CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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**The Order of Mass**

**The Introductory Rites**

**Entrance Hymn**

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

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Starting with Verse 6.

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here.
2. O come, thou Wisdom from on high, Who orders all things mightily; To us the path of faith/lovestry we know.
3. O come, O come, thou Rod of Jesse’s tree, Free them from Satan’s tyranny That trust in thee may safely hold.
4. O come, thou Key of David, come, And open wide the gates of death That we may praise thy people, Israel.
5. O come, thou Day-spring from on high, And cheer us by thy radiant presence. Bind in one the hearts of all the faithful
6. By thy draw-ing nigh; Disperse the gloom, and stay all evil tongues. Bid thou our sad division cease.
7. Hearts of all the faithful
8. Exile here until the Son of God appear. And teach us in her ways to go. And give the law, in cloud and majesty, and awe. And save them, and give them victory over the grave. And close the path to misery. And death’s dark shadow put to flight. And be thyself our King of peace. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel! Shall come to you, O Israel.
Hark! my lover--here he comes
springing across the mountains,
leaping across the hills.
My lover is like a gazelle
or a young stag.
Here he stands behind our wall,
gazing through the windows,
peering through the lattices.
My lover speaks; he says to me,
"Arise, my beloved, my dove, my beautiful one,
and come!"
"For see, the winter is past,
the rains are over and gone.
The flowers appear on the earth,
the time of pruning the vines has come,
and the song of the dove is heard in our land.
The fig tree puts forth its figs,
and the vines, in bloom, give forth fragrance.
Arise, my beloved, my beautiful one,
and come!
"O my dove in the clefts of the rock,
in the secret recesses of the cliff,
Let me see you,
let me hear your voice,
For your voice is sweet,
and you are lovely."
Shout for joy, O daughter Zion!
Sing joyfully, O Israel!
Be glad and exult with all your heart,
   O daughter Jerusalem!
The LORD has removed the judgment against you,
   he has turned away your enemies;
The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst,
   you have no further misfortune to fear.
On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem:
   Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged!
The LORD, your God, is in your midst,
   a mighty savior;
He will rejoice over you with gladness,
and renew you in his love,
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as one sings at festivals.

The word of the Lord.

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or: Zephaniah 3:14-18a

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21

(1a; 3a) Exult, you just, in the Lord! Sing to him a new song.

Give thanks to the LORD on the harp;
   with the ten-stringed lyre chant his praises.
Sing to him a new song;
   pluck the strings skillfully, with shouts of gladness. R

But the plan of the LORD stands forever;
   the design of his heart, through all generations.
Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD,
   the people he has chosen for his own inheritance. R

Our soul waits for the LORD,
   who is our help and our shield,
For in him our hearts rejoice;
   in his holy name we trust. R
Mary set out in those days
and traveled to the hill country in haste
to a town of Judah,
where she entered the house of Zechariah
and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting,
the infant leaped in her womb,
and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,
cried out in a loud voice and said,
“Most blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

And how does this happen to me,
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears,
the infant in my womb leaped for joy.

Blessed are you who believed
that what was spoken to you by the Lord
would be fulfilled.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. 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.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

GREAT AMEN

Amen.
The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

Roman Missal

The Communion

The reception of Holy Communion is the most sacred act for Catholics. We believe that we are then receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. Catholics who are properly prepared should approach the ministers of Holy Communion. We ask non-Catholics not to receive. They are encouraged, however, to come forward with arms crossed over their heart to receive a blessing.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.
1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
3. Rank on rank, the host of heaven
4. At his feet the six-wing'd seraph,

1. And with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing
2. As of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords in
3. Spreads its vanguard on the way, As the light of
4. Cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es

1. earth - ly mind - ed, For with bless - ing in his
2. hu - man ves - ture, In the bo - dy and the
3. light de - scend - eth From the realms of end - less
4. to the Pres - ence, As with cease - less voice they

1. hand Christ our God to earth de - scend - -
2. blood He will give to all the faith - -
3. day, That the pow'rs of hell may van - -
4. cry, "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - -

1. eth, Our full hom - age to de - mand.
2. ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
3. ish As the dark - ness clears a - way.
4. ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Lord, most high!"
The Concluding Rites

Recessional Hymn

“Lift Up Your Heads”

TRURO

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
2. O blest the land, the city blest,
3. Fling wide the portals of your heart;
4. So come, my Sovereign; enter in!

1. Behold the King of glory waits!
2. Where Christ the ruler is confessed!
3. Make it a temple, set apart
4. Let new and nobler life begin;

1. The King of kings is drawing near;
2. O happy hearts and happy homes
3. From earthly use for heav'n's employ,
4. Thy Holy Spirit guide us on,

1. The Savior of the world is here.
2. To whom this King of triumph comes!
3. Adorned with prayer and love and joy.
4. Until the glorious crown be won.
GUIDELINES FOR THE RECEIPTION OF COMMUNION

FOR CATHOLICS
As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (Code of Canon Law, canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

FOR OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS
We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ’s prayer for us “that they may all be one” (John 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 §4). Members of Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic Discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of Communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 §3).

FOR THOSE NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION
All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

FOR NON-CATHOLICS
We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

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