



## 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 (439):



**O worship the Lord  
in the beauty of holiness!  
Bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience  
and incense of lowliness  
kneel and adore Him, the Lord is His name.**

**Low at His feet  
lay thy burden of carefulness,  
high in His heart He will bear it for thee,  
comfort thy sorrows,  
and answer thy prayerfulness,  
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.**

**Fear not to enter  
His courts in the slenderness  
of the poor wealth  
thou wouldest reckon as thine:  
truth in its beauty  
and love in its tenderness:  
these are the offerings to lay on His shrine.**

**These, though we bring them  
in trembling and fearfulness,  
He will accept for the name that is dear;  
mornings of joy  
give for evenings of tearfulness,  
trust for our trembling,  
and hope for our fear.**

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*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.**

### The Blessing of the Epiphany Crib

*The Ministers stand before the Crib.*

From the East came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial.

*The Magi figures are brought forward to be placed in the Crib with prayers.*

*At the presentation of the figure (gold)*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe to you be praise and glory for ever. As gold in the furnace is tried and purified seven times in the fire, so purify our hearts and minds that we may be a royal priesthood acceptable in the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*At the presentation of the figure (Frankincense)*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe to you be praise and glory for ever. As our prayer rises up before you as incense, so may we be presented before you with penitent hearts and uplifted hands to offer ourselves in your priestly service.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*At the presentation of the figure (myrrh)*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe to you be praise and glory for ever. As you give medicine to heal our sickness And the leaves of the trees of life for the healing of the nations, so anoint us with your healing power

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that we may be the first-fruits of your new creation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

May he rule from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth. All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him. May his Name be blessed forever; In him shall all the tribes of the earth be blessed; all the nations shall proclaim his happiness. And blessed forever be his glorious Name; may the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Bless, O Lord, this crib, and make it a reminder to us of your grace to those who are far off and your reign over the whole world. In the name of the Father ☩, and of the Son of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**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. **(Response)***

*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. **(Response)***

*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*

O God, who on this day revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations by the guidance of a star, grant in your mercy, that we, who know you already by faith, may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. 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

**Isaiah 60:1-6**

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Lift up your eyes all round, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 72(71):1-2,7-8,10-13**

**All the nations on earth  
shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.**

*O God, give your judgement to the king,  
to a king's son your justice,  
that he may judge your peo-ple in justice,  
and your poor in right judgement. R*

*In his days jus-tice shall flourish,  
and great peace till the moon is no more.  
He shall rule from sea to sea,  
from the River to the bounds of the earth R*

*The kings of Tarshish and the islands /  
shall pay him tribute.*

*The kings of Sheba and Seba*

*shall bring him gifts.*

*Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,  
all na-tions shall serve him. R*

*For he shall rescue the needy when they cry,  
the poor who have no one to help.*

*He will have pity on the weak and the needy,  
and save the lives of the needy. R*

### Second reading

**Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6**

A reading from the Letter  
of St Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters: I assume that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy Apostles and prophets by the Spirit. This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## Acclamation before the Gospel

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**  
We saw his star when it rose  
and have come to wor-ship the Lord.  
**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Mt 2:2

## Gospel



Matthew 2:1-12

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Matthew

**Glory ✕ to ✕ you, ✕ O Lord.**

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, saying, 'Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.' When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel." ' Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him.' After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshipped him. Then, opening their

treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*After the Gospel, following a long-established custom of the Church, the Deacon or Priest may proclaim the movable Feasts of the current year.*

**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.**

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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

**SIT** *The Collection is taken and the Altar is prepared as we sing (42):*

As with gladness men of old  
did the guiding star behold;  
as with joy they hailed its light,  
leading onward, beaming bright,  
so, most gracious God, may we  
evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,  
to that lowly manger-bed,  
there to bend the knee before  
Him whom heaven and earth adore,  
so may we with willing feet  
ever seek thy mercy-seat.

As their precious gifts they laid,  
at thy manger roughly made,  
so may we with holy joy,  
pure, and free from sin's alloy,  
all our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to thee, our heav'nly king.

Holy Jesu, ev'ry day  
keep us in the narrow way;  
and, when earthly things are past,  
bring our ransomed souls at last  
where they need no star to guide,  
where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heav'ly country bright  
need they no created light;  
thou its light, its joy, its crown,  
thou its sun, which goes now down.  
There for ever may we sing  
alleluias to our King.

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



## Orate Fratres

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.

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## Prayer over the Offerings

Look with favour, Lord, we pray, on these gifts of your Church, in which are offered now not gold or frankincense or myrrh, but he who by them is proclaimed, sacrificed and received, Jesus Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **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.**

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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. Mt 2: 2** *We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.*



*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 (619)*

*After the distribution of Communion we all sing (64)*

**Bethlehem, of noblest cities  
none can once with thee compare:  
thou alone the Lord from heaven  
didst for us Incarnate bear.**

**Fairer than the sun at morning  
was the star that told his birth  
to the lands their God announcing,  
hid beneath a form on earth.**

**Guided by its shining glory,  
did the Eastern Kings appear  
see them bend, their gifts to offer-  
for a greater king is here.**

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**Solemn things of mystic meaning!  
Incense shows God's presence here,  
gold proclaims his sovereign kingship,  
myrrh foreshadows death and tears.**

**Holy Jesus, in your brightness  
to the Gentile world display'd,  
with the Father and the Spirit  
endless praise to you be paid.**

*Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-413)*

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**STAND**

**Prayer after Communion**

Go before us with heavenly light, O Lord,  
always and everywhere, that we may perceive  
with clear sight and revere with true affection  
the mystery in which you have willed us to  
participate. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Notices may be given*

*The Angelus may be said*

## CONCLUDING RITES

**STAND**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray for God's blessing

May God, who has called you out of darkness  
into his wonderful light, pour out in kindness  
his blessing upon you and make your hearts  
firm in faith, hope and charity. **Amen.**

And since in all confidence you follow Christ,  
who today appeared in the world as a light  
shining in darkness, may God make you, too, a  
light for your brothers and sisters. **Amen.**

And so when your pilgrimage is ended, may  
you come to him whom the Magi sought as they  
followed the star and whom they found with  
great joy, the Light from Light, who is Christ the  
Lord. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the  
Father, and the Son,  and the Holy Spirit,  
come down on you and remain with you for  
ever. **Amen.**

Go in peace . . .

**Thanks be to God.**

**STAND We sing**

**Brightest and best  
are the sons of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness,  
and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.**

**Cold on His cradle**

**the dew-drops are shining;  
Low lies His head  
with the beasts of the stall;  
Angels adore Him, in slumber reclining,  
Maker and monarch, and Saviour of all.**

**Say, shall we yield Him, in costly devotion,  
Odours of Edom, and offerings divine;  
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of ocean,  
Myrrh from forest, or gold from the mine?**

**Vainly we offer each ample oblation;  
Vainly with gifts would His favour secure;  
Richer by far is the heart's adoration;  
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.**

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

