



ALL SAINTS, PERRY STREET

The Order for Mass

Gathering Mass setting

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

STAND at the sound of the Sacristy bell, music is played as the Choir and Ministers enter. As the Altar and Cross are Censed, we sing sing (2):



**A great and mighty wonder,
a full and holy cure!
the Virgin bears the Infant
with virgin-honour pure:**

Repeat the hymn again:

*'To God on high be glory,
and peace on earth to men.'*

**The Word becomes incarnate,
and yet remains on high;
and cherubim sing anthems
to shepherds from the sky:**

Repeat the hymn again:

*'To God on high be glory,
and peace on earth to men.'*

**While thus they sing your Monarch,
those bright angelic bands,
rejoice, ye vales and mountains,
ye oceans, clap your hands:**

Repeat the hymn again:

*'To God on high be glory,
and peace on earth to men.'*

**Since all he comes to ransom,
by all be he adored,
the Infant born in Bethl'em,
the Saviour and the Lord:**

Repeat the hymn again:

*'To God on high be glory,
and peace on earth to men.'*

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says:

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Words of welcome and Introduction

STAND**Penitential Act**

Brothers and sisters,
let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves
to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God
and Prince of Peace:

Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie, eleison.

Kyrie, eleison.

You are the Son of God and Son of Mary:
Christ have mercy.

Christe, eleison.

Christe, eleison.

You are the Word made Flesh,
the splendour of the Father.
Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie, eleison.

Kyrie, eleison.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.
Amen. Amen.

The Gloria (*Gathering Mass setting*)

*Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace on earth
peace to people of good will.*

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace on earth
peace to people of good will.**

*We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.*

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace on earth
peace to people of good will.**

*Lord Jesus Christ, Lord Jesus Christ,
Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy, mercy on us;*

have mercy, mercy on us;
*you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer, receive our prayer,
receive our prayer, receive our prayer,
you are seated at the right hand
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy, mercy on us.*

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace on earth
peace to people of good will.**

*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, glory of God,
the glory of God the Father.*

**Glory, glory to God,
glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace on earth
peace to people of good will.**
Amen. Amen.

The Collect

Let us pray

All pray in silence, then the Priest recites

Almighty ever-living God, splendour of faithful souls, graciously be pleased to fill the world with your glory, and show yourself to all peoples by the radiance of your light. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



SIT First Reading Sirach 24:1-2, 8-12

A reading from the Book of Sirach (*Sirac*)

Wisdom will praise herself and will boast in the midst of her people. In the assembly of the Most High she will open her mouth, and in the presence of his forces she will boast: 'Then the Creator of all things commanded me, and the one who created me gave my tent a resting place. And he said, "Make your dwelling in Jacob and in Israel receive your inheritance." From eternity, in the beginning, he created me, and for eternity I shall not cease to exist. In the holy tabernacle I ministered before him, and so I was established in Sion. In the beloved city likewise he gave me a resting place, and in Jerusalem was my dominion. So I took root in an honoured people, in the portion of the Lord, his inheritance.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.



Responsorial Psalm**Ps 147b: 12-13. 14-15. 19-20. R12a****The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.***O Jerusalem, glori-fy the Lord!**O Sion, praise your God!**He has strengthened the bars of your gates;
he has blessed your child-ren within you. R**He established peace on your borders;
he gives you your fill of fi-nest wheat.
He sends out his word to the earth,
and swiftly runs his com-mand. R**He reveals his word to Jacob;
to Israel, his de-crees and judgements.
He has not dealt thus with o-ther nations;
he has not taught them his judgements. R***Second reading Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18**

A reading from the Letter
of St Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may

know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Acclamation before the Gospel Cf. 1 Tim 3:16*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***Glory to you, O Christ,
proclaimed a-mong the nations.**Glory to you, O Christ,
believed in through-out the world.***Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!****Gospel****John 1:1-18**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel
according to John

Glory ✕ to ✕ you, ✕ O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive

him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the Only Begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John bore witness about him, and cried out, 'This was he of whom I said, "He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me." ' For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only begotten God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SIT

The Homily

A brief silence may be kept

STAND

The Nicene Creed

**I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
(Bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary,
and became man. (rise)**

For our sake

**he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
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.**

**I 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 adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic
and apostolic Church.**

**I confess one Baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen**

STAND

The Prayer of the Faithful

The Priest introduces the Prayers

This response may be used

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our Prayer.

*The Priest concludes the Prayers with a Collect and
all respond Amen.*

All sit after the Prayers

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Orate Fratres

SIT *The Collection is taken and the Altar is prepared as we sing (237):*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious,
thy great Name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting,
Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains,
high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains
of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest,
to both great and small;
In all life Thou divest,
the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish
as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish—
but naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory,
pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee,
all veiling their sight;
All laud we would render;
O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor
of light hideth Thee.

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STAND *after the Censing of the Altar
for the Censing of the Priest and people*

Pray, brothers and sisters . . .

May the Lord accept the sacrifice
at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good
and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

Sanctify, O Lord, the offerings we make on the
Nativity of your Only Begotten Son, for by it
you show us the way of truth and promise the
life of the heavenly Kingdom. Through Christ
our Lord. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Priest says the Preface concluding with
Santus and Benedictus (Gathering Mass setting)*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth, heaven and earth
are full of your glory, Lord God of hosts.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blesséd, blesséd is he who comes,
blesséd, blesséd is he who comes,
blesséd is he, blesséd is he
who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

KNEEL

The Priest prays **The Words of Consecration**
over the Offerings.

*The Priest recites the words of the Lord by which
the bread and wine we have offered become the
Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood for us.*

*All venerate the Sacramental presence of the Lord
when the bell rings and the Sacrament is shown.*

After the words of Consecration (Gathering Mass)

The mystery of faith.

**When we eat this living Bread,
when we drink this saving Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

*The Eucharistic Prayer continues, concluding with
the Doxology and Great Amen.*

Through him, and with him, and in him
(Amen),
O God, almighty Father (Amen),
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honour is yours,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE COMMUNION RITE

STAND

At the Saviour's command and formed by
divine teaching, we dare to say:

**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.**

Deliver us, Lord . . .

**For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours
now and for ever.**

Lord Jesus Christ . . . ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*We share the peace with a gesture and greeting
saying 'Peace be with you.'*

Breaking of the Bread

(Gathering Mass [MH arrangement]):

*During the Breaking of the Host
we sing*



**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.**

KNEEL

*Showing the Body of the Lord to the
people, the Priest invites all those duly
prepared, and allowed, to come
forward for Holy Communion saying:*



Behold the Lamb of God . . .

**Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.**

*As the Priest reverently consumes the Body and Blood of Christ the Lector says the **Communion Antiphon - Cf. Jn 1: 12***

*To all who would accept him,
he gave the power to become children of God.*



The communicants then come forward in reverent procession and make an act of reverence in honour of Christ's presence in the Sacrament. They receive Holy Communion standing. If you are a Communicant member of the Church of England or in your own Church you may receive the Sacrament, if not, please hold this "Order for Mass" and you will receive a Blessing.

You should only receive Communion if you were in Church before the Gospel was read

You may Receive in One Kind (The Body of Christ) or in Both Kinds (The Body and Blood of Christ). Communion by Intinction (dipping the Host into the Chalice) is not permitted.

While we receive Communion the Choir sings the Communion Meditation (351)



After the distribution of Communion we all sing (414)

**O little town of Bethlehem
how still we see thee lie
above thy deep and dreamless sleep
the silent stars go by
yet in thy dark streets shineth
the everlasting Light
the hopes and fears of all the years
are met in thee tonight.**

**O morning stars together
proclaim the holy birth
and praises sing to God the King
and Peace to men on earth
for Christ is born of Mary
and gathered all above
while mortals sleep, the angels keep
their watch of wondering love.**

**How silently, how silently
the wondrous gift is given!
so God imparts to human hearts
the blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
but in this world of sin,
where meek souls will receive him, still __
the dear Christ enters in.**

**O holy Child of Bethlehem
descend to us, we pray
cast out our sin and enter in
be born to us today
we hear the Christmas angels
the great glad tidings tell
O come to us, abide with us
Our Lord Emmanuel.**

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STAND

Prayer after Communion

Lord our God, we humbly ask you, that, through the working of this mystery, our offences may be cleansed and our just desires fulfilled. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices may be given



THE ANGELUS

The Angel of the Lord
brought tidings to Mary,
and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with Thee;
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners, now
and at the hour of our death.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary . . .

And the Word was made Flesh.
and dwelt among us.

Hail Mary . . .

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

The Minister says a Prayer and we respond:
Amen.

CONCLUDING RITES

STAND

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray for God's blessing

May almighty God, bless you,
the Father, and the Son, ✠
and the Holy Spirit, **Amen.**

Go in peace . . .
Thanks be to God.

STAND *We sing (197):*

**Good Christian men, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ was born today.
Ox and ass before him bow,
and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!**

**Good Christian men, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!
He has opened heaven's door,
and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!**

**Good Christian men, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
to gain his everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!**

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*The Ministers and Choir depart
to an Organ Voluntary.*



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