

## EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION

*EXPOSITION — After the people have assembled, the following or another suitable song may be sung while the celebrant comes to the altar with the Eucharist.*

1. O saving Victim, open wide  
The gate of heav'n to us below,  
Our foes press on from ev'ry side;  
Your aid supply, your strength bestow.

2. To your great name be endless praise,  
Immortal Godhead, One in Three;  
Grant us, for endless length of days,  
In our true native land to be. Amen.

1. O salutaris Hostia  
Quae caeli pandis ostium:  
Bella premunt hostilia,  
Da robur, fer auxilium.

2. Uni trinoque Domino  
Sit sempiterna gloria,  
Qui vitam sine termino  
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

*After exposition, the celebrant incenses the sacrament. If the adoration is to be lengthy, he may then withdraw.*

*ADORATION — During the exposition there should be prayers, songs, readings from scripture, and a brief homily to direct the attention of the faithful to the worship of the Lord.*

*BENEDICTION — Toward the end of the exposition the priest or deacon goes to the altar, genuflects, and kneels. Then the following or another suitable eucharistic song is sung.*

1. Down in adoration falling,  
This great Sacrament we hail;  
Over ancient forms of worship  
Newer rites of grace prevail;  
Faith will tell us Christ is present,  
When our human senses fail.

2. To the everlasting Father,  
And the Son who made us free,  
And the Spirit, God proceeding  
From them Each eternally,  
Be salvation, honor, blessing,  
Might and endless majesty. Amen.

1. Tantum ergo Sacramentum  
Veneremur cernui,  
Et antiquum documentum  
Novo cedat ritui;  
Praestet fides supplementum,  
Sensuum defectui.

2. Genitori Genitoque  
Laus et jubilatio,  
Salus, honor, virtus quoque  
Sit et benedictio:  
Procedenti ab utroque  
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

Priest/Deacon: You have given them Bread from heaven (P.T. Alleluia).

**All: Having all sweetness within it (P.T. Alleluia).**

Priest/Deacon: Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood, help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the kingdom, where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**

*The celebrant then blesses the people with the Eucharist.*

*REPOSITION — After the blessing the priest or deacon replaces the blessed sacrament in the tabernacle and genuflects. The following acclamation may be said at this time.*

**Blessed be God.**

**Blessed be his Holy Name.**

**Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.**

**Blessed be the Name of Jesus.**

**Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.**

**Blessed be his most Precious Blood.**

**Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.**

**Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.**

**Blessed be the great Mother of God,  
Mary most holy.**

**Blessed be her holy and Immaculate  
Conception.**

**Blessed be her glorious Assumption.**

**Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and  
Mother.**

**Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste  
spouse.**

**Blessed be God in his angels and in his  
saints.**

*As the celebrant leaves, the following or another suitable song may be sung.*

Holy God, we praise thy name;  
Lord of all, we bow before thee;  
All on earth thy scepter claim,  
All in heaven above adore thee.  
Infinite thy vast domain,  
Everlasting is thy reign!

Hark, the loud celestial hymn;  
Angel choirs above are raising;  
Cherubim and Seraphim,  
In unceasing chorus praising,  
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord!