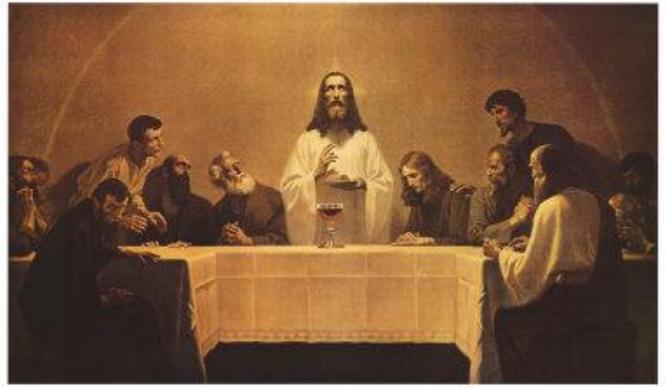


Holy Communion for the sick



GREETING

M. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

The extraordinary minister greets the sick person and any others in the following words:

M. The Lord be with you

R. And with your spirit.

The extraordinary minister then places the Blessed Sacrament on the table prepared for it.

PENITENTIAL RITE

The extraordinary minister invites the sick person and all who are present to join in the penitential rite, using these words:

Let us acknowledge our sins,
and so prepare ourselves for this celebration of the reception of Holy
Communion.

A brief pause for silence follows. Then all recite together the formula of general confession:

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have **greatly sinned,**
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:

**through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;**

Then they continue:

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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

R. Amen.

M. Lord have mercy.

R. Lord have mercy.

M. Christ have mercy.

R. Christ have mercy.

M. Lord have mercy.

R. Lord have mercy.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The word of God is proclaimed by the extraordinary minister or by one of those present.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St John (Jn 6: 51)

Jesus says: “I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh for the life of the world”.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

OR

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St John (Jn 6: 53-58)

I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

He extends his hands and, together with the people, continues:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come...

COMMUNION

The extraordinary minister genuflects, takes the host and, holding it slightly raised says:

Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to **the** supper **of the Lamb.**

And together with the sick person and all gathered add:

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

The extraordinary minister raises the Blessed Sacrament saying:

The body of Christ.

R. Amen.

A period of silence may be observed.

Prayer after COMMUNION

The extraordinary minister says the following concluding prayer.

Let us pray.
Nourished by your saving gifts,
we beseech your mercy, Lord,
that by this same Sacrament with which you feed us in the present age,
you may make us partakers of life eternal.
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The extraordinary minister invokes God's Blessing and makes the sign of the cross over themselves saying:

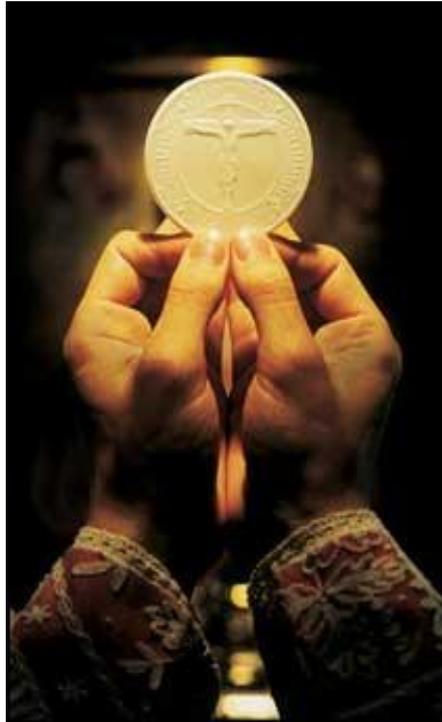
May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

O Sacrament most Holy.
O Sacrament Divine.
All praise and all
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be every moment thine.

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Lord I believe in you:
Increase my faith.
I trust in you: strengthen my
trust.
I love you: let me love you
more and more.
I am sorry for my sins:
deepen my sorrow.

I worship you as my first
beginning, I long for you as
my last end, I praise you as
my constant helper, and call
on you as my loving
protector.

sacrum convivium

O sacred banquet,
in which Christ
is received,
the memory of His Passion
is renewed,
the mind
is filled with grace,
and a pledge
of future glory
given to us.