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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

SAINT AGATHA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR
MEMORIAL

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THE ORDER OF MASS
THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE HYMN

“For the Beauty of the Earth”
DIX

1. For the beauty of the earth,
   For the beauty of each hour,
   For the joy of human love,
   For thy Church, that ever more
   For thyself, best Gift Divine!

2. Day and of the night,
   Hill and vale, and
   Friends on earth and
   Of f'ring up on
   To our

3. Sister, parent, child,
   For the love which
   For that great, great

4. Holy hands above,
   Lord of all, to thee we raise
   This our hymn of grateful praise.
   For all gentle thoughts and
   For all.

5. Race so freely giv'n;
   For the earth and joy in heav'n:
   Tree and flower, sun and moon, and
   Over and around us lies:
   Love of thine, peace on earth and


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adapt. Litany of the Saints

Let brotherly love continue.
Do not neglect hospitality,
for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels.
Be mindful of prisoners as if sharing their imprisonment,
and of the ill-treated as of yourselves,
for you also are in the body.
Let marriage be honored among all
and the marriage bed be kept undefiled,
for God will judge the immoral and adulterers.
Let your life be free from love of money
but be content with what you have,
for he has said, I will never forsake you or abandon you.
Thus we may say with confidence:

    The Lord is my helper,
    and I will not be afraid.
    What can anyone do to me?

Remember your leaders who spoke the word of God to you.
Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.
Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
King Herod heard about Jesus, for his fame had become widespread, and people were saying, 
“John the Baptist has been raised from the dead; That is why mighty powers are at work in him.” Others were saying, “He is Elijah”; still others, “He is a prophet like any of the prophets.” But when Herod learned of it, he said, “It is John whom I beheaded. He has been raised up.”
Herod was the one who had John arrested and bound in prison on account of Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip, whom he had married.
John had said to Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother’s wife.”
Herodias harbored a grudge against him and wanted to kill him but was unable to do so.
Herod feared John, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man, and kept him in custody.
When he heard him speak he was very much perplexed, yet he liked to listen to him.
Herodias had an opportunity one day when Herod, on his birthday, gave a banquet for his courtiers, his military officers, and the leading men of Galilee.
His own daughter came in and performed a dance that delighted Herod and his guests.
The king said to the girl, “Ask of me whatever you wish and I will grant it to you.”
He even swore many things to her, “I will grant you whatever you ask of me, even to half of my kingdom.”

She went out and said to her mother, “What shall I ask for?”
Her mother replied, “The head of John the Baptist.”
The girl hurried back to the king’s presence and made her request, “I want you to give me at once on a platter the head of John the Baptist.”
The king was deeply distressed, but because of his oaths and the guests he did not wish to break his word to her.
So he promptly dispatched an executioner with orders to bring back his head.
He went off and beheaded him in the prison.
He brought in the head on a platter and gave it to the girl.
The girl in turn gave it to her mother.
When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

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.

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MYSTERY OF FAITH

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

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GREAT AMEN

Amen.
The Communion Rite

The Lord’s Prayer

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, Grant us peace.

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.
"Godhead Here in Hiding"
ADORO TE DEVOTE

1. Godhead here in hiding Whom I do adore,
Masked by these bare shadows, Shape and nothing more,
See, Lord, at thy service Low lies here a heart
Lost, all lost in wonder At the God thou art.

2. Seeing, touching, tasting Are in thee deceived;
How says trusting hearing? That shall be believed;
What God's Son has told me, Take for truth I do;
Truth himself speaks truly Or there's nothing true.

3. On the cross thy Godhead Made no sign to men;
Here thy very manhood Steals from human ken;
Both are my confession, Both are my belief;
And I pray the prayer Of the dying thief.

4. I am not like Thomas, Wounds I cannot see;
But I plainly call thee Lord and God as he:
This faith each day deeper Be my holding of,
Daily make me harder Hope and dearer love.

5. O thou, our reminder Of the Crucified,
Living Bread, the life of Us for whom he died,
Lend this life to me, then; Feed and feast my mind,
There be thou the sweetness man was meant to find.

6. Like what tender tales tell Of the Pelican,
Bathe me, Jesus Lord, in What thy bosom ran--
Blood that but one drop of Has the power to win,
All the world for-giveness Of its world of sin.

7. Jesus, whom I look at Shroud-ed here be-low,
I beseech thee, send me What I thirst for so,
Some day to gaze on thee Face to face in light,
And be blest for-ev-er With thy glory's sight.
THE CONCLUDING RITES

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“For the Fruits of His Creation”

AR HYDY NOS

1. For the fruits of His Creation, Thanks be to God.
2. In the just reward of labor, God’s will be done.
3. For the harvests of the Spirit, Thanks be to God.

For the gifts of every nation, Thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neighbor, God’s will be done.
For the good we all inherit, Thanks be to God.

For the plowing, sowing, reaping, Silent
In our worldwide task of caring For the
For the wonders that astound us, For the

growth while we are sleeping, Future needs in
hungry and despairing, In the harvests
truths that still confound us, Most of all, that

earth’s safe-keeping, Thanks be to God.
we are sharing, God’s will be done.
love has found us, Thanks be to God.

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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-CHRISTIANS
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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