

**SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS
IN THE ABSENCE OF A PRIEST**

**— Outline of the Rite According to the Liturgy of
the Hours -**

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GREETING I

Minister: God, come to my assistance.

All: Lord, make haste to help me.

M: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

A: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

GREETING II

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

All: Amen.

**M: The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ be with us.**

Blessed be God for ever.

A: Amen.

INTRODUCTION

**M: We gather today to celebrate the Lord's Day. Our parish
priest is unable to be with us. One with our sisters and
brothers and with the entire Church, let us now listen to
God's Word and join in prayer and in eucharistic
communion.**

PSALMODY I

PSALMODY II

PSALMODY III

OPENING PRAYER

M: Let us pray...

...We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ.

A: Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

SECOND READING

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 the life everlasting. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

M: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

A: 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.

M: Lord, you keep us free from sin, grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom.

A: Amen.

SIGN OF PEACE

M: In the love of Christ, let us offer one another a sign of peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

M: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

A: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you but only say the word and I shall be healed.

COMMUNION

M: The body of Christ.

A: Amen.

ACT OF THANKSGIVING (Psalm, canticle, hymn...)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

M: Let us pray...

A: Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

M: May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

A: Amen.

M: Let us go in the peace of Christ.

A: Amen.

THE CYCLE OF THE PSALTER
SUNDAY I

PSALMODY I

Psalm 63:2-9 A soul thirsting for God

Antiphon 1 As morning breaks I look to you, O God, to be my
strength this day, alleluia.

(During the Advent and Lenten Season: I will praise you all my
life, O Lord; in your name I will lift up my hands.)

O God, you are my God, for you I long;

for you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you

like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary

to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life,

my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life,

in your name I will lift up my hands.

My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,

my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you.

On you I muse through the night

for you have been my help;

in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

My soul clings to you;

your right hand holds me fast.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

PSALMODY II

Daniel 3:57-88,56 Let all creatures praise the Lord.

Antiphon 2 O God, blessed are you, and exalted above all forever.

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.

Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord.

You heavens, bless the Lord.

All you waters above the heavens, bless the Lord.

All you hosts of the Lord, bless the Lord.

Sun and moon, bless the Lord.

Stars of heaven, bless the Lord.

Every shower and dew, bless the Lord.

All you winds, bless the Lord.

Fire and heat, bless the Lord.

Cold and chill, bless the Lord.

Dew and rain, bless the Lord.

Frost and chill, bless the Lord.

Ice and snow, bless the Lord.

Nights and days, bless the Lord.

Light and darkness, bless the Lord.
Lightnings and clouds, bless the Lord.
Let the earth bless the Lord.
Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Mountains and hills, bless the Lord.
Everything growing from the earth, bless the Lord.
You springs, bless the Lord.
Seas and rivers, bless the Lord.

You dolphins and all water creatures, bless the Lord.
All you birds of the air, bless the Lord.
All you beasts, wild and tame, bless the Lord.
You sons of men, bless the Lord.

O Israel, bless the Lord.
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Servants of the Lord, bless the Lord.

Spirits and souls of the just, bless the Lord.
Holy men of humble heart, bless the Lord.
Hananiah, Azariah, Mishael, bless the Lord.
Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Let us praise and exalt him above all forever.

Blessed are you, Lord, in the firmament of heaven.
Praiseworthy and glorious and exalted above all forever.

PSALMODY III

Psalm 149 The joy of God's holy people

Antiphon 3 Let the people of Zion rejoice in their King, alleluia.

(During the Advent and Lenten Season: The Lord takes delight in his people. He crowns the poor with salvation.)

**Sing a new song to the Lord,
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
Let Israel rejoice in its maker,
let Zion's sons exult in their king.**

For the Lord takes delight in his people.
He crowns the poor with salvation.
Let the faithful rejoice in their glory,
shout for joy and take their rest.

**Let the praise of God be on their lips
and a two-edged sword in their hand,
to deal out vengeance to the nations
and punishment on all the peoples;
to bind their kings in chains
and their nobles in fetters of iron;
to carry out the sentence pre-ordained;
this honor is for all his faithful.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

THE CYCLE OF THE PSALTER SUNDAY II

PSALMODY I

Psalm 118 Song of joy for salvation

Antiphon 1 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
alleluia.

(During the Advent and Lenten Season: The right hand of the Lord has
raised me up.)

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love endures for ever.**

**Let the sons of Israel say:
“His love endures for ever.”**

Let those who fear the Lord say:

“His love endures for ever.”

I called to the Lord in my distress;
he answered and freed me.

The Lord is at my side; I do not fear.

What can man do against me?

The Lord is at my side as my helper:

I shall look down on my foes.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:

it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes.

**The nations all encompassed me;
in the Lord's name I crushed them.
They compassed me, compassed me about;
in the Lord's name I crushed them.**

They compassed me about like bees;
they blazed like a fire among thorns.
In the Lord's name I crushed them.

**I was hard-pressed and was falling
but the Lord came to help me.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he is my savior.**

There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just.
The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me.
The Lord's right hand has triumphed.

**I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.**

**I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die.**

Open to me the gates of holiness:
I will enter and give thanks.
This is the Lord's own gate
where the just may enter.
I will thank you for you have answered
and you are my savior.

**The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.**

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.
O Lord, grant us salvation;
O Lord, grant success.

**Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
the Lord God is our light.**

Go forward in procession with branches
even to the altar.

You are my God, I thank you.

My God, I praise you.

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love endures for ever.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

PSALMODY II

Canticle of Daniel 3:52-57 Let all creatures praise the Lord

Antiphon 2 Let us sing a hymn of praise to our God, alleluia.

(During the Advent and Lenten season: Blessed are you, O Lord,
praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.)

**Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers,
praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.**

**And blessed is your holy and glorious name,
praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages.**

Blessed are you in the temple of your holy glory,
praiseworthy and glorious above all forever.

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom,
praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.

**Blessed are you who look into the depths
from your throne upon the cherubim,
praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.**

**Blessed are you in the firmament of heaven,
praiseworthy and glorious forever.**

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord,
praise and exalt him above all forever.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

PSALMODY III

Psalm 150 Praise the Lord.

Antiphon 3 Praise the Lord for his infinite greatness, alleluia.

**Praise God in his holy place,
praise him in his mighty heavens.
Praise him for his powerful deeds,
praise his surpassing greatness.**

O praise him with sound of trumpet,
praise him with lute and harp.
Praise him with timbrel and dance,
praise him with strings and pipes.

**O praise him with resounding cymbals,
praise him with clashing of cymbals.
Let everything that lives and that breathes
give praise to the Lord.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE CYCLE OF THE PSALTER SUNDAY III

PSALMODY I

Psalm 93 Splendor of God the Creator

Antiphon 1 Glorious is the Lord on high, alleluia.

(During other seasons: O Lord, you are king, your decrees are to be trusted.)

**The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power.**

**The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.**

From all eternity, O Lord, you are.

The waters have lifted up, O Lord,
the waters have lifted up their voice,
the waters have lifted up their thunder.
Greater than the roar of mighty waters,
more glorious than the surgings of the sea,
the Lord is glorious on high.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.

Holiness is fitting to your house,

O Lord, until the end of time.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

PSALMODY II

Canticle of Daniel 3:57-88,56 Let all creatures praise the Lord

Antiphon 2 The three young men cried out with one voice: Blessed
be God, alleluia.

(During other seasons: Praiseworthy, O Lord, and exalted above all
for ever.)

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.

Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord.

You heavens, bless the Lord.

All you waters above the heavens, bless the Lord.

All you hosts of the Lord, bless the Lord.

Sun and moon, bless the Lord.

Stars of heaven, bless the Lord.

Every shower and dew, bless the Lord.

All you winds, bless the Lord.

Fire and heat, bless the Lord.

Cold and chill, bless the Lord.

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Nights and days, bless the Lord.

Light and darkness, bless the Lord.

Lightnings and clouds, bless the Lord.

Let the earth bless the Lord.

Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Mountains and hills, bless the Lord.

Everything growing from the earth, bless the Lord.

You springs, bless the Lord.

Seas and rivers, bless the Lord.

You dolphins and all water creatures, bless the Lord.

All you birds of the air, bless the Lord.

All you beasts, wild and tame, bless the Lord.

You sons of men, bless the Lord.

O Israel, bless the Lord.

Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord.

Servants of the Lord, bless the Lord.

Spirits and souls of the just, bless the Lord.

Holy men of humble heart, bless the Lord.

Hananiah, Azariah, Mishael, bless the Lord.

Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Let us praise and exalt him above all forever.

Blessed are you, Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

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PSALMODY III

Psalm 148 Praise to the Lord, the Creator.

Antiphon 3 Let all the earth praise the Lord.

**(During Christmas and Easter season: To you Lord, be highest glory
and praise for ever, alleluia.)**

Praise the Lord from the heavens,

praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all his angels,

praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon,

praise him, shining stars.

Praise him, highest heavens

and the waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord.

He commanded: they were made.

He fixed them for ever,

gave a law which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth,

sea creatures and all oceans,

fire and hail, snow and mist,
stormy winds that obey his word;

**all mountains and hills,
all fruit trees and cedars,
beasts, wild and tame,
reptiles and birds on the wing;**

all earth's kings and peoples,
earth's princes and rulers;
young men and maidens,
old men together with children.

**Let them praise the name of the Lord
for he alone is exalted.
The splendor of his name
reaches beyond heaven and earth.**

He exalts the strength of his people.
He is the praise of all his saints,
of the sons of Israel,
of the people to whom he comes close.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

THE CYCLE OF THE PSALTER

SUNDAY IV

PSALMODY I

Psalm 118 Song of joy for salvation

Antiphon 1 Praise the Lord, for his loving kindness will never fail,
alleluia.

(According seasons: You are my God, Oh Lord, I praise you.)

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love endures for ever.**

**Let the sons of Israel say:
“His love endures for ever.”**

Let the sons of Aaron say:
“His love endures for ever.”

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**The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.**

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.
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is he who comes.
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even to the altar.
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ENTRANCE SONG AND GREETING

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

All: Amen.

M: The grace and joy of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all.

A: Amen.

PENITENCIAL RITE

Minister: We gather today to celebrate the Lord's Day. Our priest in unable to be with us. One as brothers and sisters let us now listen to God's Word and join in prayer. As we prepare to hear of God's love in Christ, let us acknowledge that the Lord is the source of pardon and strength.

(A pause for silent reflection.)

FORM I

M: I confess to almighty God

A: and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and 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.

FORM II

M: You were sent to heal the contrite: Lord, have mercy.

A: Lord, have mercy.

M: You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

A: Christ, have mercy.

M: You plead for us at the right hand of the Father: Lord,
have mercy.

A: Lord, have mercy.

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

T: Amen.

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M: The body of Christ.

A: Amen.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

M: Let us pray...

... We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

A: Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

M: May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

A: Amen.

M: Praise and thanksgiving to our God.

A: Amen.

DISMISSAL SONG