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## **Introductory Rites**

### **Greeting**

Celebrant: In the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**All: And with your spirit.**

### **Sprinkling with Holy Water**

Celebrant: In the waters of baptism NAME died with Christ and rose with him to new life. May she now share with him eternal glory. Amen.

### **Placing of the Pall**

Celebrant: At her baptism, NAME received the new garment and was asked to wear it spotlessly throughout her life. May the Lord not look on any wrong that she may have done during her life, but rather look upon her faithfulness to her God and her love for her family and friends. Amen.

### **Lighting of the Paschal Candle**

Celebrant: In baptism NAME received the light of Christ. That light has guided her throughout her life. May she now enjoy the risen life with her risen Lord. Amen.

# Eulogy

## Opening Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray:

O God, almighty Father, our faith professes that your Son died and rose again; mercifully grant, that through this mystery your servant, NAME, who has fallen asleep in Christ, may rejoice to rise again through him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

## Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

Wisdom 3: 1-6

#### **A Reading from the Book of Wisdom.**

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them. In the eyes of the unwise, they did appear to die, their going looked like a disaster, their leaving us, like annihilation; but they are in peace. If they experienced punishment as men see it, their hope was rich with immortality; slight was their affliction, great their blessings will be. God has put them to the test and proved them worthy to be with Him; He has tested them like gold in a furnace, and accepted them as a holocaust. They who trust in him will understand the truth, those who are faithful will live with him in love; for grace and mercy await those he has chosen.

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm

## Psalm 22

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd:  
there is nothing I shall want.**

Reader: The Lord is my shepherd; There is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures; where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me; to revive my drooping spirit.

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd:  
there is nothing I shall want.**

Reader: He guides me along the right path; He is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness; no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff: with these you give me comfort.

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd:  
there is nothing I shall want.**

Reader: You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd:  
there is nothing I shall want.**

Reader: Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own House shall I dwell for ever and ever.

**Response: The Lord is my shepherd:  
there is nothing I shall want.**

## Gospel Acclamation

## John 11: 25-26

**All: Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the resurrection and the life, said the Lord:  
he who believes in me will not die forever.  
Alleluia.**

## Gospel

### John 14: 1-6

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father’s house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am, you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.”

Thomas said, “Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

Jesus said: “I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## Homily

### Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: For our sister NAME, let us pray to our Lord Jesus Christ, who said: “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me shall live even in death and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.”

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: You wept at the grave of Lazarus your friend;  
comfort us in our sorrow. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: You raised the dead to life; give to our sister eternal  
life. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: You promised paradise to the repentant thief: bring  
NAME to the joys of heaven. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: Our sister was washed in Baptism and anointed with  
the Holy Spirit: give her fellowship with all your  
saints forever. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: She was nourished with your Body and your blood at  
the table of the Lord: welcome her into the halls of  
the heavenly Kingdom. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: Comfort us in our sorrow at the death of NAME.  
Let our faith be our consolation and eternal life our  
hope. We pray to the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: God, our shelter and our strength, you listen to the  
cry of your people; hear the prayers we offer for our  
departed brothers and sisters. Cleanse them of their  
sins and grant them the fullness of redemption.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

# Liturgy of the Eucharist

## Preparation of the Gifts

Celebrant: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

**All: Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**All: 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 Gifts

Celebrant: As we humbly present to you these offerings, O Lord, for the salvation of your servant NAME, we beseech your mercy, that she who did not doubt your Son to be a loving Saviour, may find in him a merciful Judge. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

## Preface

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right and just.**

Celebrant: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord.

In him the hope of blessed resurrection has dawned, that those saddened by the certainty of dying might be consoled by the promise of immortality to come. Indeed for your faithful, Lord, life is changed not ended, and, when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven.

And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim:

**All: 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.**

## Eucharistic Prayer II

Celebrant: You are indeed holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness. Make holy therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall, so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT: FOR THIS IS MY BODY WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took the chalice and, once more giving thanks, he gave it to his disciples, saying: TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT: FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

Celebrant: The mystery of faith:

**All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.**



Celebrant: Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you. Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with Leo our Pope and Peter our Bishop and all the clergy.

Remember your servant NAME, whom you have called today from this world to yourself. Grant that she who was united with your Son in a death like his, may also be one with him in his Resurrection.

Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with Blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be co-heirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

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

**All: Amen.**

## Communion Rite

### Lord's Prayer

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

**All: 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.**

Celebrant: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

### Sign of Peace

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: 'Peace I leave you, my peace I give you', look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All: And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

## **Communion**

**All:**            **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.**

**Celebrant:**    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.

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

## **Prayer After Communion**

**Celebrant:**    Let us pray:  
Lord God, whose son left us, in the Sacrament of his Body, food for the journey, mercifully grant that, strengthened by it, our sister NAME may come to the eternal table of Christ.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**All:**            **Amen.**

## **Final Commendation**

**Celebrant:**    Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister. May our farewell express our affection for her, may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet her, when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

## Song of Farewell

Celebrant: Saints of God come to her aid,  
hasten to meet her angels of the Lord.

**All: Receive her soul and present her  
to God the Most High.**

Celebrant: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself.  
May angels lead you to Abraham's side.

**All: Receive her soul and present her  
to God the Most High.**

Celebrant: Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon her.

**All: Receive her soul and present her  
to God the Most High.**

## Prayer of Commendation

Celebrant: Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend  
our sister NAME, in the sure and certain hope that,  
together with all who have died in Christ, she will  
rise with Him on the last day. Merciful Lord, turn to  
us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of  
paradise to your servant and help us who remain to  
comfort one another with the assurances of faith,  
until we all meet in Christ and are with You and with  
our sister for ever.

**All: Amen.**

Celebrant: May angels lead you into paradise, may the Martyrs  
come to welcome you and take you into the holy city,  
the new and eternal Jerusalem.

**All: Amen.**