

CONFIRMATION

MASS JOURNAL



NAME _____

Correct the Order Game: Parts of the Mass

The Mass is divided into **four parts**: Introductory Rite, the Liturgy of the Word, the Eucharist, and the Concluding Rite. Place numbers beside the parts within these sections of the Mass in their proper order. The first one in each section is provided for you. Your answers can come from attending the mass live or virtually.

Opening Rite

 2 Opening Hymn

 1 Welcoming everyone to the Liturgy

 3 The Procession

_____ Greeting by the Presider

_____ The Sign of the Cross

_____ The Gloria

_____ Penitential Rite (the forgiveness of sins—Lord Have Mercy)

_____ The Collect

The Liturgy of the Word

_____ The Gospel

 1 The Old Testament Reading

_____ The Homily

_____ The Psalm

_____ The Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia, except during Lent)

_____ The New Testament Reading

_____ The General Intercessions or Prayers of the Faithful

_____ The Profession of Faith (Creed)

The Liturgy of the Eucharist (based on non-COVID times)

 2 The Offertory (May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands . . .)

 1 The Procession with the Gifts

 3 The Eucharistic Prayer – includes:

- Preface (The Lord be with you . . . It is right and just)
- Holy Holy Holy (Lord God song of praise)
- Words of Institution (*Take this, all of you, and eat of it: for **this is my body** which will be given*
 - *up for you, etc.)*
- Memorial Acclamation (Let us proclaim the mystery of faith . . .)
- Doxology and Great Amen (through him, with him, . . . Great Amen – sing Amen three times.

_____ The Lord's Prayer (Our Father)

_____ The Lamb of God
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world . . .

_____ Breaking of the Bread

_____ The Communion (all are invited to go forward after sharing the following words)
This is the Lamb of God . . .
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof . . .

_____ The Sign of Peace

_____ The Communion Song

Concluding Rites

_____ Final Procession

_____ The Concluding Prayer

_____ The Announcements

_____ The Final Blessing

Mass Reflections

Mass is the highest form of **worship** in our Catholic Faith. You are a very important part of the Mass. With this reflection guide, reflect on the Mass to see what God is revealing to the people and most especially, to you. Scripture is the LIVING Word of God! Through the Holy Scriptures, prayer, and Eucharist, God teaches, guides, and challenges us.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- There are five mass reflections on the following pages. They are each **different from each** other so that you may reflect on various aspects of the Mass. Fill out these reflections completely and accurately.
- Reflect on a Sunday Mass **once a month**, either in-person (Lumen Christi is Saturdays at 4:30pm and Sundays at 9:30am), via livestream (Sundays at 9:30am), or by watching the recording through our website on the homepage or on our Facebook page. There are six months remaining in Confirmation preparation (December through May), and five Mass reflection pages, so you may skip one month.
- Take notes if desired. Reflect on what is God's Message and how the message relates in your life. Key points from the homily will relate to the Gospel.
- You can find the Sunday's readings at the U.S. Bishops website here, choosing the correct calendar date: <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>
- If viewing online due to COVID, the program is available on the homepage of our website underneath the link for the Mass livestream or recording.
- After completing the journal, submit to Lynn Schelitzche, Director of Faith Formation, by May 15. You may drop it off in person or in the drop boxes outside or inside Lumen Christi.

MASS JOURNAL REFLECTION #1

Date: _____

Church: _____

After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened (for him), and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove (and) coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." Matthew 3:16-17

Who was the main celebrant or presider (name of priest who led the celebration of the Mass)?

What in particular do you remember about Mass (e.g. the vestment colors, readings, songs, or something said during the homily)?

What did Jesus say or do in the Gospel that was proclaimed?

How can you take the gospel message and teaching and make the message applicable to your own life?

MASS JOURNAL REFLECTION #2

Date: _____

Church: _____

...The fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Galatians 5:22-23

What was today's Gospel reading? (Cite book, chapter and verses. See instruction page of this journal for direction.)

How did the Homily relate to today's readings?

During the Eucharistic Prayer we give thanks and praise to God. What are we grateful for as **Christians**?

How did the music contribute to the Mass?

What was the message of the opening song?

How does singing support praying? Did you sing (during COVID you can only do this if attending Mass virtually)?

The Church calls us to "active participation." Why?

MASS JOURNAL REFLECTION #3

Date: _____

Church: _____

For however many are the promises of God, their Yes is in him; therefore, the Amen from us also Goes through him to God for glory. But the one who gives us security with you in Christ and who anointed us is God; he has also put his seal upon us and given the Spirit in our hearts as a first installment.

2 Corinthians 1:20-22

Other than the priest, who else processed in during the Entrance song? Did they carry anything? What was it?

Which reading from today, including the Psalm Response, could you relate to most, and why?

How did the Homily relate to things going on in your life? (At home, at school, with friends, in the world, in your local community, at your church.)

Which song did you enjoy the most? Why?

MASS JOURNAL REFLECTION #4

Date: _____

Church: _____

“Ah, Lord God!” I said, “I know not how to speak; I am too young.” But the Lord answered me, “Say not, ‘I am too young.’ To whomever I send you, you shall go; whatever I command you, you shall speak. Have no fear before them, because I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.” Then the Lord extended his hand and touched my mouth, saying, “See, I place my words in your mouth!”

Jeremiah 1:6-9

What does the scripture above speak to you in your life?

What was today’s First Reading? What was its main message?

What was today’s Psalm Response? Was it sung or read?

How could these words help you during the week?

Who did the community pray for in the petitions? Were any petitions connected with happenings in the world today?

What was the Recessional or Closing Song, and what was its message (if viewing online due to COVID, the program is available on the homepage of our website)?

MASS JOURNAL REFLECTION #5

Date: _____

Church: _____

For so the Lord has commanded us, “I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.” The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region.” Acts 13:47-49

What was today’s second reading and did any words or phrases stand out for you?

Was there a “Gloria” at today’s Mass? If not, why not? If so, how will you glorify God this week?

What was the message of the homily today?

Did you say the creed with the whole faith community? How did it feel to pray together with everyone?