as the Priest goes up to the Altar, and kneel on the lowest step.*

WE beseech Thee, O LORD, to take away from us our iniquities : that we may be worthy to enter with pure minds into the Holy of Holies. Through CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

WE beseech Thee, O LORD, by the merits of Thy Saints, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to forgive me all my sins. Amen.

*Cross yourself when the Priest does so at the beginning of the Introit. Bow towards the Cross at the words Glory be to the FATHER, and to the SON: and to the HOLY GHOST.*

✠	<p><b>OUR FATHER.....</b>But deliver us from evil. Amen.</p> <p><b>THE INTROIT</b> <b>ALMIGHTY GOD.....</b>through CHRIST our Lord. <b>Amen.</b></p>
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#### THE KYRIES.

LORD, have mercy.

**LORD, have mercy.**

LORD, have mercy.

**CHRIST, have mercy.**

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**CHRIST, have mercy.**

LORD, have mercy.

**LORD, have mercy.**

LORD, have mercy.

or  
Kyrie eleison.

**Kyrie eleison.**

Kyrie eleison.

**Christe eleison.**

Christe eleison

**Christe eleison.**

Kyrie eleison.

**Kyrie eleison.**

Kyrie eleison.

#### THE COMMANDMENTS.

*After each of the first nine :—*

**LORD, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*After the last :—*

**LORD, have mercy upon us, and write all these Thy laws in our hearts we beseech Thee.**

Let us pray.

THE PRAYER FOR THE QUEEN.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Whose Kingdom.....world without end. **Amen.**

or

ALMIGHTY and everlasting GOD,.....JESUS CHRIST, our LORD. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (see page 22).

THE COLLECT or COLLECTS.

THE LORD be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

After the first and last.....world without end. **Amen.**

THE EPISTLE.

At the end (but only if "Here endeth the Epistle" is not said):

**Thanks be to GOD.**

THE GRADUAL, etc.

*As soon as the Priest begins to move to the centre, rise at once, and take the Desk with the Missal on it to the Gospel side of the Altar, set it down corner-wise so that the opening is turned about half-way towards the centre. Stand on the floor beyond the end of the altar a little to the left of the Priest and turn towards him while he announces the Gospel. As he does so, make the Sign of the Cross—with the side of your thumb, the fingers joined and extended—three times, first on your forehead, then on your lips, and lastly on your breast.*

THE GOSPEL.

THE LORD be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

The Holy✠Gospel is writ✠ten in the.....Chap✠ter of.....

(Join your hands). **Glory be to Thee, O LORD.** (Bow to the Priest).

Cross over to your place at the Epistle corner, and stand there turned towards the Priest.

Bow your head at the Name of JESUS if it occurs (and genuflect if, and when, the Priest does so).

At the end. **Praise be to Thee, O CHRIST.** Do not make the Sign of the Cross. Always kneel even if the Creed is not to be said.

THE CREED.

Kneel: I believe in One (Bow your head) GOD the FATHER Almighty Maker of Heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in One LORD (Bow) JESUS CHRIST, the only-begotten SON of GOD, Begotten of HIS FATHER before all worlds, GOD of GOD, Light of Light, Very GOD of Very GOD, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the FATHER; by Whom all things were made: Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven. (Bow profoundly) And was incarnate by the HOLY GHOST of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the FATHER. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the HOLY GHOST, the LORD, and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the FATHER and the SON, Who with the FATHER and the SON together is (Bow) worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One Holy Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead (Cross yourself) And the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

## THE OFFERTORY.

The LORD be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

*Stand, bow or genuflect at the centre, and go to the Credence. [Receive the Alms and present them to the Priest: when he hands them back to you, take them to the Credence.]*

*[Uncover the box with the Breads, take it to the Epistle end of the Altar, bow, wait on the step below the foot-pace until the Priest has taken what he requires, and bow again. Return to the Credence and put down the box.]*

*Remove the stoppers, and carry the Cruets to the Priest with the Wine in your right hand and the Water in your left, handles towards the Priest. The Priest's hand is not kissed.*

*Bow, kiss the Wine Cruet, hand it to the Priest. Pass the Water Cruet to your right hand, and with your left receive the Wine Cruet from the Priest, kissing it as you do so.*

*Hold the Water Cruet up while the water is being blessed, then kiss it, and give it to the Priest. Receive the Water Cruet back with your right hand, kiss it, bow to the Priest, and then replace the Wine Cruet on the Credence. Return to the Altar with the Water Cruet in your right hand, the Dish in your left, and the Towel over your left arm. Bow to the Priest, hold the Dish under his hands, and pour gently a little of the water over his fingers until he gives you a sign to stop: you must be careful that none of the water is spilled outside the Dish. When the Priest returns the Towel, bow, retire to the Credence, put down the Dish, Cruet and Towel, and arrange everything in order.*

*Return to the Altar direct, taking the Bell with you and being careful not to sound it.*

*Kneel in your usual place on the lowest step at the Epistle side and put the Bell down near your right hand.*

PRAY, brethren: that  
my Sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to  
GOD the FATHER  
Almighty.

LET us pray for the  
whole state of CHRIST'S  
Church militant here in  
earth.

*(If you have not returned to your place, whatever you may be doing at the time, kneel where you are and say the response that follows, rise, and do the rest as above).*

The LORD receive the Sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of His Name, and to our benefit and that of all His Holy Church. Amen.

THE SECRET  
OR SECRETS.

After the first  
and last.

.....world with-  
out end. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH.

ALMIGHTY and everliving GOD,

...our only Mediator and Advocate.  
Amen.

## THE EXHORTATION.

YE that do truly.....meekly kneeling upon your knees.

## THE CONFESSION.

*(Bow profoundly).* **ALMIGHTY GOD,—FATHER of our LORD JESUS CHRIST,—Maker of all things,—Judge of all men;—We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,—Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed,—By thought, word, and deed,—Against Thy Divine Majesty,—Provoking most justly Thy wrath and indignation against us.—We do earnestly repent,—And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings:—The remembrance of them is grievous unto us;—The burden of them is intolerable.—Have mercy upon us,—Have mercy upon us, most merciful FATHER;—For thy SON our LORD JESUS CHRIST'S sake—Forgive us all that is past;—And grant that we may ever hereafter—Serve and please Thee—In newness of life,—To the honour and glory of Thy Name;—Through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. Amen.**



## THE ABSOLUTION.

ALMIGHTY GOD, our heavenly FATHER, Who of His great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Him; Have mercy upon you; (Cross yourself) Pardons and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

## THE COMFORTABLE WORDS.

(Raise your head). HEAR what comfortable words.....  
for our sins

## THE PREFACE.

The LORD be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up unto the LORD.**

Let us give thanks unto (Bow) our LORD GOD.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O LORD [Holy FATHER,] Almighty, Everlasting GOD.

[Proper, if any.]

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name; evermore praising Thee, and saying (Bow and ring bell) Holy, (Ring) Holy, (Ring) Holy LORD GOD of hosts, heaven and earth are full of Thy glory: Glory be to Thee, O LORD most High.

(Cross yourself). Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the LORD. Hosanna in the Highest.

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS.

(Sometimes this is said before the Preface.)

We do not presume.....dwell in Him, and He in us.

**Amen.**

## THE CANON.

THEE therefore, O most merciful FATHER, through JESUS CHRIST Thy SON our LORD, we humbly pray, and beseech (The Priest kisses the Altar) that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to accept, and bless (He makes the sign of the Cross thrice over the Host and Chalice together, saying) these Gifts, these Offerings, this holy and unspotted Sacrifice (with hands extended he continues) which we offer unto Thee, in the first place, for Thy Holy Catholic Church: that Thou wouldest be pleased to keep it in peace, to preserve, unite, and govern it throughout the world: together with all the Bishops, our own Bishop (N.), and all true believers, and worshippers of the Catholic and Apostolic Faith.

## COMMEMORATION OF THE LIVING.

Be mindful, O LORD, of Thy servants and handmaids N. and N....(He joins his hands, and prays awhile for those whom he intends to commemorate; extending his hands he continues:) and of all here present, whose faith Thou perceivest, and whose devotion Thou knowest, for whom we offer unto Thee: or who themselves offer unto Thee: this Sacrifice of praise, for themselves, and all that belong to them: for the redemption of their souls, for the hope of their salvation and safety: and who pay their vows unto Thee the eternal, living and true GOD.

## WITHIN THE ACTION.

Joining in communion with,

[Proper, if any.]

and reverencing the memory, in the first place of the glorious and ever Virgin Mary, Mother of our GOD and LORD JESUS CHRIST: as also of Thy blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip,



Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Thaddæus, Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian : and of all Thy Saints ; for whose merits, and prayers, do Thou grant, that in all things we may be defended by the help of Thy protection (*He joins his hands :*) Through the same CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

(*Spreading his hands over the Oblations, he says :*) This Oblation therefore of our bounden duty and service, and also of Thy whole family,

[*Proper, if any*]

we beseech Thee, O LORD, graciously to accept : and do Thou order our days in Thy Peace, and bid us to be delivered from eternal damnation, and to be numbered in the flock of Thine elect. (*He joins his hands*). Through CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

Which Oblation do Thou, O GOD, we beseech Thee, vouchsafe, in all respects to make (*He makes the Sign of the Cross thrice over the Oblations*), blessed, approved, ratified, reasonable, and acceptable : that it may become unto us (*He signs once over the Host*), the Body (*and once over the Chalice*), and Blood of Thy most dearly beloved SON (*He joins his hands*), JESUS CHRIST our LORD.

ALMIGHTY GOD, our heavenly FATHER, Who of Thy tender mercy didst give Thine only SON JESUS CHRIST to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption ; Who made there, by His one Oblation of Himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient Sacrifice, Oblation, and Satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world ; and did institute, and in His holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that His precious Death, until His coming again (*Ring bell gently once*) ; Hear us, O merciful FATHER, we most humbly beseech Thee ; and grant that we receiving these Thy creatures of bread and wine, according to Thy SON our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST's holy institution, in remembrance of His Death and Passion, may be partakers of His most blessed Body and Blood :

(*Taking the Bell in your right hand, rise without genuflecting, kneel on the top step a little to the right of and behind the Priest*).

WHO in the same night that He was betrayed, took Bread ; and when He had given thanks, He brake it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat,

THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU : (*When the Priest genuflects, ring the Bell. When he elevates the Host, bow profoundly, ring the Bell again and, at the same time, raise the bottom of the Chasuble slightly with your left hand. When he genuflects, ring the Bell the third time.*) Do this in remembrance of Me. Likewise after supper He took the Cup : and, when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this ;

(*As before, when the Priest genuflects, ring the Bell. When he elevates the Chalice, bow profoundly, ring the Bell again and, at the same time, raise the bottom of the Chasuble slightly with your left hand. When he genuflects, ring the Bell the third time.*)

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS ; Do this as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. Amen.

(*Taking the Bell with you, return to your place at the lowest step on the Epistle side, and kneel there*).

WHEREFORE, O LORD, we Thy servants, and Thy holy people, having in remembrance the blessed Passion of the same CHRIST Thy SON our LORD, as also His Resurrection from Hell, and His glorious Ascension into Heaven : do offer unto Thy most excellent Majesty of Thine own gifts bestowed upon us, (*He joins his hands and makes the Sign of the Cross thrice over the Host and Chalice together, saying :*) a pure Victim, a holy Victim, a spotless Victim, (*and once over the Host saying*) the Holy Bread of eternal Life, (*and once over the Chalice, saying :*) and the Cup of everlasting Salvation.

(*With hands extended he continues :*) Upon which vouchsafe to look with a favourable and gracious countenance : and to accept them, as Thou wast pleased to accept the gifts of Thy righteous servant Abel, and the sacrifice of our Patriarch Abraham : and that holy sacrifice, that spotless offering, which Thy high priest Melchisedech offered unto Thee.

*(Bowing low, with hands joined and laid upon the Altar, he says:)*

We most humbly beseech Thee, Almighty GOD: to command that these Oblations be borne by the hand of Thy holy Angel to Thine Altar on high, in the sight of Thy Divine Majesty: that so many of us, as *(He kisses the Altar,)* by partaking at this Altar, shall receive *(He joins his hands and makes the Sign of the Cross once over the Host and once over the Chalice,)* the most Sacred Body and Blood of Thy SON, *(He signs himself, saying:)* may be filled with all heavenly benediction and grace. *(He joins his hands).* Through the same CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

#### COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD.

Be mindful also, O LORD, of Thy servants, and handmaids N. and N. who have gone before us with the sign of faith, and rest in the sleep of peace.

*(He joins his hands, and prays awhile for the dead whom he intends to commemorate: extending his hands he continues:)*

To these, O LORD, and to all that rest in CHRIST, grant we beseech Thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace. *(He joins his hands, and bows his head, saying:)* Through the same CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

To us also Thy sinful servants, *(With hands extended as before he continues in a low voice:)* trusting in the multitude of Thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part, and fellowship, with Thy holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia, and all Thy Saints: into whose company, we beseech Thee to admit us, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences. *(He joins his hands.)* Through CHRIST our LORD. By Whom, O LORD, Thou dost ever create all these good Things, *(He signs thrice over the Host, and Chalice together, saying:)* dost sanctify, quicken, bless, and bestow them upon us. *(He uncovers the Chalice, genuflects, and with the Host signs thrice over the Chalice, saying:)*

Through Him, and with Him, and in Him, *(and twice between himself and the Chalice, saying:)* be unto Thee, O GOD the FATHER Almighty, in the unity of the HOLY GHOST, *(Elevating the Chalice and the Host a little, he says:)* all honour, and glory. *(He replaces the Host, covers the Chalice, genuflects, rises, and says aloud:)* World without end. Amen.

Let us pray.

As our SAVIOUR CHRIST hath commanded and taught us, we are bold to say: OUR FATHER.....And lead us not into temptation. **But deliver us from evil.** Amen.

*(Taking the Paten in his right hand he continues in a low voice:)*

Deliver us, O LORD, we beseech Thee, from all evils, past, present, and to come: and at the intercession of the blessed, and glorious ever Virgin Mary, Mother of GOD, and of Thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, of Andrew, and of all the Saints, *(He signs himself with the Paten),* graciously grant peace in our time: *(He kisses it,)* that by the help of Thy mercy, we may be ever set free from sin, and safe from all distress.

*(He puts the Paten under the Host, uncovers the Chalice, genuflects, rises, breaks the Host in half over the Chalice, saying:)*

Through the same JESUS CHRIST Thy SON our LORD. *(He breaks off a particle, saying:)* Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the HOLY GHOST, GOD, *(Holding it over the Chalice, he says aloud:)* World without end. **Amen.**

*(He signs thrice with the Particle over the Chalice, saying:)* The Peace of the LORD be always with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

*(He lets the Particle fall into the Chalice, saying in a low voice:)*

May this commixture, and consecration of the Body and Blood of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, be unto us that partake thereof, effectual unto everlasting life. Amen.

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O LAMB of GOD, That takest away the sins of the world: *(Strike your breast)* have mercy upon us.

O LAMB of GOD, That takest away the sins of the world: *(Strike your breast)* have mercy upon us.

O LAMB of GOD, That takest away the sins of the world: *(Strike your breast)* grant us Thy peace.

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*At Requiem Mass.*

O LAMB of GOD, That takest away the sins of the world : grant them rest.

O LAMB of GOD, That takest away the sins of the world : grant them rest.

O LAMB of GOD, That takest away the sins of the world : grant them rest eternal.

*This is omitted at Requiem Mass.*

O LORD JESU CHRIST, Who saidst unto Thine Apostles : Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you : regard not my sins but the faith of Thy Church : and grant her that peace and unity which is according to Thy will : Who livest and reignest GOD world without end. Amen.

O LORD JESU CHRIST, SON of the LIVING GOD, Who according to the will of the FATHER, and by the co-operation of the HOLY GHOST, hast by Thy Death given Life unto the world : deliver me by Thy most sacred Body and Blood from all mine iniquities, and from every evil : and make me ever to cleave unto Thy commandments, and suffer me never to be separated from Thee : Who with the same GOD the FATHER, and the HOLY GHOST livest and reignest GOD world without end. Amen.

LET the partaking of Thy Body, O LORD JESU CHRIST, which I although unworthy presume to receive, turn not to my judgment and condemnation : but according to Thy loving-kindness let it be profitable unto me for the receiving of protection and healing both of body and soul : Who livest and reignest with GOD the FATHER in the unity of the HOLY GHOST GOD, world without end. Amen.

I will receive the Bread of heaven, and call upon the Name of the LORD.

LORD, (*Ring Bell*) I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof : but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

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(*Bow profoundly while the Priest is making his communion*).

The BODY of our LORD JESUS CHRIST preserve my soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

What reward shall I give unto the LORD for all the benefits that He hath done unto me? I will receive the Cup of Salvation, and call upon the Name of the LORD. I will call upon the LORD Which is worthy to be praised, and so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

The BLOOD of our LORD JESUS CHRIST preserve my soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

(*If you wish to communicate, remain in your place until you have received the Blessed Sacrament in both kinds*).

Rise, genuflect, take the Bell to the Credence, then [*kneel there, facing the Gospel side so that you do not turn your back upon the Blessed Sacrament, while the Priest is giving Communion to the people. When all have communicated,*] take the Cruets, the Wine in your right hand and the Water in your left, go to the Epistle corner, and stand below the foot-pace.

When the Priest holds out the Chalice—if necessary you may step on to the foot-pace—pour gently into it a little wine,—he may give you a sign to stop, but as a rule about a teaspoonful will be sufficient unless many have communicated—and step back below the foot-pace.

When the Priest brings the Chalice to the Epistle corner, bow, pour over his fingers first a little wine and then a larger quantity of water—all that remains in the Cruet unless he gives you a sign to stop—taking care that it does not splash and that all goes into the Chalice, and bow before you retire.

Return to the Credence and replace the Cruets.

Go to the centre of the Altar, bow or genuflect, take the Missal over to the Epistle Corner and set it down in the same position as for the Introit.

Go to the Gospel-side, bowing or genuflecting in the centre, and kneel there on the lowest step.

## THE COMMUNION.

OUR FATHER...For ever  
and ever. Amen.

The LORD be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

## THE POST-COMMUNION

or

## POST-COMMUNIONS.

O LORD and heavenly  
FATHER..... or  
ALMIGHTY and ever-  
living GOD.....

*After the first and last.....world without end.*

**Amen.**

The LORD be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Go, Mass is ended. (Alleluia, alleluia.)  
**Thanks be to God. (Alleluia, alleluia.)**

Let us bless the LORD.  
**Thanks be to GOD.**

May they rest in peace.  
**Amen.**

GLORY be to GOD on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O LORD GOD, heavenly King, GOD the FATHER Almighty.

O LORD, the only-begotten SON, JESU CHRIST, O LORD GOD, LAMB of GOD, SON of the FATHER, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. (Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.) Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of GOD the FATHER, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the LORD; Thou only O (JESUS) CHRIST, with the (Cross yourself) HOLY ✠ GHOST, art most high in the glory of GOD the FATHER. Amen.

[If the Priest has left the Missal open, rise, take it to the Gospel corner of the Altar, set it down so that the opening is turned about half-way towards the centre, and kneel again in your place on that side without crossing over.]

LET this my bounden duty and service be pleasing unto Thee, O HOLY TRINITY: and grant that the Sacrifice which, all unworthy, I have offered up in the sight of Thy Majesty, may be acceptable unto Thee, and may through Thy mercy obtain Thy favour, for me and all those for whom I have offered it. Through CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

THE Peace of GOD, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of GOD and of His SON JESUS CHRIST our LORD: and

Bow profoundly. The Blessing of GOD Almighty, the FATHER (Cross yourself) the ✠ SON, and the HOLY GHOST, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Rise, stand at the Gospel corner facing the Priest, and, while he announces the last Gospel, make the sign of the Cross (thrice) upon your forehead, lips, and breast, as at the first Gospel.

## THE LAST GOSPEL.

The LORD be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

The Beginning (or Continuation) ✠ of the Holy ✠ Gospel accord ✠ ing to.....

Join your hands. **Glory be to Thee, O LORD.**

Cross over to the Epistle side, and stand there turned towards the Priest. Genuflect if, and when, the Priest does so.

At the end. **Thanks be to GOD.**

Take the Missal from its stand, carry it as at the entrance, fetch the Biretta, and stand below the steps, a little to the Epistle side, facing the Altar. Kiss the Biretta, and with your right hand give it to the Priest, kissing his hand as you do so, genuflect when he makes his reverence, turn and walk in front of him to the Sacristy.

## AFTER THE SERVICE.

*Bow with the Priest to the Cross in the Sacristy and, when you have put down the Missal, assist him to unvest, kissing the Stole, Maniple and Amice as you receive them.*

*Return to the Altar, put out the Candles, beginning with that on the Gospel side, Remove the Book Desk and Cards, and replace the cover on the Altar. When everything is in its place, take the Cruets and return to the Sacristy. Take off your Surplice and Cassock, and bow to the Priest. Retire to the Church and kneel to say a short prayer before leaving.*

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## A PRAYER WHICH MAY BE SAID AFTER THE SERVICE.

**I** THANK Thee, O my God, for Thy great mercy in permitting me to be present this day and to assist at this Holy Sacrifice. Receive, O LORD, my unworthy prayers; supply all my defects, and forgive all wandering thoughts or coldness of heart which Thou hast seen in me. Grant that, by virtue of these divine Mysteries, I may ever continue faithful to Thee, and live and die in Thy grace: that so when my earthly time of trial is ended, I may attain to Thy Heavenly Kingdom: and there with all the blessed Angels and Saints more clearly contemplate Thee, more perfectly love Thee, and more worthily praise and glorify Thy name throughout eternity. Amen.

Our Father, etc.      Hail Mary, etc.

✠ May the souls of the Faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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