

# **FUNERAL MASS**

**for**

**N. N.**

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## **Entrance Procession**

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*The priest and the assisting ministers preceded the coffin and the mourners into the church.*

## **Placing of Christian Symbols**

*A bible and a cross, symbols of N.'s Christian life, are placed on the coffin by N. & N.*

## **Eulogy**

*N. N. will deliver the eulogy.*

## **Opening Hymn**

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Sign of the Cross

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

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

All: **Amen.**

### Greeting

Priest: 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.**

### Penitential Act

*The Priest invites the faithful to the Penitential Act.*

Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

All: **For we have sinned against you.**

Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

All: **And grant us your salvation.**

*The absolution by the Priest follows:*

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

Priest: Kyrie, eleison.            All: **Kyrie, eleison.**

Priest: Christe, eleison.        All: **Christe, eleison.**

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### The Collect

Priest: Let us pray.

*And all pray in silence with the Priest for a while. Then the Priest says the Collect prayer, at the end of which the people acclaim:*

All: **Amen.**

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### **First Reading** (read by N. N.)

A Reading from ...

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The word of the Lord

All:   **Thanks be to God.**

*After the First Reading the cantor sings the Psalm, with the people making the response.*

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Cantor:       ***Response.***

Verse text.

Cantor:       ***Response.***

Verse text.

Cantor:       ***Response.***

Verse text.

Etc. ...

## **Second Reading (read by N. N.)**

A Reading from the ...

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The word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

*The assembly stands to sing the Gospel Acclamation to welcome the Gospel. They remain standing in honour of the Gospel reading, the high point of the Liturgy of the Word.*

## **The Gospel**

Cantor: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord,  
whoever believes in me will never die. Alleluia!

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.

All: **Glory to You O Lord**

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The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ**

## **The Prayer of the Faithful (read by N. N.)**

*After each intention there is a pause while the faithful pray.*

Reader: Lord, in your mercy.

All: **Hear our prayer.**

*The Priest concludes the Prayer with a collect. When the Liturgy of the Word has been completed, the people sit.*

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## Offertory

*The Priest offers the prayers of blessing quietly at the altar. If the priest says the prayers aloud the assembly's acclamation each time is:*

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

*The Priest completes additional personal preparatory rites, and the people rise as he says:*

Priest: Pray, brethren (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.**

*Then the Priest says the Prayer over the Offerings, at the end of which the people acclaim:*

All: **Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you.

All: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

*The Priest concludes the Preface with the people, singing*

**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.**

*The Priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer. After the words of Consecration, the priest says:*

Priest: The mystery of faith.

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

*At the conclusion of the prayer the Priest takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, raising both, he says*

Priest: 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**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*All stand*

Priest: 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.**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray... and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ... Who live and reign for ever and ever.

All: **Amen.**

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

All: **And with your spirit.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

All: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

*All kneel. After his private prayers of preparation, the Priest genuflects, takes the host and, holding it slightly raised above the paten or above the chalice says aloud:*

Priest: 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.**

## **Communion**

*Catholics who are free to do so come forward in reverent procession, and make a preparatory act of reverence by bowing their head in honour of Christ's presence in the Sacrament.*

Priest: The Body of Christ.

All: **Amen.**

*After the distribution of Communion, if appropriate, a sacred silence may be observed for a while, or a psalm or other canticle of praise or a hymn may be sung.*

## **Prayer after Communion**

*All stand*

Priest: Let us pray.

*All pray in silence. Then the Priest says the Prayer after Communion, at the end of which the people acclaim:*

All: **Amen.**

## **FINAL COMMENDATION**

*All stand*

*The priest invites the mourners to pray for N. during a moment of silence. He then sprinkles the coffin with holy water and incenses it, after which the song of farewell is sung.*

## **Prayer after Commendation**

*The priest commends the soul of N. into the hands of God, the Father of Mercies. at the end of which the people acclaim:*



All: **Amen.**

### **Procession to the Place of Committal**

Priest: In peace let us take N. to her place of rest.

*The procession then begins: the priest and assisting ministers precede the coffin; the family and mourners follow. During this time the closing hymn is sung.*

### **Closing Hymn**

*The family wishes to thank you for being with them today and warmly invites you to a reception at the **N.** from 0:00pm*