



COMMUNION SERVICE RITE

Communion Ministers to the Sick and Homebound
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

- **INTRODUCTORY RITE**

Presider: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And with your spirit.

- **PENITENTIAL RITE**

Presider: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.

Pause for silent reflection

All: 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 what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask the blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Presider: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **All:** Amen.

OR

Presider: Lord Jesus, you healed the sick: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Presider: Lord Jesus, you forgave sinners: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Presider: Lord Jesus, you give us yourself to heal us and bring us strength: Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Presider: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **All:** Amen.

READINGS / REFLECTION

Option 1: You may choose one or more readings - from Sunday Mass or the Mass of the day.

Option 2: You could instead use one of the Gospel readings below.

John 6:51: Jesus says: "I myself am the living bread come down from heaven. If anyone eats this bread he shall live forever; the bread I will give is my flesh, for the life of the world."

John 6:54-58: He who feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has life eternal, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. The man who feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him. Just as the Father who has life sent me and I have life because of the Father, so the man who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and died nonetheless, the man who feeds on this bread shall live forever.

John 14:6: Jesus told him: "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through me."

John 15:5: I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing.

1 John 4:16: We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him.

- **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL (suggestions)**

Presider: Confident in the love of the Father, let us turn to him with our petitions.

For all our church leaders, Pope Leo, Archbishop Hebda, and all our Priests and Bishops, that they will be guided by a spirit of wisdom and humility, we pray to the Lord

All: Lord, hear our prayer

For all our government leaders that they may be led by the Holy Spirit to seek the common good for all we pray to the Lord

All: Lord, hear our prayer

For all the residents at [*Name of Facility*] who are ill and cannot join us, that the Lord will strengthen them through his grace, we pray to the Lord;

All: Lord, hear our prayer

For all those who have died especially our loved ones, that God will grant them eternal light and peace, we pray to the Lord;

All: Lord, hear our prayer

For our own needs this day and for all the intentions we hold in our hearts, we pray to the Lord;

All: Lord, hear our prayer

Presider: Heavenly Father, in your love hear us and, in your mercy, answer us if it be in accord with your will. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

All: Amen

- **LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Presider: Now let us pray as Christ the Lord has taught us:

All: Our Father...

Presider: Deliver us, Lord from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

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

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: *I leave you peace, my peace I give you.* Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever.

All: AMEN.

Presider: The peace of the Lord be with you always. Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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.

Minister genuflects or bows toward the Eucharist, then taking one host, raises it slightly over the pyx and says:

Presider: 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.

Afterward, the minister takes the vessel or pyx and goes to the communicants. Taking a host and raising it slightly, the minister says, "Body of Christ."

- **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

Presider: Lord, Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. You renew us at your table with the bread of life. May this food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

This blessing is said while the minister makes the sign of the cross over himself or herself:

Presider: May the almighty and merciful God bless and protect us, the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Presider: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

All: Thanks be to God