

The Structure of the Mass

For each element of the liturgy, the person(s) primarily responsible for that element are indicated in italics

The rector welcomes the congregation and introduces the presider by name. If the rector is presiding, an assistant rector or another hall staff member assumes this role.

A. INTRODUCTORY RITES

- Entrance (song): *Music Ministers*
- Greeting of the congregation: *Presider*
- Penitential Rite: *Presider*
- Gloria (except during Advent and Lent): *Music Ministers, if at all possible*
- Opening Prayer: *Presider*

B. LITURGY OF THE WORD

- First Reading (from Old Testament, except during Easter): *Lector*
- Responsorial Psalm: *Music Ministers*
- Second Reading (from New Testament): *Lector*
- Gospel Acclamation: *Music Ministers*
- Gospel (Matthew, Mark, Luke or John): *Presider*
- Homily: *Presider*
- Profession of Faith (Nicene or Apostles' Creed): *Presider*
- General Intercessions/Prayer of the Faithful: *Lector*

C. LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

(1) *Preparation of the Gifts*

- Altar prepared: *Sacristan and/or other ministers*
- Procession with gifts of bread and wine: *Sacristan and/or other ministers*
- Presentation of the gifts (to the priest): *Sacristan and/or other ministers*
- Prayer over the gifts: *Presider*

(2) *Eucharistic Prayer*

- Thanksgiving: *Presider*
- Holy, Holy: *Music Ministers*
- Calling down of the Holy Spirit on the gifts: *Presider*
- Institution Narrative (Consecration): *Presider*
- Memorial Acclamation: *Music Ministers*
- Doxology ("Through him, with him, in him..."): *Presider*
- Great Amen: *Music Ministers*

(3) *Communion Rite*

- Lord's Prayer (Our Father...): *Presider or Music Ministers*
- Sign of Peace: *Invited by Presider*

- Lamb of God: *Music Ministers*
- Distribution of communion: *Presider, Rector, Student EMs*
- Communion Song: *Music Ministers*
- Prayer after communion: *Presider*

D. CONCLUDING RITE

- Greeting and Blessing: *Presider*
- Announcements and/or other remarks: *Rector*
- Dismissal of Assembly: *Presider*
- Recessional Song: *Music Ministers*