



Order of Service for Dry Mass

The Invocation

Candles, on either side of the cross on the altar, are lit as the celebrant says:

Celebrant: Let us build God's temple in prayer and in praise.

Congregation: (+) In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

-or-

Congregation: (+) In the name of Christ. Amen.

The Preparation

We prepare ourselves, by asking God to forgive us.

Congregation: Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, and from You no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and praise and magnify your Holy Name, through Christ our LORD. Amen.

Assistant: Jesus said: I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.

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Leader: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive all our sins and clean us from all unrighteousness; therefore let us confess our sins before Almighty God.

Congregation: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against You,
And against our fellow men,
In thought and word and deed.
In the evil we have done,
And in the good we have not done,
Through ignorance, through weakness,
Through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ,
Who died for us, forgive us all that is past;
And grant that we may serve You in life renewed,
To the Glory of Your Name. Amen

The Kyries

Leader: LORD, Have mercy on us.

Congregation: Christ, have mercy on us.

Leader: LORD, Have mercy on us.

The LCC Confiteor

Congregation: O LORD, You created us to be immortal and made us to be an image of Your own eternity; yet often we forget the glory of our heritage and wander from the path which leads to righteousness. But You, O LORD, made us for Yourself and our hearts are ever restless till they find their rest in You. Look with the eyes of Your love upon our manifold imperfections and pardon all our shortcomings, that we may be filled with the brightness of the everlasting light and become the

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unspotted mirror of Your power and the image of Your goodness; through Christ our LORD. Amen.

The Absolution

(Those present cross themselves.)

Leader: May the LORD in His loving-kindness look upon us and be gracious to us; the LORD absolve us from all our sins and grant us the grace and comfort of His Holy Spirit. For Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners: Hear then Jesus' words of Grace: "Your sins are forgiven."

Congregation: Amen. Thanks be to God.

An assistant announces the Hebrew Bible lesson, Psalm, and Epistle.

The Hebrew Bible readings and Epistle are recited.

Glory to God

The Glory to God is said (or sung). Omitted in Advent and Lent.

Congregation: Glory to God in the Highest,
And Peace to His people on earth
LORD God, heavenly king,
Almighty God and Father,
We worship You,
We give You thanks,
We praise You for Your glory.
LORD Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
LORD God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world:
Have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
Receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the LORD,

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You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Gospel

The celebrant announces the Gospel reading.

Congregation: Glory to Christ our Savior.

The Gospel is read.

Leader: This is the Good News, the Gospel of Christ.

Congregation: Praise to Christ our LORD.

A sermon is preached, or Homily given.

Prayer

(Prayers of intercession may be said here. At the end of each prayer office is the reminder to pray for family, work, neighborhood, and the OCAC. These are suggestions.)

For Family

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the members of our families; take away the arrogance and suspicion which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our LORD. R./ Amen.

For Work

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ in his earthly life shared our toil and hallowed all labor: Be present with everyone where they work; make those

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who carry on the industries and commerce of this world be responsive to your will; and give to all a pride in what they do, and a just return for their labor; through Jesus Christ our LORD, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. R./ Amen.

For Neighborhood

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbors: Grant them the grace of your Holy Spirit, that they may be devoted to you with their whole heart, and united with us in pure affection; through Jesus Christ our LORD, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. R./ Amen.

For Church

Almighty God, you have built your [Old Catholic Apostolic] Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our LORD, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. R./ Amen.

The LORD'S Prayer

Congregation: Our Father, who is in Heaven
Hallowed be Your Name, Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
And forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us,
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil,
For the kingdom the power and glory are Yours,
Now and for ever. Amen.

The Peace

Leader: The peace of the LORD be always with you.

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Congregation: And also with you.

The peace should be exchanged with every person present.

The LCC Act of Faith

Leader: Let us stand and affirm our faith.

Congregation: We believe that God is love and power and truth and light; that perfect justice rules the world; that all His children shall one day reach his feet, however far they stray. We hold the fatherhood of God, the family of humankind; we know that we do serve Him best when we serve one another. So shall His blessing rest on us and peace for evermore. Amen.

The Sursum Corda

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them to the LORD.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

Congregation: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Leader: It is very right and our bounden duty, that we, at all times and in all places give thanks to You O LORD, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of Heaven, we worship Your holy name, evermore praising You as we say:

The Sanctus

Congregation: Holy, Holy, Holy LORD, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory,
Glory be to you O LORD Most high.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.

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Hosanna in the Highest.

The Nunc Dimittis

Leader: LORD, now let your servant go in peace, your word has been fulfilled.

Congregation: For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of every people.

Leader: A light to reveal you to the nations,

Congregation: And the glory of all your people.

The altar candles are extinguished.

The Gloria

Congregation: Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and evermore shall be. World without end. Amen.

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