Holy Communion Order One

St Andrew's Day [Mass of St Thomas]

Prayer of Preparation

[Marks a time of stillness before the beginning of the service]

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gathering

HYMN

The president may say

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

All Amen.

The president greets the people
The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Prayers of Penitence

Invitation to confession [Please sit or kneel]

The saints were faithful unto death and now dwell in the heavenly kingdom for ever. As we celebrate their joy, let us bring to the Lord our sins and weaknesses, and ask for his mercy.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with all.

All Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

+Celebrant gives the absolution All Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis [Please stand]

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest

The Collect [Please sit or kneel]

The president introduces a period of silent prayer.

The Collect is said.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

[See Sunday Sheet]

Readings [Please sit]

1st Lesson

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm or Hymn

Gospel Reading [Please stand]

Alleluia, alleluia.

I have called you friends, says the Lord, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.

All Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to *N*.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Nicene Creed [Please stand]

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession [Please sit or kneel]

This or other seasonal responses may be used.

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

And at the end Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace [Please stand]

May the God of peace sanctify you: may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before him at the coming of our Lord Jesus with his saints.

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

The congregation may exchange the sign of peace.

OFFERTORY HYMN

[During which a collection will be taken]

Preparation of the Table

[The bread and wine are brought to the altar]

Eucharistic Prayer B

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. We rejoice in the glorious splendour of your majesty for you have given us a share with *Andrew* in the inheritance of the saints in light. In the darkness of this passing age they proclaim the glory of your kingdom. Chosen as lights in the world, they surround our steps as we journey on towards the city of eternal light where they sing the everlasting song of triumph. In communion with angels and archangels and all who have served you on earth and worship you now in heaven, we raise our voices to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and *saying*:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

> Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

All Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of Andrew all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All 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.

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

The president says the invitation to communion

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. blessed are those who are called to his supper.

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

HYMN / ANTHEM [May be sung during communion]

Post Communion Prayer [See Sunday Sheet]

Silence is kept.

All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Notices / Banns of Marriage Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Dismissal

Blessing + The Celebrant gives the blessing

God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *All* **Amen.**

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *All* **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

HYMN

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