

# CHRISM MASS

**ENTRANCE CHANT** (Song booklet page 1)

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## COLLECT

O God, who anointed your Only Begotten Son with the Holy Spirit and made him Christ and Lord, graciously grant that, being made sharers in his consecration, we may bear witness to your Redemption in the world. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

**FIRST READING** (*The Lord anointed me and sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, and to give them oil of gladness.*)

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the Lord and a day of vindication by our God, to comfort all who mourn; to place on those who mourn in Zion a diadem instead of ashes, to give them oil of gladness in place of mourning, a glorious mantle instead of a listless spirit.

You yourselves shall be named priests of the Lord, ministers of our God shall you be called.

I will give them their recompense faithfully, a lasting covenant I will make with them. Their descendants shall be renowned among the nations, and their offspring among the peoples; All who see them shall acknowledge them as a race the Lord has blessed. —The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 89(88):21-22, 25, 27

R. Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 89(88):2) (Song booklet page4)

“I have found David, my servant; with my holy oil I have anointed him, that my hand may always be with him, and that my arm may make him strong.” (R.)

“My faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him, and through my name shall his horn be exalted. He shall say of me, ‘You are my father, my God, the Rock, my savior!’” (R.)

**SECOND READING** *(Christ has made us into a Kingdom, priests for his God and Father.)*

A reading from the book of Revelation 1:5-8

Grace to you and peace from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his Blood, who has made us into a Kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

Behold, he is coming amid the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. All the peoples of the earth will lament him. Yes. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “the one who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

—The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Is 61:1 (cited in Lk 4:18) (Song booklet page 4)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; for he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor. (R.)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; for he has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives. (R.)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; for he has sent me to proclaim recovery of sight to the blind. (R.)

**GOSPEL** (*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me.*)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (4:16-21)

Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written:

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.*

Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”—The Gospel of the Lord.

**HOMILY**

**RENEWAL OF PROMISES OF HOLY ORDERS**

**Bishop:** Dear brothers and sisters, Priests and Deacons:

Please pray for me, your servant, as the Bishop of Hong Kong, and for our bishops emeritus, Cardinal Joseph Zen, Cardinal John Tong and for our auxiliary bishop, that we may be faithful to the apostolic office entrusted to us. Christ, have mercy.

**People:** Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

**Bishop:** Beloved fellow priests, in the presence of your Bishop and God’s holy people, are you resolved to renew your own dedication to Christ as priests of His new covenant?

**Priests:** I am.

**Bishop:** Are you resolved to be more united with the Lord Jesus and more closely conformed to him, denying yourselves and confirming those promises about sacred duties towards Christ’s Church which, prompted by love of him, you willingly and joyfully pledged on the day of your priestly ordination?

**Priests:** I am.

Bishop: Are you resolved to be faithful stewards of the mysteries of God in the Holy Eucharist and the other liturgical rites and to discharge faithfully the sacred office of teaching, following Christ the Head and Shepherd, not seeking any gain, but moved only by zeal for souls?

Priests: I am.

Bishop: Dear brothers and sisters, pray for your Priests, that the Lord may pour out his gifts abundantly upon them, and keep them faithful as ministers of Christ, the High Priest, so that they may lead you to him, who is the source of salvation. Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

Bishop: Dear Deacons, you are called to be the image of Christ the Servant. Indeed, the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many (Mt. 20:28). Are you resolved to hold fast to the mystery of faith with a clear conscience, and to discharge the office of Deacon with humility?

Deacons: I am.

Bishop: Dear brothers and sisters, pray for your Deacons, that the Lord may implore on them strength and wisdom, and keep them faithful as ministers of Christ the Servant. Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

Bishop: Pray for all the faithful, that the Lord may help them to fulfill the priestly mission conferred on them in baptism for the salvation of the world. Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

Bishop: Pray for the communion of the Church. May the Lord keep us united in faith and in charity. Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

Bishop: Pray for all people. May the Lord mercifully heal the sick, save the deceased, help the peacemakers and deliver those in distress. Christ, have mercy.

People: Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

Bishop: May the Lord keep us all in his charity and lead all of us, shepherds and flock, to eternal life.

All: Amen.

Sign of Peace (The Bishop is to exchange the sign of peace with the priests and deacons) (Song booklet page 5)

### THE RITE FOR THE BLESSING OF OILS AND THE CONSECRATION OF CHRISM

O REDEMPTOR SUME (before consecration) (Song booklet page 5)

### BLESSING OF THE OIL OF THE SICK

God of all consolation, you chose and sent your Son to heal the world.

Graciously listen to our prayer of faith:

Send the power of your Holy Spirit, the Consoler,  
into this precious oil, this soothing ointment,  
this rich gift, this fruit of the earth.

Bless this oil ✠ and sanctify it for our use.

Make this oil a remedy for all who are anointed with it;  
heal them in body, in soul, and in spirit,  
and deliver them in every affliction.

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

**R.** Amen! Amen! Amen! (Song booklet page 6)

## **BLESSING OF THE OIL OF CATECHUMENS**

Lord God, protector of all who believe in you, bless ✠ this oil  
and give wisdom and strength  
to all who are anointed with it  
in preparation for their Baptism.

Bring them to a deeper understanding of the Gospel,  
Help them to accept the challenge of Christian living,  
and lead them to the joy of new birth  
in the family of your Church.

Through Christ our Lord.

**R.** Amen! Amen! Amen! (Song booklet page 6)

## **CONSECRATION OF THE CHRISM**

Let us pray that God our almighty Father will bless this oil so  
that all who are anointed with it may be inwardly transformed  
and come to share in eternal salvation.

Father,

we thank you for the gifts

you have given us in your love: we thank you for life itself and  
for the Sacraments

that strengthen it and give it fuller meaning.

In the Old Covenant you gave your people

a glimpse of the power of this holy oil

and when the fullness of time had come

you brought that mystery to perfection

in the life of our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son.

By this suffering, dying, and rising to life

he saved the human race.

He sent your Spirit to fill the Church

with every gift needed to complete your saving work.

From that time forward, through the sign of holy Chrism,

you dispense your life and love to men.

By anointing them with the Spirit,

you strengthen all who have been reborn in Baptism.

Through that anointing  
you transform them into the likeness of Christ your Son  
and give them a share  
in his royal, priestly, and prophetic work.

**All the concelebrants extend their right hand towards the Chrism without saying anything, until the end of the prayer.**

And so, Father, by the power of your love, make this mixture of oil and perfume

a sign and source ✠ of your blessing

Pour out the gifts of your Holy Spirit

on our brothers and sisters who will be anointed with it.

Let the splendor of holiness shine on the world from every place and thing signed with this oil.

Above all, Father, we pray

that through this sign of your anointing

you will grant increase to your Church

until it reaches the eternal glory

where you, Father, will be the all in all, together with Christ

your Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

for ever and ever.

**R.** Amen! Amen! Amen! (Song booklet page 6)

**O REDEMPTOR SUME** ( **after consecration** ) (Song booklet page 7)

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

May the power of this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray, mercifully wipe away what is old in us and increase in us grace of salvation and newness of life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **PREFACE** (The Priesthood of Christ and the Ministry of Priests)

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.

For by the anointing of the Holy Spirit you made your Only Begotten Son High Priest of the new and eternal covenant, and by your wondrous design were pleased to decree that his one Priesthood should continue in the Church.

For Christ not only adorns with a royal priesthood the people he has made his own, but with a brother's kindness he also chooses men to become sharers in his sacred ministry through the laying on of hands.

They are to renew in his name the sacrifice of human redemption, to set before your children the paschal banquet, to lead your holy people in charity, to nourish them with the word and strengthen them with the Sacraments.

As they give up their lives for you and for the salvation of their brothers and sisters, they strive to be conformed to the image of Christ himself and offer you a constant witness of faith and love.

And so, Lord, with all the Angels and Saints, we, too, give you thanks as in exultation we acclaim: *Holy, Holy, Holy . . .*

**COMMUNION CHANT** (Song booklet page 8)

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We beseech you, almighty God, that those you renew by your Sacraments may merit to become the pleasing fragrance of Christ. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

**SOLEMN BLESSING**

Bishop: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Deacon: Bow down for the blessing.

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

All: Now and for ever.

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who made heaven and earth.

Bishop: May almighty God bless you, ✠the Father, ✠and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Deacon: Go in peace.

All: Thanks be to God.

(Song booklet page 8)

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