

HOLY COMMUNION

According to the Book of Common Prayer



This act of worship is substantially according to the Book of Common Prayer (1662) only differing with the shortened form of the commandments, the Benedictus, together with the Agnus Dei and the Invitation to Holy Communion (as proposed in the 1928 Prayer Book).

The Table at the Communion time having a fair white linen cloth upon it, and the Priest standing at the Table says
the Lord's Prayer

Then shall all say:

**ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Then shall the Priest, turning to the people, rehearses distinctly the Lord's Summary of the Law as follows, the people responding.

OUR Lord Jesus Christ said:
Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord;
and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,
and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind,
and with all thy strength.

This is the first commandment.

And the second is like, namely this:
Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
There is none other commandment greater than these.

On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All **Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws
in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

The Prayer for the Queen's Majesty - Amen

The Collect - Amen

The Epistle

The Gospel: At the start - Glory be to thee, O Lord. At the end: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Creed *follows, the people standing.*

**I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible:
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By whom all things were made:**

**who for us men and for our salvation
came down from heaven.
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost
of the Virgin Mary, and was made man,
and was crucified also for us
under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was
buried, and the third day he rose again
according to the scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again -** *Please see over*

to judge both the quick and the dead:
whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost,
The Lord and giver of life,
who proceedeth from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father
and the Son together is worshipped
and glorified, who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe one Catholick and Apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.
And I look for the Resurrection of the dead,
And the life of the world to come. Amen

The table is prepared

The Prayer for the Church Militant

The Confession

ALMIGHTY God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Maker of all things, Judge of all men:
We acknowledge and bewail
our manifold sins and wickedness,
Which we from time to time
most grievously have committed,
By thought, word, and deed,
Against thy Divine Majesty,
Provoking most justly thy wrath
and indignation against us.
We do earnestly repent,

and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us
the burden is intolerable.
have mercy upon us
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
for thy Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may ever hereafter
serve and please thee in newness of life
to the honour and glory of thy Name
Through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.

The Absolution and Comfortable Words.

Sursum Corda

Priest: The Lord be with you *Answer:* **And with thy sprit.**

Priest.: Lift up your hearts. *Answer.* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. *Answer.* **It is meet and right so to do.**

Preface **HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts,**
heaven and earth are full of thy glory:
Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Then shall all say the following prayer:

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table,
O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs
under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord,
whose property is always to have mercy:
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies
may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The following is said:

**O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world grant us thy peace.**

Then the priest shall invite the congregation to receive Spiritual Holy Communion

After Communion:

As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and taught us, so we are bold to say:

**OUR Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen.**

One of the Prayers of Thanksgiving is said, then:

The Gloria

All **GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace,
goodwill towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The Blessing is pronounced to which all respond: Amen.

