

**MASS ON THE FEAST  
OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

*Angelus*

The angel of the Lord brought good news to Mary  
**and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

**H**ail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with you;  
blessed are you among women  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
**Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners now  
and at the time of our death. Amen.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord;  
**let it be to me according to your Word.**

Hail Mary ...

And the Word became flesh  
**and went about among us.**

Hail Mary ...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God  
**that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray.

**W**e beseech you, O Lord,  
pour your grace into our hearts,  
that, as we have known of the incarnation of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
by the message of an angel,  
so by his cross and ✠ passion  
may we be brought into the glory of his resurrection;  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## Greeting

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy ✕ Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you;  
**and also with you.**

## Confession

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour, Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. So let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.  
*cf. Titus 2.11-14*

My soul magnifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.  
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

He has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.  
Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy.**

His mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation.  
Lord have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

*Luke 1.46-48, 50*

**A**lmighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Gloria

**G**lory 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.**

**Collect**

Let us pray.

**A**lmighty God,  
who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:  
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood  
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

**Epistle Reading**

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, 'Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.' But Ahaz said, 'I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test.' Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.'

*Isaiah 7.10-14*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Psalm

**R: Do not withhold your compassion from me, O Lord  
let your love and your faithfulness always preserve me.**

Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God.

How great your designs for us!

There is none that can be compared with you.

If I were to proclaim them and tell of them  
they would be more than I am able to express. *R.*

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire

but my ears you have opened;

Burnt offering and sacrifice for sin you have not required;

then said I: 'Lo, I come. *R.*

'In the scroll of the book it is written of me

that I should do your will, O my God;

I delight to do it: your law is within my heart.'

I have declared your righteousness in the great congregation;

behold, I did not restrain my lips,

and that, O Lord, you know. *R.*

Your righteousness I have not hidden in my heart;

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;

I have not concealed your loving-kindness and truth

from the great congregation. *R.*

*Psalm 40.5-11 R 12*

## Gospel Reading

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Mighty One has done great things for me,

and holy is his name.

**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

*Luke 1.49*

The Lord be with you;

**and also with you.**

**H**ear the ✠ Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

*Luke 1.26-38*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Creed**

**W**e believe in one God, 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.**

### ***Intercessions***

*Prayers of intercession are offered.*

**M**erciful Father,  
accept these prayers  
for the sake of you Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

### ***Declaration of the Peace***

In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death and to guide our feet into the way of peace. *Luke 1.78-79*

The peace of the Lord be always with you;  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## *Prayer over the Offerings*

**A**lmighty God,  
so fill us with your grace,  
that we in all things may accept your holy will  
and with the Virgin Mary, full of grace, rejoice in your salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## *Eucharistic Prayer*

The Lord be with you;  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts:  
**we lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God:  
**it is right to give thanks and praise.**

**I**t is indeed right and good, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

We give you thanks and praise  
that the Virgin Mary heard with faith the message of the angel,  
and by the power of your Holy Spirit  
conceived and bore the Word made flesh.

From the warmth of her womb to the stillness of the grave  
he shared our life in human form.

In him new light has dawned upon the world  
and you have become one with us  
that we might become one with you in your glorious kingdom.

Therefore earth unites with heaven to sing a new song of praise;  
we too join with angels and archangels  
as they proclaim your glory without end:

**H**oly, 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.

**L**ord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
Grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**G**reat is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

**A**nd so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.  
Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
St Agnes, St Etheldreda, St Martin, St Nicholas, St Philip  
and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
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.  
**Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer*

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**Our Father, ...**

### *Breaking of the Bread*

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

**J**esus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
**J**esus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.  
**J**esus, Redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

### *Invitation to Communion*

**B**ehold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*The priest receives communion. Those participating online may make a spiritual communion using the words:*

Lord Jesus Christ, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.

## **Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

**G**od most high,  
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:  
we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption  
you visit us with your Holy Spirit  
and overshadow us by your power;  
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience  
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The Lord be with you;  
**and also with you.**

**C**hrist the Son of God, born of Mary,  
fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy ✠ Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

## **Dismissal**

**G**o in peace to love and serve the Lord;  
**in the name of Christ. Amen.**