

**THE HOLY MASS**  
**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF**  
**GOD**

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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King, who rules heaven and earth forever.*

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

**Amen.**

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

**R. And with your spirit.**

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**PENITENCIAL RITE**

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*The priest invites the people to recall their sins and to repent of them.*

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, that we may prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

*After the silence, all pray*

**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, *They strike their breast:* 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.**

*The priest says the absolution*

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

*The people answer:*

**-Amen.**

*The priest invites all to repent of their sins.*

*A pause for silent reflection follows:*

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have  
mercy.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

### **GLORIA**

**Glory to God in the highest, and on earth  
peace to people of good will. We praise  
you, we bless you, we adore you, we  
glorify you, we give you thanks for your  
great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God,  
almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only  
Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father, you take away the sins  
of the world, have mercy on us; you take  
away the sins of the world, receive our  
prayer; you are seated at the right hand  
of the Father, have mercy on us. For you  
alone are the Holy One, you alone are the  
Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus  
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory  
of God the Father. Amen.**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

**O God, who through the fruitful virginity  
of Blessed Mary bestowed on the human  
race the grace of eternal salvation, grant,  
we pray, that we may experience the  
intercession of her, through whom we  
were found worthy to receive the author  
of life, our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you... Amen.**

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## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

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**First reading:** Numbers 6:22–27

The Lord said to Moses: “Speak to Aaron  
and his sons and tell them: This is how you  
shall bless the Israelites. Say to them: The  
Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let  
his face shine upon you, and be gracious to  
you! The Lord look upon you kindly and  
give you peace! So shall they invoke my  
name upon the Israelites, and I will bless  
them. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to  
God.**

**R/. Responsorial Psalm**  
**R. May God bless us in his mercy.**

May God have pity on us and bless us;  
may he let his face shine upon us.  
So may your way be known upon earth;  
among all nations, your salvation. **R.**

May the nations be glad and exult  
because you rule the peoples in equity;  
the nations on the earth you guide. **R.**

May the peoples praise you, O God;  
may all the peoples praise you!  
May God bless us,  
and may all the ends of the earth fear him!  
**R.**

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**Second reading:** A reading from the letter  
of St. Paul to the Galatians 4:4–7

Brothers and sisters: When the fullness of  
time had come, God sent his Son, born of a  
woman, born under the law, to ransom those  
under the law, so that we might receive  
adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons,  
God sent the Spirit of his Son into our  
hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!” So you  
are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son  
then also an heir, through God.  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**  
Alleluia. **In the past God spoke to our  
fathers through the prophets; now he  
speaks to us through his Son.**  
Alleluia

**GOSPEL**

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The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit..**  
A reading from the holy Gospel according  
to Luke 2:16–21  
**R. Glory to you, Lord.**

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem  
and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant

lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them. When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **HOMILY THE APOSTLE'S CREED OR PROFESSION OF FAITH.**

**I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, [at the words that follow, up to and including the Virgin Mary, all bow] Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell; the third day, He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.**

### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

#### **Priest's Introduction**

On this day when the goodness and kindness of God our Savior have appeared, let us, dear brothers and sisters, humbly pour forth to him our prayers, trusting not in

our own good works, but in his mercy.

### **Intentions**

1. For the Church of God, that in integrity of faith she may await and may welcome with joy him whom the immaculate Virgin conceived by a word and wondrously brought to birth, let us pray to the Lord.
2. For the progress and peace of the whole world, that what is given in time may become a reward in eternity, let us pray to the Lord.
3. For those oppressed by hunger, sickness or loneliness, that through the mystery of the Nativity of Christ they may find relief in both mind and body, let us pray to the Lord.
4. For our brothers and sisters who suffer for whatever motive: the sick, unemployed, the poor, the persecuted, the calumniated, those who suffer from injustices, the lonely, the refugees: that their sorrow may be turned to gladness which no one can take from them, let us pray to the Lord.
5. For the families of our congregation, and of the English-speaking Catholics group, the Filipino Association in Seville, and the CCFG and CFC of Condequinto and their particular intentions, , that, receiving Christ, they may learn also to welcome him in the poor, let us pray to the Lord.

### **Priest's Prayer**

We pray, O Lord our God, that Mary, who merited to bear God and man in her chaste womb, may commend the prayers of your faithful in your sight. Through Christ our Lord.

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## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

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### **PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS**

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.

**-Blessed be God forever.**

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

- **Blessed be God forever.**

**(ALL STAND)**

Pray, brethren [brothers and sisters], that my  
sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to  
God, the almighty Father.

*The people answer:*

**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 Church.**

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

**O God, who in your kindness begin all  
good things and bring them to fulfillment,  
grant to us who find joy in the Solemnity  
of the holy Mother of God, that, just as  
we glory in the beginnings of your grace,  
so one day we may rejoice in its  
completion. Through Christ our Lord.**

### **PREFACE**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and just.**

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, and to praise, bless, and glorify  
your name on the Solemnity of the  
Motherhood of the Blessed ever-Virgin  
Mary.

For by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit  
she conceived your Only Begotten Son, and  
without losing the glory of virginity,  
brought forth into the world the eternal  
Light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him  
the Angels praise your majesty, Dominions  
adore and Powers tremble before you.  
Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the  
blessed Seraphim worship together with

exultation. May our voices, we pray, join with theirs in humble praise as we acclaim:

*The priest reads the preface of the day; when he finishes, everybody say:*

**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.**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER I or Roman Canon**

To you, therefore, most merciful Father, we make humble prayer and petition through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord: that you accept and bless † these gifts, these offerings, these holy and unblemished sacrifices, which we offer you firstly for your holy catholic Church. Be pleased to grant her peace, to guard, unite and govern her throughout the whole world, together with your servant N. our Pope and [N.] our Bishop, and all those who, holding to the truth, hand on the catholic and apostolic faith.

Remember, Lord, your servants N. and N.

*The Priest joins his hands and prays briefly for those for whom he intends to pray. Then, with hands extended, he continues:*

And all gathered here, whose faith and devotion are known to you. For them and all who are dear to them we offer you this sacrifice of praise or they offer it for themselves and all who are dear to them, for the redemption of their souls, in hope of health and well-being, and fulfilling their vows to you, the eternal God, living and true.

Celebrating the most sacred night [day] when blessed Mary the immaculate Virgin brought forth the Savior for this world, and in communion with those whose memory we venerate, especially the glorious ever-

Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord,  
Jesus Christ, †

and blessed Joseph, Spouse of the same  
Virgin, your blessed Apostles and Martyrs,  
Peter and Paul, Andrew, [James, John,  
Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew,  
Matthew, Simon and Jude: Linus, Cletus,  
Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian,  
Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul,  
Cosmas and Damian] and all your Saints:  
through their merits and prayers, grant that  
in all things we may be defended by your  
protecting help.

[Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

Therefore, Lord, we pray: graciously accept  
this oblation of our service, that of your  
whole family; order our days in your peace,  
and command that we be delivered from  
eternal damnation and counted among the  
flock of those you have chosen.

[Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless,  
acknowledge, and approve this offering in  
every respect; make it spiritual and  
acceptable, so that it may become for us the  
Body and Blood of your most beloved Son,  
our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the day before he was to suffer he took  
bread in his holy and venerable hands, and  
with eyes raised to heaven to you, O God,  
his almighty Father, giving you thanks he  
said the blessing, broke the bread and gave  
it to his disciples, saying:

*He joins his hands.*

*In the formulas that follow, the words of the  
Lord should be pronounced clearly and  
distinctly, as the nature of these words  
requires.*



TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

*He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it again on the paten, and genuflects in adoration. After this, the Priest continues:*

In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took this precious chalice in his holy and venerable hands, and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing and gave the chalice 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.

*The Priest shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration. Then the Priest says:*

The mystery of faith.

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

*Then the Priest, with hands extended, says:*

Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the blessed Passion, the Resurrection from the dead, and the glorious Ascension into heaven of Christ, your Son, our Lord, we, your servants and your holy people, offer to your glorious majesty from the gifts that you have given us, this pure victim, this holy victim, this spotless victim, the holy Bread of eternal life and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

Be pleased to look upon them with serene and kindly countenance, and to accept them, as once you were pleased to accept the gifts of your servant Abel the just, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the offering of your high priest Melchizedek, a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

*Bowing, with hands joined, he continues*

In humble prayer we ask you, almighty God: command that these gifts be borne by the hands of your holy Angel to your altar on high in the sight of your divine majesty, so that all of us who through this participation at the altar receive the most holy Body and Blood of your Son

*He stands upright again and signs himself with the Sign of the Cross, saying:*

may be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing.

[Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

**Commemoration of the Dead With hands extended, the Priest says:**

Remember also, Lord, your servants N. and N., who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace.

*He joins his hands and prays briefly for those who have died and for whom he intends to pray. Then, with hands extended, he continues:*

Grant them, O Lord, we pray, and all who sleep in Christ, a place of refreshment, light and peace.

[Through Christ our Lord. Amen.]

*He strikes his breast with his right hand, saying:*

To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners, hope in your abundant mercies, graciously grant some share and fellowship with your holy Apostles and Martyrs: with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, [Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia] and all your Saints: admit us, we beseech you, into their company, not weighing our merits, but granting us your pardon, through Christ our Lord.

Through whom you continue to create all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us.

*He takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, elevating both, he says:*

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

Amen.

*The people answer:* Amen.

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## COMMUNION RITE

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At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:  
***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. Amen.***

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 Savior, Jesus Christ.

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

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I leave you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance to your will, who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

Let us offer each other the sign of peace  
**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.**

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

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

**Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today,  
and forever.**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

**We have received· this heavenly  
Sacrament with joy, O Lord: grant, we  
pray, that it may lead us to ever-living  
life, for we rejoice to proclaim the blessed  
ever-Virgin Mary Mother of your Son  
and Mother of the Church. Through  
Christ our Lord.. Amen.**

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE  
ARCHANGEL**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. **Amen.**

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**CONCLUDING RITE**

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The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**  
May almighty God bless you, the Father,  
and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.  
Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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**JOY TO THE WORLD**

**Joy to the World , the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And Heaven and nature sing,  
And Heaven and nature sing,  
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature  
sing.**

**Joy to the World, the Savior reigns!  
Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and  
plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU AND  
YOUR FAMILY!**

**Thank you for your presence!**