

Concluding Rite:

At the conclusion of the celebration, we are “missioned” and sent to “be Christ” in our world. What happens in our lives during the coming week will give deeper meaning to the ritual actions we have celebrated at Mass.

Announcements: There may be announcements at this time, which remind us of important activities coming up in the parish.

Greeting: The priest greets the people with,

± **The Lord be with you.**

4th Time - we have heard The Lord Be With You.

This is a final calling of the Lord, and He is saying once again that He will be with you – as we glorify Him by our lives and witness out in the world.

Blessing: We are blessed for our journey.

As the priest names the Trinity—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—we make the sign of the cross.

If there is a Solemn Blessing the Deacon or Priest will say “Bow Down for the Blessing”

Dismissal: The deacon or priest then dismisses the people, so that each may go out to do good works, praising and blessing God.

- Go forth, the Mass is ended.
- Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.
- Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
- Go in peace ...

and we give our liturgical “yes” by saying,
“Thanks be to God.”

Living the Eucharist in the world. We leave the assembly and the church building—but we carry something with us.

A newly married couple leave their wedding ceremony but carry their marriage with them. And what happens in the days and years after the wedding gives deeper meaning to the symbols they have exchanged (for example, their rings) at the wedding.

After the proclamation of the dismissal, the Priest/Deacon venerates the altar-table with a **kiss** and then a **bow**.

The Mass has ended.

Remember, we still have Jesus’ physical presence dwelling within us while the species of the Eucharist remains in our bodies.

Could we spend a few minutes with our Lord after Mass:

Resting with Him, Loving Him, Adoring Him, Praising Him.

There is no better time to give our Lord that loving attention than right after receiving Him in Holy Communion.

“We are Eucharistic people, a people who have been entrusted with the Sacramental Body and Blood of Christ. And we must Proclaim Him, Worship Him, and be His Witness.

Questions or– send me an email.

Let us Pray:

Dear Jesus,
help me to spread Your fragrance everywhere I go...
Shine through me so every person I meet
will feel Your presence in me.
Let them look up and see,
not only me, but also You.”

Final Blessing