

LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION

GREETING

93 On entering each room, the minister may use one of the following greetings:

A The peace of the Lord be with you.

**B The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.**

If the minister is a Priest or Deacon, all respond:
And with your spirit.

If the minister is not a Priest or Deacon, he or she adds to the greeting: Blessed be God for ever, to which all respond:
Blessed be God for ever.

The minister then places the Blessed Sacrament on the table, and all join in adoration.

If there is time and it seems desirable, the minister may proclaim a Scripture reading from those found on pages 14–16, 30–33 of this book, or those appearing in part III of *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist outside Mass*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

94 When circumstances permit (for example, when there are not many rooms to visit), the minister is encouraged to lead the sick in the Lord's Prayer. The minister introduces the Lord's Prayer in these or similar words:

A Now let us pray as Christ the Lord taught us:

B And now let us pray with confidence as Christ our Lord commanded:

All say:

Our Father . . .

COMMUNION

95 The minister shows the Eucharistic Bread to those present, saying:

**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.**

The sick person and all who are to receive Communion say:
Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

The minister goes to the sick person and, showing the Blessed Sacrament, says:

The Body of Christ.

The sick person answers: Amen, and receives Communion.

Then if the Blood of Christ is to be given, the minister says:

The Blood of Christ.

The sick person answers: Amen, and receives Communion.

Others present who wish to receive Communion then do so in the usual way.

CONCLUDING RITE

CONCLUDING PRAYER

96 The concluding prayer may be said either in the last room visited, in the church, or chapel. One of the following may be used:

Let us pray.

Pause for silent prayer, if this has not preceded.

A All-powerful and everliving God,
may the Body and Blood of Christ your Son
be for our brother/sister **N.**
a lasting remedy for body and soul.
Through Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

B O God, who have accomplished the work of
human redemption
through the Paschal Mystery of your Only
Begotten Son,
graciously grant that we, who confidently
proclaim,
under sacramental signs, the Death and
Resurrection of Christ,
may experience continued increase of your
saving grace.
Through Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

C O God, who have willed that we be partakers
in the one Bread and the one Chalice,
grant us, we pray, so to live
that, made one in Christ,
we may joyfully bear fruit
for the salvation of the world.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

D Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord,
we give you thanks and beseech your mercy,
that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit,
the grace of integrity may endure
in those your heavenly power has entered.
Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

The blessing is omitted.