

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

**People: Amen.**

**C:** The Lord be with you.

**P: And with your spirit.**

## **THE ADDRESS**

### **GLORIA**

**All:** Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of goodwill. 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**

**P: Amen.**

## **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

All sit

### **FIRST READING**

Genesis 2: 18-24 read by Grace Achiaa

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper fit for him. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh; and the rib which the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.' Therefore, a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh.

The word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM**

PSALM 102 read by Valarie Kuffour

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. (R.)

**Response: The Lord is compassion and love.**

The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
As a father has compassion on his sons,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. (R.)

The love of the Lord is everlasting  
upon those who hold him in fear;  
his justice reaches out to children's children  
when they keep his covenant in truth. (R.)

## **SECOND READING**

Philippians 4: 4-9 read by Neville Moise

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL**

Matthew 5: 13 -16

**C:**The Lord be with you.

**P: And with your spirit.**

**C:**A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Matthew.

**P: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples, 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trodden under foot by men. 'You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**P: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE HOMILY

The people sit

THE CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Following the Questions before the Consent and the Civil Declaration of Freedom, the celebrant receives the consent of the couple, concluding:

**C:** What God joins together, let no one put asunder. Let us bless the  
Lord

**P: Thanks be to God.**

There follows the Blessing and Giving of Rings

BIDDING PRAYERS read by Jermaine Moise

Reader: Lord, hear us.

**Response: Lord, graciously hear us.**

OFFERTORY HYMN

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

**Refrain:**

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

And when I think of God, His Son not sparing  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in  
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And lead me home, what joy shall fill my heart  
Then I shall bow with humble adoration  
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

Refrain

OFFERTORY

All stand

**C:** Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God,  
the almighty Father.

**P: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise  
and glory of His Name, for the good and the good of all His holy  
Church.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

**P: Amen.**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

**C:** The Lord be with you.

**P: And with your spirit.**

**C:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**P: It is right and just.**

The Preface now follows. At the end all say:

**All: 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.**

The people kneel

The Eucharistic Prayer, including the Consecration, follows until the celebrant says:

**C.**The mystery of faith.

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

The priest concludes the Eucharistic Prayer saying alone:

**C.:**Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

**P: Amen.**

## **THE COMMUNION RITE**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

All stand

**C:** At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**All: 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.**

### **THE NUPTIAL BLESSING**

**P: Amen.**

**C:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**P: And with your spirit.**

**All: 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.**

All kneel

**C:** 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.**

#### COMMUNION

For Holy Communion, please come forward and kneel at the altar rails. Catholics who have not been to the Sacraments for some time and those who are not Catholic are welcome to come forward for a blessing. Crossing your arms across your chest will indicate to the priest that you wish to receive a blessing.

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand

**P: Amen.**

#### THE CONCLUDING RITES

**C:** The Lord be with you.

**P: And with your spirit.**

**C:** Bow down for the blessing.

**The priest gives a multi-fold blessing.**

**After each invocation the people respond:**

**P: Amen.**

**C:** And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**P: Amen.**

**C.** Go forth, the Mass has ended.

**P: Thanks be to God.**