Pastoral Visit of
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

EVENING PRAYER
WEDNESDAY OF THE
FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER

With the Bishops of the
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
THE ORDER OF CELEBRATION

PROCESSION

The Holy Father proceeds with the other ministers to his chair, as the choir sings *Tu Es Petrus*. He takes his seat.

INTRODUCTORY RITE

Festal Tone.

E-us in adjutó-ri-um me-um inténde. R: Dómine ad adjuvándum me festina. Gló-ri- a Pa-tri, et Fí- li- o, et Spi-rí-tu- i Sancto. Sicut e-rat in prin-
HYMN
The opening hymn is sung by all.

At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing

1. At the Lamb’s high feast we sing
2. Where the Paschal blood is poured,
3. Might- y vict- im from the sky,
4. East- er tri- umph, East- er joy,
   Praise to our vic-
   Death’s dark an- gel
   Hell’s fierce powers be-
   This a- lone can
to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
sheathes his sword; Is- rael’s hosts tri- umph- ant go
neath you lie; You have con- quered in the fight,
sin de- stroy; From sin’s power, Lord, set us free

Flow- ing from his pier- ced side; Praise we him, whose
Through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose
You have brought us life and light: Now no more can
New- born souls in you to be. Fa- ther, who the

love di- vine
Gives his sa- cred
blood was shed,
Pas- chal vic- tim, Pas- chal bread;
death ap- palled,
Now no more the grave en- thrall;
crown shall give,
Sav- ior, by whose death we live,
With sin- cer- i- ty and love
You have o- pened par- a- dise,
Spir- it, guide through all our days,
Gives his Bod- y for the feast,
Chri st the vic- tim, Chri st the priest.
Eat we man- na from a- bove.
And in you your saints shall rise.
Three in One, your name we praise.

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PSALMODY

Antiphon 1  The night will be as clear as day, alleluia.

Psalms 139:1-18, 23-24

Choir:  O Lord, you search me and you know me,
you know my resting and my rising,
you discern my purpose from afar.
You mark when I walk or lie down,
all my ways lie open to you.

All:  Before ever a word is on my tongue
you know it, O Lord, through and through.
Behind and before you besiege me,
your hand ever laid upon me.
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge,
too high, beyond my reach.

Choir:  If I say: “Let the darkness hide me
and the light around me be night,”
even darkness is not dark for you
and the night is as clear as the day.

All:  Glory to the Father, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon  The night will be as clear as day, alleluia.

A moment of silent prayer follows.
Antiphon 2  I know my sheep and mine
know me, alleluia.

Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24

Choir:  For it was you who created my being,
knit me together in my mother’s womb.
I thank you for the wonder of my being,
for the wonders of all your creation.

All:  Already you knew my soul,
my body held no secret from you
when I was being fashioned in secret
and molded in the depths of the earth.

Choir:  Your eyes saw all my actions,
they were all of them written in your book,
every one of my days was decreed
before one of them came into being.

All:  To me, how mysterious your thoughts,
the sum of them not to be numbered!
If I count them, they are more than the sand;
to finish, I must be eternal, like you.

Choir:  O search me, God, and know my heart.
O test me and know my thoughts.
See that I follow not the wrong path
and lead me in the path of life eternal.

All:  Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon  I know my sheep and mine
know me, alleluia.

A moment of silent prayer follows.
Antiphon 3  His glory covers the heavens and his praise fills the earth, alleluia.

Canticle: Colossians 1:12-20

Choir: Let us give thanks to the Father for having made you worthy to share the lot of the saints in light.

All: He rescued us from the pow’r of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son. Through him we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins.

Choir: He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creatures. In him everything in heaven and on earth was created, things visible and invisible.

All: All were created through him; all were created for him. He is before all else that is. In him everything continues in being.

Choir: It is he who is head of the body, the church! he who is the beginning, the first-born of the dead, so that primacy may be his in ev’rything.

All: It pleased God to make absolute fullness reside in him and, by means of him, to reconcile everything in his person, both on earth and in the heavens, making peace through the blood of his cross.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon  His glory covers the heavens and his praise fills the earth, alleluia.

A moment of silent prayer follows.
READING

Hebrews 7:24-27

Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. Therefore he is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he forever lives to make intercession for them. It was fitting that we should have such a high priest: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, higher than the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifice day after day, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did that once for all when he offered himself.

RESPONSORY

Cantor: The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.
All: The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: When they saw the risen Lord, alleluia, alleluia.
All: The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
All: The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.

MAGNIFICAT

Antiphon God sent his Son into the world not as its judge but as its savior, alleluia.

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All: Magnificat * anima mea Dominum:
Choir: et exsultavit spiritus meus in Deo salutari meo.
All: Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ:
Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes
Choir: Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est:
et sanctum nomen eius.
All: Et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies timentibus eum.
Choir: Fecit potentiam in brachio suo:
dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.
All: Deposuit potentes de sede et exaltavit humiles.
Choir: Esurientes implevit bonis:
et divites dimisit inanes.

All: Suscepit Israel puerum suum,
recordatus misericordiæ suæ.

Choir: Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros,
Abraham et semini eius in sæcula.
All: Gloria Patri et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto.

Choir: Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,
et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

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INTERCESSIONS

The Holy Father:

In his Son, risen from the dead, God has opened for
us the way to everlasting life. Let us ask the Father,
through the victory of Christ, to save the people he
has redeemed.

The deacon: God of our fathers, you raised your Son Jesus
from the dead and clothed him in glory; move
our hearts to complete repentance,
that we may walk in newness of life.

All: 

The deacon: You have led us back to the shepherd and
bishop of our souls,
keep us faithful under the guidance of the
shepherds of the Church.

All: 

The deacon: You chose the firstfruits of Christ’s disciples
from the Jewish people,
reveal to the children of Israel the fulfillment
of the promise made to their forefathers.

All: 

The deacon: Remember the lonely, the orphaned and the
widowed,
and do not abandon those who have been
reconciled with you by the death of your Son.

All: 

The deacon: You called Stephen to your presence when
he bore witness to Jesus, standing at your
right hand,
welcome our deceased brothers and sisters
who in faith and love hoped for the vision of
your glory.
THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Holy Father:

Præ-cé-p-tis sa- lu-tá- ri-bus mó- ni- ti, et di-ví-na insti-tu-tí- ó-ne formá-tí,

au-dé-mus di- ce- re:

He extends his hands and continues with the people:

Pá-ter noster, qui es in cae- lis: sancti-fi-cé-tur nomen

tu- um; advé-ni-at regnum tu-um; fi-at vo-lúntas tu-a,

sic-ut in cae-lo, et in terra. Panem nostrum co-ti-di- á-num

da no-bis hó-di- e; et di-mit-te no-bis dé-bi-ta nostra, sic-ut et

nos di-mít-timus de-bi-tó-rí-bus nostris; et ne nos in-dú-cas

in tenta-tí- ó-nem; sed lí-be-ra nos a ma- lo.
CONCLUDING RITES

CONCLUDING PRAYER

The Holy Father:

God our Father,
life of the faithful,
glory of the humble,
happiness of the just,
hear our prayer.
Fill our emptiness
with the blessing of the eucharist,
the foretaste of eternal joy.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING

The Holy Father:

Dominus vobiscum.
R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Sit nomen Domini benedictum.
R. Ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum.

Adiutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.
R. Qui fecit cælum et terram.

Benedicat vos omnipotens Deus,
Pater, ✠ et Filius, ✠ et Spiritus ✠ Sanctus.
R. Amen.

DISMISSAL

The deacon:

Ite in pace.
R. Deo gratias.

REGINA CÆLI

The choir intones the Regina Cæli and all sing:

Regina cæli, lætare, alleluia. Qui a quem meri sti portare, alleluia. Resur-recto si-cum di-xit,
April 17, 2008
Thursday
10:00 AM

WASHINGTON,
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
NATIONALS PARK

CELEBRATION OF
THE EUCHARIST
Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit
THE ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

After the people have assembled, the Holy Father and the ministers go to the altar while the entrance song is being sung.

When the Holy Father comes to the altar, he makes the customary reverence with the ministers and kisses the altar. He incenses the altar. Then, with the ministers, he goes to the chair.

GREETING

The Holy Father:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Peace be with you.

R. And also with you.

WELCOME

The Most Reverend Donald W. Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington, welcomes the Holy Father.
PENITENTIAL RITE

The Holy Father introduces the celebration and the penitential rite:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I am happy to be with you all, here in Washington, the District of Columbia, the capital of the United States of America, and to celebrate with you this eucharist. May our time together help us to be renewed in the hope and love of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of Christ’s love, let us acknowledge our failures and ask the Lord for pardon and strength.

After a moment of silence, the cantor makes the invocations:

The cantor:

You came to gather the nations into the peace of God’s Kingdom.

Kyrie eleison,

R. Kyrie eleison.

GLORIA

The Gloria is sung by the choir and the people.
OPENING PRAYER

The Holy Father:

Let us pray.

God our Father, 
no secret is hidden from you, 
for every heart is open to you 
and every wish is known. 
Fill our hearts with the light 
of your Holy Spirit 
to free our thoughts from sin, 
that we may perfectly love you 
and fittingly praise you.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, 
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, 
one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11

A reader proclaims the first reading in Spanish from the ambo.

Lectura del libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles

Todos quedaron llenos del Espíritu Santo y empezaron a hablar.

El día de Pentecostés, todos los discípulos estaban reunidos en un mismo lugar. De repente se oyó un gran ruido que venía del cielo, como cuando sopla un viento fuerte, que resonó por toda la casa donde se encontraban. Entonces aparecieron lenguas de fuego, que se distribuyeron y se posaron sobre ellos; se llenaron todos del Espíritu Santo y empezaron a hablar en otros idiomas, según el Espíritu los inducía a expresarse.

En esos días había en Jerusalén judíos devotos, venidos de todas partes del mundo. Al oír el ruido, acudieron en masa y quedaron desconcertados, porque cada uno los oía hablar en su propio idioma.

Atónitos y llenos de admiración, preguntaban: “¿No son galileos todos estos que están hablando? ¿Cómo, pues, los oímos hablar en nuestra lengua nativa? Entre nosotros hay medos, partos y elamitas; otros vivimos en Mesopotamia, Judea, Capadocia, en el Ponto y en Asia, en Frigia y en Panfilia, en Egipto o en la zona de Libia que limita con Cirene. Algunos somos visitantes, venidos de
Roma, judíos y prosélitos; también hay cretenses y árabes. Y sin embargo, cada quien los oye hablar de las maravillas de Dios en su propia lengua.”

Palabra de Dios.
R. Te alabamos, Señor.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34
R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!
O Lord, my God, you are great indeed!
How manifold are your works, O Lord!
the earth is full of your creatures; R.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord be glad in his works!
Pleasing to him be my theme;
I will be glad in the Lord. R.

If you take away their breath, they perish
and return to their dust.
When you send forth your spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the earth. R.

SECOND READING Romans 8:22-27
A reader proclaims the second reading in English from the ambo.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

The Spirit intercedes with inexpressible groanings.

Brothers and sisters:
We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now;
and not only that, but we ourselves,
who have the firstfruits of the Spirit,
we also groan within ourselves
as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.
For in hope we were saved.
Now hope that sees is not hope.
For who hopes for what one sees?
But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait with endurance.

In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness;
for we do not know how to pray as we ought,
but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings.
And the one who searches hearts
knows what is the intention of the Spirit,
because he intercedes for the holy ones
according to God’s will.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love. R.

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us. R.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL
John 20:19-23

The deacon:
The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

* A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
R. Glory to you, Lord.

As the Father sent me, so I send you: Receive the Holy Spirit.

On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,
for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood in their midst
and said to them, “Peace be with you.”
When he had said this, he showed them his hands
and his side.
The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”
And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said
to them,
“Receive the Holy Spirit.
Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
and whose sins you retain are retained.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

While the choir and the people repeat the Alleluia, the deacon carries
the Book of the Gospels to the Holy Father, who kisses it and blesses the
gathered assembly with it.

HOMILY
PROFESSION OF FAITH

Archbishop Donald Wuerl invites the people to renew their baptismal promises:

Dear brothers and sisters, through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may rise to a new life.

Now, after hearing the Word of God, and in the presence of the Successor of Peter, who has come to confirm us in our faith, hope, and love, let us renew the profession of faith made at our baptism and recommit ourselves to love and serve faithfully God and our brothers and sisters in his holy Church.

The Holy Father:

Do you believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth?

R. I do.

The Holy Father:

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father?

R. I do.

The Holy Father:

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

R. I do.

The Holy Father:

This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church. We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord.

R. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

The Holy Father:

My brothers and sisters, with joy at Christ’s rising from the dead, let us turn to God our Father in prayer. He heard and answered the prayers of the Son he loved so much: let us trust that he will hear our petitions.
Lord, hear our prayer; 
Deus, exaudi nos; 
Señor, escúchanos.

1. For our Holy Father, Pope Benedict, and for all our bishops, that the Lord will continue to give them, as successors of the apostles, the courage to proclaim our hope in Jesus Christ; let us pray to the Lord. 

2. For peace in our world and for the safety of those who seek to achieve it in our fragile world; let us pray to the Lord.

3. For children everywhere, may they be blessed with good health and caring families; let us pray to the Lord.

4. That our actions of personal sacrifice will help to alleviate any suffering taking place in our city, nation, and world; let us pray to the Lord.

5. For those who are ill, may they be healed through God’s infinite mercy; let us pray to the Lord.

6. For all who have died, that they may attain the fullness of life in the kingdom of heaven; let us pray to the Lord.

The Holy Father:

Loving Father, 
You know the many different needs your people have in this life. 
Hear us and answer the prayers of all who believe in you. 
We ask this through Christ our Lord. 
R. Amen.
Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

The Holy Father, standing at the altar, takes the paten with the bread and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, says inaudibly:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Then he places the paten with the bread on the corporal. The deacon pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying inaudibly:

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Then the Holy Father takes the chalice and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, says inaudibly:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

Then he places the chalice on the corporal. He bows and says inaudibly:

Lord God, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer with humble and contrite hearts.

The Holy Father incenses the gifts, altar, and cross. Afterwards the deacon incenses the Holy Father and the people. The Holy Father stands at the side of the altar and washes his hands, saying inaudibly:

Lord, wash away my iniquity; cleanse me from my sin.

Standing at the center of the altar, facing the people, the Holy Father extends and then joins his hands, saying:

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Prayer Over the Gifts

The Holy Father:

Father, look with kindness on the gifts we bring to your altar. May we worship you in spirit and truth: give us the humility and faith to make our offering pleasing to you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.
Eucharistic Prayer

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right to give him thanks and praise.
PREFACE

The Holy Father:

Father, all powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks. You give your gifts of grace for every time and season as you guide the Church in the marvelous ways of your providence.

You give us your Holy Spirit to help us always by his power, so that with loving trust we may turn to you in all our troubles, and give you thanks in all our joys, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

In our joy we sing to your glory with all the choirs of angels:

The choir and the assembly sing the Sanctus:

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Eucharistic Prayer III

The Holy Father, with hands extended, says:

Father, you are holy indeed
and all creation rightly gives you praise.
All life, all holiness comes from you
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
by the working of the Holy Spirit.
From age to age you gather a people to yourself,
so that from east to west
a perfect offering may be made
to the glory of your name.

The Holy Father takes the bread and, raising it a little above the altar, continues:
he took bread and gave you thanks and praise.
He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

He bows slightly as the concelebrants extend their right hands.
Take this, all of you, and eat it:
this is my body
which will be given up for you.

He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it on the paten, and genuflects in adoration. Then he continues:
When supper was ended, he took the cup.
He takes the chalice and, raising it a little above the altar, continues:

Again he gave you thanks and praise,
gave the cup to his disciples, and said:

He bows slightly as the concelebrants extend their right hands.
Take this, all of you, and drink from it:
this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and everlasting covenant.

It will be shed for you and for all
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me.
He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration.

The Holy Father:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

The people with the Holy Father and the concelebrants:

R. Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

With hands extended, the Holy Father and all concelebrants say:

Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation, his glorious resurrection and ascension into heaven, and ready to greet him when he comes again, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look with favor on your Church’s offering, and see the Victim whose death has reconciled us to yourself.

Grant that we, who are nourished by his body and blood, may be filled with his Holy Spirit, and become one body, one spirit in Christ.

The Holy Father and all concelebrants join their hands.

A concelebrant, with hands extended, says:

May he make us an everlasting gift to you and enable us to share in the inheritance of your saints. with Mary, the virgin Mother of God; with the apostles, the martyrs, and all your saints, on whose constant intercession we rely for help.

He joins his hands.

Another concelebrant, with hands extended, says:

Lord, may this sacrifice, which has made our peace with you, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Strengthen in faith and love your pilgrim Church on earth; your servant, Pope Benedict, and our bishop, Donald, and all the bishops, with the clergy and the entire people your Son has gained for you. Father, hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you. In mercy and love unite all your children wherever they may be.

Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters, and all who have left this world in your friendship.
He joins his hands.

We hope to enjoy for ever the vision of your glory, through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come.

The Holy Father takes the paten with the host and the deacon takes the chalice, and, as they lift them up, the Holy Father and all the concelebrants sing:

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Holy Father and the deacon place the chalice and paten on the altar.

With hands joined, the Holy Father sings:

Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses.
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

With hands extended, the Holy Father continues alone:

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil,
and grant us peace in our day.
In your mercy keep us free from sin
and protect us from all anxiety
as we wait in joyful hope
for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

He joins his hands.
DOXOLOGY

The people end the prayer with the acclamation:

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

SIGN OF PEACE

The Holy Father, with hands extended, says aloud:

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
I leave you peace, my peace I give you.
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church,
and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom,

He joins his hands.

where you live for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

The Holy Father:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. And also with you.

The deacon adds:

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Then the following is sung:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

Meanwhile, the Holy Father takes the host and breaks it over the paten. He places a small piece in the chalice, saying inaudibly:

May this mingling of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.
PRIVATE PREPARATION

The Holy Father joins his hands and says inaudibly:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit your death brought life to the world.
By your holy body and blood free me from all my sins, and from every evil.
Keep me faithful to your teaching, and never let me be parted from you.

Or:

Lord Jesus Christ, with faith in your love and mercy I eat your body and drink your blood.
Let it not bring me condemnation, but health in mind and body.

COMMUNION

The Holy Father genuflects. Taking the host, he raises it slightly over the paten and, facing the people, says aloud:

This is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sins of the world.
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

He adds with the people:

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Then the Holy Father says inaudibly:

May the body of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

He reverently consumes the body of Christ. Then he takes the chalice and says inaudibly:

May the blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

He reverently drinks the blood of Christ.

After this he takes the paten or another vessel and goes to the deacons and then the communicants. He takes a host for each one, raises it a little, and shows it, saying:

The body of Christ.

The communicant answers:

Amen.

and receives communion.

COMMUNION SONG

As all go to receive communion, appropriate hymns are sung by the choir and people.
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Holy Father, with hands joined, says:

Let us pray.

He extends his hands and prays:

Lord our God,
you renew us with food from heaven;
fill our hearts with the gentle love of your Spirit.
May the gifts we have received in this life
lead us to the gift of eternal joy.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

The deacon:

The Holy Father will now impart his Apostolic Blessing.
He intends to bless all religious articles which the faithful
have brought for that purpose.

In particular he will bless three objects which are
found on the platform below the papal altar: the new
cornerstone and tabernacle of Pope John Paul the Great
Catholic High School in the Diocese of Arlington, Virginia;
and the cornerstone of the new chapel of Thomas Aquinas
College in Santa Paula, California.

FINAL BLESSING

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

The deacon:

Bow your heads and pray for God’s blessing.
The Holy Father:

The Father of light
has enlightened the minds of the disciples
by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.
May he bless you
and give you the gifts of the Spirit for ever.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father:

May that fire which hovered over the disciples
as tongues of flame
burn out all evil from your hearts
and make them glow with pure light.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father:

God inspired speech in different tongues
to proclaim one faith.
May he strengthen your faith
and fulfill your hope of seeing him face to face.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father:

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
April 18, 2008
Friday
6:00 pm

NEW YORK, NEW YORK
THE PARISH OF SAINT JOSEPH

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE
GREETING

The Holy Father:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Peace be with you.

R. And also with you.

WELCOME

The Most Reverend Dennis J. Sullivan, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, greets the Holy Father in the name of all present. All stand for the opening hymn.
HYMN

Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether

1. Draw us in the Spirit’s tether. For when
2. As disciples used to gather In the
3. All our meals and all our living Make as

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether. For when
name of Christ to sup, Then with
sacraments of you, That by
three are met together, You are in the
caring, helping, giving, We may be dis-

Touch we now your garment’s hem.
So now bind our friendship up.
We will serve with faith anew.

At the conclusion of the hymn, all remain standing for the opening prayer.

OPENING PRAYER

The Holy Father:

Let us pray.

Lord God,
whose blessings reach to the ends of the earth,
you show us your love
in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus,
our Savior and Lord.
Confirm us in our common faith
and heal the differences among us,
so that we may walk together with you
and with one another.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

READING

Ephesians 4:1-6

The reading is proclaimed at the ambo.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

One Body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Brothers and sisters:
I, a prisoner for the Lord,
urge you to live in a manner worthy
of the call you have received,
with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace; one Body and one Spirit, as you were called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

ADDRESS OF THE HOLY FATHER
The Holy Father addresses the assembly from his chair.

A choral interlude follows.

THE LORD’S PRAYER
All stand, and the Holy Father sings:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

He extends his hands and continues with the people:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
CONCLUDING RITE

The Holy Father:

May the gifts of God unite us
in faith, hope, and love
now and for ever.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father sings:

May almighty God bless you,
the * Father, and the * Son, and the * Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

A musical interlude follows as Cardinal Edward Egan presents a number of ecumenical leaders to the Holy Father.

RECESSIONAL

While the hymn is sung by all, the Holy Father and Cardinal Edward Egan process down the aisle and exit the Church.

Escorted by a master of ceremonies, the papal entourage leads the other members of the Roman Catholic hierarchy and Christian religious leaders in the recessional.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK
The Cathedral of Saint Patrick

CELEBRATION OF
THE EUCHARIST
Votive Mass for the Universal Church
THE ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

After the people have assembled, the Holy Father and the ministers go to the altar while the entrance song is being sung.

When the Holy Father comes to the altar, he makes the customary reverence with the ministers and kisses the altar. He incenses the altar. Then, with the ministers, he goes to the chair.

GREETING

After the entrance song, the Holy Father and the assembled faithful remain standing. The Holy Father says:

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Peace be with you.

R. And also with you.

WELCOME

Cardinal Edward Egan, Archbishop of New York, welcomes the Holy Father.
PENITENTIAL RITE
The Holy Father introduces the celebration and the penitential rite:

Dear friends in the Lord,

It is with great joy that I celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with you here in New York City in this beautiful Cathedral of the Archdiocese of New York. May our coming together in prayer renew us in the hope and love of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

To prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

After a moment of silence, the Holy Father leads the Confiteor:

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault

All strike their breast.

in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;

and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The Holy Father:

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

KYRIE
The Kyrie is sung by the choir and the people.

GLORIA
The Gloria is intoned by the Holy Father and then sung by the choir.

The Holy Father:

Gló-ri- a in excélsis De- o.
OPENING PRAYER

The Holy Father:

Let us pray.

God our Father, may your Church always be your holy people, united as you are one with the Son and the Holy Spirit. May it be for all the world a sign of your unity and holiness, as it grows to perfection in your love.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.
LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11

A reader proclaims the first reading in Spanish from the ambo.

Lectura del libro de los Hechos de los Apóstoles

Se llenaron todos del Espíritu Santo y empezaron a hablar en otros idiomas.

El día de Pentecostés, todos los discípulos estaban reunidos en un mismo lugar. De repente se oyó un gran ruido que venía del cielo, como cuando sopla un viento fuerte, que resonó por toda la casa donde se encontraban. Entonces aparecieron lenguas de fuego, que se distribuyeron y se posaron sobre ellos; se llenaron todos del Espíritu Santo y empezaron a hablar en otros idiomas, según el Espíritu los inducía a expresarse.

En esos días había en Jerusalén judíos devotos, venidos de todas partes del mundo. Al oír el ruido, acudieron en masa y quedaron desconcertados, porque cada uno los oía hablar en su propio idioma.

Atónitos y llenos de admiración, preguntaban: “¿No son galileos todos estos que están hablando? ¿Cómo, pues, los oímos hablar en nuestra lengua nativa? Entre nosotros hay medos, partos y elamitas; otros vivimos en Mesopotamia, Judea, Capadocia, en el Ponto y en Asia, en Frigia y en Panfilia, en Egipto o en la zona de Libia que


Response

Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lorn, my God, you are great indeed! You are clothed with majesty and glory, robed in light as with a cloak. R.

How manifold are your works, O Lord! in wisdom you have wrought them all—the earth is full of your creatures; bless the Lord, O my soul! Alleluia! R.

Bendice, alma miá, al Señor ¡Dios mío, qué grande eres! Te vistes de belleza y majestad.

Cuántas son tus obras, Señor y todos las hiciste con sabiduría la tierra está llena de tus criaturas Bendice, alma miá, al Señor. R.
SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

A reader proclaims the second reading in English from the ambo.

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

In the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The deacon:

The Lord be with you.

R. And also with you.

* A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

R. Glory to you, Lord.
Jesus said to his disciples:

“When the Advocate comes whom I will send you
from the Father,
the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the Father,
he will testify to me.
And you also testify,
because you have been with me from the beginning.
“I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now.
But when he comes, the Spirit of truth,
he will guide you to all truth.
He will not speak on his own,
but he will speak what he hears,
and will declare to you the things that are coming.
He will glorify me,
because he will take from what is mine and
declare it to you.
Everything that the Father has is mine;
for this reason I told you that he will take from
what is mine
and declare it to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The deacon carries the Book of the Gospels to the Holy Father, who kisses it
and blesses the gathered assembly with it.

HOMILY

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

The Holy Father:

My brothers and sisters,
rejoicing in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead,
let us turn to God our Father in prayer.

R. Lord, hear our prayer;
Deus, exaudi nos;
Señor, escúchanos.

Six selected men and women in consecrated life each announce an
intention.

Reader: 1. For our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, and
for our cardinals and bishops: that the Holy
Spirit will guide them with wisdom and
strength to proclaim the Gospel of Christ to
the world in truth and in love; let us pray to
the Lord. R.

Reader: 2. For our religious and diocesan priests:
that they will be strong in faith, hope, and
love and remain zealous in their priestly
ministry in justice and the holiness of truth;
let us pray to the Lord. R.
3. For our deacons: that they exercise their ministry of service modeled after Jesus Christ, who came not to be served but to serve; let us pray to the Lord. R.

4. For our religious brothers and sisters who minister so faithfully in our society: that they continue to work tirelessly for peace and justice as they mature in holiness and grow in numbers; let us pray to the Lord. R.

5. For families everywhere: that they be a reflection of the loving covenant uniting Christ and the Church, and foster vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life; let us pray to the Lord. R.

6. For all who have died marked with the sign of faith, especially our brothers and sisters in the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life: that they may attain the fullness of life in the Kingdom of heaven; let us pray to the Lord. R.

The Holy Father sings:

Loving Father, you know the many different needs your people have in this life.

Hear us and answer the prayers of all who believe in you.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Loving Father, you know the many different needs your people have in this life.
Hear us and answer the prayers of all who believe in you.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.
Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

The Holy Father, standing at the altar, takes the paten with the bread and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, says inaudibly:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Then he places the paten with the bread on the corporal. The deacon pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying inaudibly:

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Then the Holy Father takes the chalice and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, says inaudibly:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.

Then he places the chalice on the corporal. He bows and says inaudibly:

Lord God, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.

The Holy Father incenses the gifts, altar, and cross. Afterwards the deacon incenses the Holy Father and the people. The Holy Father stands at the side of the altar and washes his hands, saying inaudibly:

Lord, wash away my iniquity; cleanse me from my sin.

Standing at the center of the altar, facing the people, the Holy Father extends and then joins his hands, saying:

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.
PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

The Holy Father:

Lord, we celebrate this memorial of the love of your Son.

May his saving work bring salvation to the world through the ministry of your Church.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.
Eucharistic Prayer

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
R.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right to give him thanks and praise.
PREFAE

The Holy Father:

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We praise you with greater joy than ever in this Easter season, when Christ became our paschal sacrifice. In him a new age has dawned, the long reign of sin is ended, a broken world has been renewed, and man is once again made whole.

The joy of the resurrection renews the whole world, while the choirs of heaven sing for ever to your glory:

The choir and the assembly sing the Sanctus:

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt cæli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.
Eucharistic Prayer I

The Holy Father, with hands extended, says:

We come to you, Father, with praise and thanksgiving, through Jesus Christ, your Son.

He joins his hands and, making the sign of the cross over both bread and chalice, says:

Through him, we ask you to accept and bless these gifts we offer you in sacrifice.

With hands extended, he continues:

We offer them for your holy catholic Church, watch over it, Lord, and guide it; grant it peace and unity throughout the world. We offer them for me, your unworthy servant, and my brother Edward, the Bishop of this Church of New York and for all who hold and teach the catholic faith that comes to us from the apostles.

COMMEMORATION OF THE LIVING

A concelebrant, with hands extended, says:

Remember, Lord, your people, especially those for whom we now pray.

He prays for them briefly with hands joined. Then, with hands extended, he continues:

Remember all of us gathered here before you. You know how firmly we believe in you and dedicate ourselves to you. We offer you this sacrifice of praise for ourselves and those who are dear to us. We pray to you, our living and true God, for our well being and redemption.

Another concelebrant, with hands extended, says:

In union with the whole Church we honor Mary, the ever-virgin mother of Jesus Christ our Lord and God. We honor Joseph, her husband, the apostles and martyrs Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon, and Jude; we honor Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian and all the saints. May their merits and prayers gain us your constant help and protection.
With hands extended, the Holy Father continues:

**Father, accept this offering**
from your whole family.
Grant us your peace in this life,
save us from final damnation,
and count us among those you have chosen.

He joins his hands and, with the concelebrants, holds them outstretched over the offerings, saying:

**Bless and approve our offering:**
make it acceptable to you,
an offering in spirit and in truth.
Let it become for us
the body and blood of Jesus Christ
your only Son, our Lord.

The Holy Father joins his hands and continues:

**The day before he suffered,**
He takes the bread and, raising it a little above the altar, continues:

**he took bread in his sacred hands**
He looks upward.

and looking up to heaven,
to you, his almighty Father,
he gave you thanks and praise.
He broke the bread,
gave it to his disciples, and said:

He bows slightly, as the concelebrants extend their right hands:

**Take this, all of you, and eat it:**
this is my body
which will be given up for you.

He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.

Then he continues:

**When supper was ended,**
He takes the chalice and, raising it a little above the altar, continues:

**he took the cup.**
Again he gave you thanks and praise,
gave the cup to his disciples, and said:

He bows slightly, as the concelebrants extend their right hands:

**Take this, all of you, and drink from it:**
this is the cup of my blood,
the blood of the new and everlasting covenant.
It will be shed for you and for all
so that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in memory of me.
He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration.

The Holy Father:

\[\text{Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.}\]

The people with the Holy Father and the concelebrants:

R. Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

With hands extended, the Holy Father and concelebrants say:

Father, we celebrate the memory of Christ your Son. We, your people and your ministers, recall his passion, his resurrection from the dead, and his ascension into glory; and from the many gifts you have given to us we offer to you, God of glory and majesty, this holy and perfect sacrifice: the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation. Look with favor on these offerings and accept them as once you accepted the gifts of your servant Abel, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the bread and wine offered by your priest Melchisedech.

Bowing, with hands joined, the Holy Father and the concelebrants continue:

Almighty God, we pray that your angel may take this sacrifice to your altar in heaven. Then, as we receive from this altar the sacred body and blood of your Son,

The Holy Father and the concelebrants stand up straight and make the sign of the cross, saying:

let us be filled with every grace and blessing.

COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD

A concelebrant, with hands extended:

Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially those for whom we now pray.

He prays for them briefly with joined hands. Then, with hands extended, he continues:

May these, and all who sleep in Christ, find in your presence light, happiness, and peace.
Another concelebrant, with hands extended:

*For ourselves, too, we ask*

some share in the fellowship of your apostles and martyrs,
with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia and all the saints.

All strike their breast with their right hands, and the concelebrant says:

*Though we are sinners,*

*we trust in your mercy and love.*

With hands extended as before, he continues:

*Do not consider what we truly deserve,*

*but grant us your forgiveness.*

The concelebrant joins his hands.

*Through Christ our Lord.*

The Holy Father alone:

*Through him you give us all these gifts.*

You fill them with life and goodness, you bless them and make them holy.
COMMUNION RITE

LORD’S PRAYER

The Holy Father and the deacon place the chalice and paten on the altar.

With hands joined, the Holy Father sings:

Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
With hands extended, the Holy Father continues alone:

\[\text{Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day.}\]

\[\text{In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.}\]

He joins his hands.

**DOXOLOGY**

The people end the prayer with the acclamation:

\[\text{For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.}\]
PRIVATE PREPARATION

The Holy Father joins his hands and says inaudibly:

_Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,_
_by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit your death brought life to the world._
_By your holy body and blood free me from all my sins, and from every evil._
_Keep me faithful to your teaching, and never let me be parted from you._

Or:

_Lord Jesus Christ, with faith in your love and mercy I eat your body and drink your blood._
_Let it not bring me condemnation, but health in mind and body._

COMMUNION

The Holy Father genuflects. Taking the host, he raises it slightly over the paten and, facing the people, says aloud:

_This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world._
_Happy are those who are called to his supper._

He adds with the people:

_Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed._

Then the Holy Father says inaudibly:

**May the body of Christ bring me to everlasting life.**

He reverently consumes the body of Christ. Then he takes the chalice and says inaudibly:

**May the blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life.**

He reverently drinks the blood of Christ.

After this he takes the paten and goes to the deacons and then the communicants. He takes a host for each one, raises it a little, and shows it, saying:

**The body of Christ.**

The communicant answers:

Amen.

and receives communion.

COMMUNION SONG

As all go to receive communion, appropriate hymns are sung by the choir and people.
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Holy Father, with hands joined, sings:

Let us pray.

He extends his hands and prays:

God our Father, you comfort and encourage your Church in this sacrament; keep us faithful to Christ that our work on earth may build your eternal kingdom in freedom.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Let us pray.
God our Father,
you comfort and encourage your Church in this sacrament;
keep us faithful to Christ that our work on earth may build your eternal kingdom in freedom.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

FINAL BLESSING

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.

All:
And also with you.

The deacon:
Bow your heads and pray for God’s blessing.
Through the resurrection of his Son
God has redeemed you and made you his children.
May he bless you with joy.
R. Amen.

The Redeemer has given you lasting freedom.
May you inherit his everlasting life.
R. Amen.

By your faith you rose with him in baptism.
May your lives be holy,
so that you will be united with him for ever.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father:

Through the resurrection of his Son God has redeemed you and
made you his children. May he bless you with joy.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father:

The redeemer has given you lasting freedom.
May you inherit his everlasting life.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father:

By your faith you rose with him in baptism.
May your lives be holy, so that you will be united with him for ever.
R. Amen.
May almighty God bless you,  
the ☆ Father, and the ☆ Son, and the ☆ Holy Spirit.  
R. Amen.

DISMISSAL

The deacon:  
The Mass is ended. Go in peace.  
R. Thanks be to God.

The Holy Father kisses the altar as at the beginning. Then he makes the customary reverence with the ministers and leaves.
April 19, 2008
Saturday
4:30 PM

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SAINT JOSEPH SEMINARY

MEETING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE HAVING DISABILITIES
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ARRIVAL
The Holy Father arrives at the main doors of Saint Joseph’s Seminary. He is greeted by Cardinal Edward Egan and the Most Reverend Gerald Walsh, Rector, and is escorted into the Seminary Chapel, where he takes his seat.

WELCOME
A young person welcomes the Holy Father in the name of those present. Two young people then present the Holy Father with a framed drawing.
APOSTOLIC BLESSING

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

Blessed be the name of the Lord.
R. Now and for ever.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
R. Who made heaven and earth.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

HYMN

The Archdiocesan Deaf Choir, located in the sanctuary to the left of the Holy Father, signs the hymn while all others sing:

Take, Lord, Receive

Verse 1

1. Take, Lord, receive all my liberty, my memory, understanding, my entire will. Give me only your love and your grace: that's enough for me.

Verse 2

2. Take, Lord, receive all I have and possess. You have given all to me; now I return it.

Verse 3

3. Take, Lord, receive, all is yours now; dispose of it wholly according to your will.
PERSONAL GREETING
The Holy Father, escorted by Cardinal Egan, walks down one side of the center aisle and then up the other side, greeting the young people and their caregivers.

RECESSIONAL
Cardinal Egan and Bishop Walsh escort the Holy Father down the center aisle, through the chapel doors, to the main doors of the Seminary.
MEETING WITH YOUTH AND SEMINARIANS

ARRIVAL
The Holy Father ascends the stage from the rear of the platform and takes his seat.

GREETING
Cardinal Edward Egan greets the Holy Father from the podium.

WELCOME
Three representatives from among the youth welcome the Holy Father from the podium.

First Representative:
We, the youth of the Archdiocese of New York and beyond, are delighted to welcome Your Holiness to this community of faith, composed of an extraordinarily diverse population from urban, suburban, and rural areas. You honor us with your presence.

In Slavic nations, there is a tradition of welcoming distinguished guests with bread. It is a staple food that, along with rice and maize, nourishes human life across
the world. In our Catholic tradition, bread goes beyond merely nourishing the body. Jesus is our Bread of Life, the one who sustains us as we journey in hope.

Holy Father, in welcoming you, we, the youth gathered here today, offer you our bread, rice, and maize. Together they symbolize the rich cultural backgrounds and traditions of all of us.

Second Representative:
Holy Father, we are honored to present you with—

Dark bread, rye bread, and brown bread, characteristic of the nations of Eastern Europe;
White bread, characteristic of the nations of Western Europe, North America, and Oceania;
Rice, characteristic of the nations of Africa and Asia;
Unleavened bread, characteristic of the nations of the Middle East and parts of Asia; and
Maize, characteristic of the nations of Africa and North, Central, and South America.

Along with all of these, we share with you our lives, and we open wide our hearts.

The breads, rice, and maize are presented to the Holy Father by ten representative youth, two from each of the five aforementioned groups. Some are dressed in their traditional national costumes.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE HOLY FATHER’S BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY OF ELECTION

Third Representative:
Holy Father, we rejoice with you as you celebrate your birthday and the anniversary of your election as the Vicar of Christ this week.

A small band, which is already in place on the stage, accompanies the youth as they sing “Happy Birthday” in German to the Holy Father and wave yellow and white scarves. The words are on the jumbo screens with the phonetic pronunciation of the German.

As this is being sung, four girls and four boys present birthday gifts to the Holy Father. They include the following: a spiritual bouquet; a copy of a book used in Catholic schools throughout the state, entitled Empire State Catholics: A History of the Catholic Community in New York State; and images of six individuals who were born in or served in New York and who have been declared saints, blessed, or venerables by the Church. As each image is held up for the Holy Father and youth to see, a brief statement is made. Following each, the image is placed on an easel situated on the stage.

After the statements, the Third Representative continues:
Holy Father, with all the love and joy in our hearts, we present you with a special anniversary gift in song.

Songs are sung by the youth, led by musicians from Communion and Liberation.
ADDRESS

The Holy Father addresses the youth from his seat.

LITANY OF THE SAINTS

The Holy Father:

In thanksgiving to God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
let us pray together this litany
in honor of the saints he has given us
as examples of steadfast love and fidelity.

The litany is then sung by all.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

The Holy Father:

Dear young friends,
in union with all the holy men and women of
this country,
in the Spirit of the Risen Christ,
let us joyfully lift up our hearts and pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
INTRODUCTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE TO THE HOLY FATHER

Cardinal Egan presents to the Holy Father at his seat fifteen young people, including two seminarians and two religious, who are in formation programs. During the greeting, a band plays instrumental music.

SOLEMN BLESSING

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
R. Amen.

May his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
R. Amen.

May he look upon you with kindness, and give you his peace.
R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

CLOSING SONG AND DEPARTURE

After the singing of the Ave Maria, the Holy Father is escorted by his master of ceremonies to the end of each platform in order to bless the young people. The Holy Father then exits through the back of the stage and returns to the Popemobile, which takes him to his motorcade in front of the Seminary building.

Cardinal Egan, the members of the papal entourage, and the visiting bishops depart from the back of the stage, accompanied by masters of ceremonies.
April 20, 2008
Sunday
9:30 AM

NEW YORK, NEW YORK
SITE OF THE FORMER
WORLD TRADE CENTER

PRAYER SERVICE AT
GROUND ZERO
ARRIVAL
The Holy Father is escorted to the carpet by Cardinal Edward Egan.

SILENT PRAYER AND CANDLE LIGHTING
The Holy Father kneels for a few moments of silent prayer. He then lights a candle brought to him by an employee of the Port Authority.

PRAYER
The Holy Father:

O God of love, compassion, and healing,
look on us, people of many different faiths and traditions,
who gather today at this site,
the scene of incredible violence and pain.
We ask you in your goodness
to give eternal light and peace
to all who died here—
the heroic first-responders:
our fire fighters, police officers,
emergency service workers, and
Port Authority personnel,
along with all the innocent men and women
who were victims of this tragedy
simply because their work or service
brought them here on September 11, 2001.

We ask you, in your compassion
to bring healing to those
who, because of their presence here that day,
suffer from injuries and illness.
Heal, too, the pain of still-grieving families
and all who lost loved ones in this tragedy.
Give them strength to continue their lives
with courage and hope.

We are mindful as well
of those who suffered death, injury, and loss
on the same day at the Pentagon and in
Shanksville, Pennsylvania.
Our hearts are one with theirs
as our prayer embraces their pain and suffering.

God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world:
peace in the hearts of all men and women
and peace among the nations of the earth.
Turn to your way of love
those whose hearts and minds
are consumed with hatred.

God of understanding,
overwhelmed by the magnitude of this tragedy,
we seek your light and guidance
as we confront such terrible events.
Grant that those whose lives were spared
may live so that the lives lost here
may not have been lost in vain.
Comfort and console us,
strengthen us in hope,
and give us the wisdom and courage
to work tirelessly for a world
where true peace and love reign
among nations and in the hearts of all.

At the conclusion of the prayer, the Holy Father is handed an aspergillum.
He blesses the ground in all four directions.
SOLEMN BLESSING

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
R. Amen.

May his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
R. Amen.

May he look upon you with kindness,
and give you his peace.
R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you,
the * Father, and the * Son, and the * Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

April 20, 2008
Sunday
2:30 PM

BRONX, NEW YORK
YANKEE STADIUM

CELEBRATION OF
THE EUCHARIST
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Commemorating the Bicentennial Anniversaries of
The Archdiocese of Baltimore • The Archdiocese of Boston
The Archdiocese of Louisville • The Archdiocese of New York
The Archdiocese of Philadelphia
THE ORDER OF MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

After the people have assembled, the Holy Father and the ministers go to the altar while the entrance song is being sung.

When the Holy Father comes to the altar, he makes the customary reverence with the ministers and kisses the altar. He incenses the altar. Then, with the ministers, he goes to the chair.

GREETING

After the entrance song, the Holy Father and the assembled faithful remain standing. The Holy Father says:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

Peace be with you.

R. And also with you.
WELCOME
Cardinal Edward Egan, Archbishop of New York, welcomes the Holy Father.

PENITENTIAL RITE
The Holy Father introduces the celebration and the penitential rite:

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:
It is a joy for me to be here with you in New York to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.
As we celebrate the bicentennial anniversaries of the Archdioceses of Baltimore, Boston, Louisville, New York, and Philadelphia, may our Eucharist renew and strengthen all of the communities of faith in the Catholic Church throughout the United States.

Coming together as God’s family, with confidence let us ask the Father’s forgiveness, for he is full of gentleness and compassion.

After a moment of silence, the Holy Father leads the Confiteor:

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault...
OPENING PRAYER

The Holy Father:

Let us pray.

God our Father, look upon us with love. You redeem us and make us your children in Christ. Give us true freedom and bring us to the inheritance you promised.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.
FIRST READING  
*Acts 6:1-7*

A reader proclaims the first reading in English from the ambo.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

_They chose seven men filled with the Spirit._

As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, “It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles who prayed and laid hands on them.

The word of God continued to spread, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly; even a large group of priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

The word of the Lord.

_R._ Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  
*Psalm 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19*

Response

Exult, you just, in the LORD; praise from the upright is fitting. Give thanks to the LORD on the harp; with the ten-stringed lyre chant his praises. _R._
La palabra del Señor es sincera
y todas sus acciones son leales;
el ama la justicia y el derecho,
y su misericordia llena la tierra. R.

See, the eyes of the Lord are upon those who fear him,
upon those who hope for his kindness,
to deliver them from death
and preserve them in spite of famine. R.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2:4-9
A reader proclaims the second reading in Spanish from the ambo.

Lectura de la primera carta del apóstol san Pedro

Ustedes son estirpe elegida, sacerdocio real.

Hermanos: Acérquense al Señor Jesús, la piedra viva, rechazada por los hombres, pero escogida y preciosa a los ojos de Dios; porque ustedes también son piedras vivas, que van entrando en la edificación del templo espiritual, para formar un sacerdocio santo, destinado a ofrecer sacrificios espirituales, agradables a Dios, por medio de Jesucristo. Tengan presente que está escrito: He aquí que pongo en Sión una piedra angular, escogida y preciosa; el que crea en ella no quedará defraudado.

Dichosos, pues, ustedes, los que han creído. En cambio, para aquellos que se negaron a creer, vale lo que dice la Escritura: La piedra que rechazaron los constructores ha llegado a ser la piedra angular, y también tropiezo y roca de escándalo. Tropiezan en ella los que no creen en la palabra, y en esto se cumple un designio de Dios.

Ustedes, por el contrario, son estirpe elegida, sacerdocio real, nación consagrada a Dios y pueblo de su propiedad, para que proclamen las obras maravillosas de aquel que los llamó de las tinieblas a su luz admirable.

Palabra de Dios.
R. Te alabamos, Señor.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
GOSPEL

John 14:1-12

The deacon:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

R. Glory to you, Lord.

I am the way and the truth and the life.

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You have faith in God; have faith also in me.
In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places.
If there were not,
would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?
And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come back again and take you to myself,
so that where I am you also may be.
Where I am going you know the way.”
Thomas said to him,
“Master, we do not know where you are going;
how can we know the way?”
Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me.
HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Holy Father intones the Creed:

Credo in unum Deum.

All:

Patrem omnipotentem, factorem caeli et terrae.
visibilium omnium et invisibilium.
Et in unum Dominum Iesum Christum,
Filium Dei unigenitum
et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula:
Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine, Deum vero de Deo vero,
genitum, non factum, consubstantialem Patri:
per quem omnia facta sunt.
Qui propter nos homines et propter nostram salutem,
descendit de caelis.
Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto
ex Maria Virgine, et homo factus est.
Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato;
passus et sepultus est,
et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas,
et ascendit in caelum, sedet ad dexteram Patris.
Et iterum venturus est cum gloria, iudicare vivos et mortuos,
cuius regni non erit finis.

Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem:
qui ex Pater Filioque procedit.
Qui cum Patre et Filio simul adoratur et conglorificatur:
qui locutus est per prophetas.
Et unam sanctam catholicam et apostolicam Ecclesiam.
Confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum.
Et exspecto resurrectionem mortuorum,
et vitam venturi saeculi.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

The Holy Father:

My brothers and sisters,
confident in the Father's care for us
and rejoicing in the resurrection of Jesus,
his well-beloved Son,
with faith and hope,
let us place our needs before him.

R. Lord, hear our prayer;
Deus, exaudi nos;
Señor, escúchanos.

Reader: 1. For our Holy Father, Pope Benedict, our
bishops, priests, deacons, and religious,
and for all God's people: that they may
faithfully follow Jesus, who is the way, the
truth, and the life; let us pray to the Lord. R/.
Reader: 2. For the Archdioceses of Baltimore, Boston, Louisville, New York, and Philadelphia, which are celebrating their bicentennial anniversaries: that they may be beacons of hope and light to the communities that they serve; let us pray to the Lord. R.

Reader: 3. For all of the peoples of the world, especially those who suffer from war and persecution: that they may come to enjoy the blessings of peace; let us pray to the Lord. R.

Reader: 4. For the most vulnerable among us—the unborn, children, frail, elderly, and all who depend on the love and assistance of others: that they may benefit from the compassionate care of those who follow Christ; let us pray to the Lord. R.

Reader: 5. For those who are being called by God to serve him in the priesthood and religious life: that they may respond with generosity, courage, and loving hearts; let us pray to the Lord. R.

Reader: 6. For the sick and those who suffer in mind and body: that they may recognize in their pain a bond with the Savior and unite their suffering with his for the salvation of the world; let us pray to the Lord. R.

Reader: 7. For the departed, especially our immigrant ancestors and those who built and sustained our communities of faith: that they may find eternal happiness in the home God has prepared for them and that we may one day be reunited with them for all eternity; let us pray to the Lord. R.
The Holy Father:

Heavenly Father, you have given us abundant gifts, and above all, your Son, the greatest of gifts. As we seek your help in our need, may Jesus who is our way, our truth and our life, inspire our faith and give hope and courage.

We make this prayer through the same Christ our Lord.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life.

Then he places the paten with the bread on the corporal. The deacon pours wine and a little water into the chalice, saying inaudibly:

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Then the Holy Father takes the chalice and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, says inaudibly:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink.
Then he places the chalice on the corporal. He bows and says inaudibly:

**Lord God, we ask you to receive us and be pleased with the sacrifice we offer you with humble and contrite hearts.**

The Holy Father incenses the gifts, altar, and cross. Afterwards the deacon incenses the Holy Father and the people. The Holy Father stands at the side of the altar and washes his hands, saying inaudibly:

**Lord, wash away my iniquity; cleanse me from my sin.**

Standing at the center of the altar, facing the people, the Holy Father extends and then joins his hands, saying:

**Pray, my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.**

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

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**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**

The Holy Father:

Lord God, by this holy exchange of gifts you share with us your divine life. Grant that everything we do may be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

R. Amen.
Eucharistic Prayer

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right to give him thanks and praise.
PREFACE

The Holy Father:

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We praise you with greater joy than ever in this Easter season, when Christ became our paschal sacrifice.

As he offered his body on the cross, his perfect sacrifice fulfilled all others. As he gave himself into your hands for our salvation, he showed himself to be the priest, the altar, and the lamb of sacrifice.

The joy of the resurrection renews the whole world, while the choirs of heaven sing for ever to your glory:

The choir and the assembly sing the *Sanctus*:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.
Eucharistic Prayer I

The Holy Father, with hands extended, says:

We come to you, Father,
with praise and thanksgiving,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

He joins his hands and, making the sign of the cross once over both bread
and chalice, says:

Through him we ask you to accept and bless these gifts we offer you in sacrifice.

With hands extended, he continues:

We offer them for your holy catholic Church,
watch over it, Lord, and guide it;
grant it peace and unity throughout the world.
We offer them for me, your unworthy servant,
and my brother Edward, the Bishop of this Church of New York,
and for all who hold and teach the catholic faith that comes to us from the apostles.

COMMEMORATION OF THE LIVING

A concelebrant, with hands extended, says:

Remember, Lord, your people,
especially those for whom we now pray.

He prays for them briefly with hands joined. Then, with hands extended, he continues:

Remember all of us gathered here before you.
You know how firmly we believe in you and dedicate ourselves to you.
We offer you this sacrifice of praise for ourselves and those who are dear to us.
We pray to you, our living and true God, for our well-being and redemption.

Another concelebrant, with hands extended, says:

In union with the whole Church we honor Mary,
the ever-virgin mother of Jesus Christ our Lord and God.
We honor Joseph, her husband,
the apostles and martyrs Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip,
Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon, and Jude;
we honor Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian and all the saints.
May their merits and prayers gain us your constant help and protection.
With hands extended, the Holy Father continues:

**Father, accept this offering**  
from your whole family.  
Grant us your peace in this life,  
save us from final damnation,  
and count us among those you have chosen.

He joins his hands and, with the concelebrants, holds them outstretched over the offerings, saying:

**Bless and approve our offering;**  
make it acceptable to you,  
an offering in spirit and in truth.  
Let it become for us  
the body and blood of Jesus Christ,  
your only Son, our Lord.

The Holy Father joins his hands and continues:

**The day before he suffered,**  
He takes the bread and, raising it a little above the altar, continues:

**he took bread in his sacred hands**

He looks upward.  
and looking up to heaven,  
to you, his almighty Father,  
he gave you thanks and praise.  
He broke the bread,  
gave it to his disciples, and said:

The Holy Father bows slightly, as the concelebrants extend their right hands:

**Take this, all of you, and eat it:**  
**this is my body**  
**which will be given up for you.**

He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.

Then he continues:

**When supper was ended,**  
He takes the chalice and, raising it a little above the altar, continues:

**he took the cup.**  
Again he gave you thanks and praise,  
gave the cup to his disciples, and said:

He bows slightly, as the concelebrants extend their right hands:

**Take this, all of you, and drink from it:**  
**this is the cup of my blood,**  
**the blood of the new and**  
**everlasting covenant.**  
**It will be shed for you and for all**  
**so that sins may be forgiven.**  
**Do this in memory of me.**
He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration.

The Holy Father:

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

The people with the Holy Father and the concelebrants:

R. Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

With hands extended, the Holy Father and all the concelebrants say:

Father, we celebrate the memory of Christ, your Son. We, your people and your ministers, recall his passion, his resurrection from the dead, and his ascension into glory; and from the many gifts you have given us we offer to you, God of glory and majesty, this holy and perfect sacrifice: the bread of life and the cup of eternal salvation.

Look with favor on these offerings and accept them as once you accepted the gifts of your servant Abel, the sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith, and the bread and wine offered by your priest Melchisedech.

Bowing, with hands joined, the Holy Father and the concelebrants continue:

Almighty God, we pray that your angel may take this sacrifice to your altar in heaven. Then, as we receive from this altar the sacred body and blood of your Son,

The Holy Father and the concelebrants stand up straight and make the sign of the cross, saying:

let us be filled with every grace and blessing.

COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD

A concelebrant, with hands extended:

Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially those for whom we now pray.
He prays for them briefly with joined hands. Then, with hands extended, he continues:

May these, and all who sleep in Christ, find in your presence light, happiness and peace.

Another concelebrant, with hands extended, says:

For ourselves, too, we ask some share in the fellowship of your apostles and martyrs, with John the Baptist, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia and all the saints.

All strike their breast with their right hands, and the concelebrant says:

Though we are sinners, we trust in your mercy and love.

With hands extended as before, he continues:

Do not consider what we truly deserve, but grant us your forgiveness

The concelebrant joins his hands.

through Christ our Lord.

The Holy Father alone:

Through him you give us all these gifts. You fill them with life and goodness, you bless them and make them holy.

The Holy Father takes the paten with the host and the deacon takes the chalice, and, as they lift them up, the Holy Father and all the concelebrants sing:

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.
COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

The Holy Father and the deacon place the chalice and paten on the altar. With hands joined, the Holy Father sings:

Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

He extends his hands and continues with the people:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day.
In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

He joins his hands.

DOXOLOGY
The people end the prayer with the acclamation:
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

SIGN OF PEACE
The Holy Father, with hands extended, says aloud:
Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you.
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom, where you live for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

The Holy Father:
The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. And also with you.

The deacon adds:
Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD
The Agnus Dei is sung by the choir.
Meanwhile, the Holy Father takes the consecrated host and breaks it over the paten. He places a small piece in the chalice, saying inaudibly:
May this mingling of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.
PRIVATE PREPARATION

The Holy Father joins his hands and says inaudibly:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,  
by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit your death brought life to the world.  
By your holy body and blood free me from all my sins, and from every evil.  
Keep me faithful to your teaching, and never let me be parted from you.

Or:

Lord Jesus Christ, with faith in your love and mercy  
I eat your body and drink your blood.  
Let it not bring me condemnation, but health in mind and body.

COMMUNION

The Holy Father genuflects. Taking the host, he raises it slightly over the paten and, facing the people, says aloud:

This is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to his supper.

He adds with the people:

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

Then the Holy Father says inaudibly:

May the body of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

He reverently drinks the body of Christ. Then he takes the chalice and says inaudibly:

May the blood of Christ bring me to everlasting life.

He reverently consumes the blood of Christ.

After this he takes the paten and goes to the deacons and then the communicants. He takes a host for each one, raises it a little, and shows it, saying:

The body of Christ.

The communicant answers:

Amen.

and receives communion.

COMMUNION SONG

As all go to receive communion, appropriate hymns are sung by the choir and people.
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
The Holy Father, with hands joined, sings:

Let us pray.

He extends his hands and prays:

Merciful Father, may these mysteries give us new purpose
and bring us to a new life in you.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

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may these mysteries give us new purpose
and bring us to a new life in you.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Concluding Rite

The deacon:
The Holy Father will now impart his Apostolic Blessing. He intends to bless all articles which the faithful have brought for that purpose.

In particular he will bless two objects which are found on the platform before the papal altar: a cornerstone for the bicentennial garden of the Cathedral of St. Patrick and a crucifix to be placed in the chapel of St. John Neumann Seminary residence.

FINAL BLESSING
The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.

R.

And also with you.

The deacon:
Bow your heads and pray for God’s blessing.
The Holy Father:

Through the resurrection of his Son God has redeemed you and made you his children.
May he bless you with joy.
R. Amen.

The Redeemer has given you lasting freedom.
May you inherit his everlasting life.
R. Amen.

By your faith you rose with him in baptism.
May your lives be holy, so that you will be united with him for ever.
R. Amen.
The Holy Father:

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son,
and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you,
the * Father, and the * Son, and the * Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

DISMISSAL

The deacon:

The Mass is ended. Go in peace.
R. Thanks be to God.

The Holy Father kisses the altar as at the beginning. Then he makes the customary reverence with the ministers and leaves.
**LORD’S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

**HAIL MARY**

Hail Mary, full of grace!
The Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.
GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen.

HAIL, HOLY QUEEN

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope!
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this our exile, show unto us
the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

REGINA CÆLI

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia:
for the Son you were privileged to bear, alleluia,
is risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
R. For the Lord is truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.
O God, who gave joy to the world through the
Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
grant, we beseech you, that through the intercession
of the Virgin Mary, his Mother, we may obtain the
joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ
our Lord.
R. Amen.
II. Blessings

PONTIFICAL BLESSING
The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

Blessed be the name of the Lord.
R. Now and for ever.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
R. Who made heaven and earth.

May almighty God bless you,
the ∗ Father, and the ∗ Son, and the ∗ Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

Or:

May the blessing of Almighty God,
the ∗ Father, and the ∗ Son, and the ∗ Holy Spirit,
come upon you and remain with you forever.
R. Amen.

SOLEMN BLESSING (BOOK OF NUMBERS)
The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
R. Amen.

May his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you.
R. Amen.

May he look upon you with kindness,
and give you his peace.
R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you,
the ∗ Father, and the ∗ Son, and the ∗ Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
SOLEMN BLESSING (PAULINE)

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

May the peace of God which is beyond all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE SICK (LONG FORM)

The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

May God the Father bless you.
R. Amen.

May God the Son comfort you.
R. Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit enlighten you.
R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
BLESSING OF THE SICK (SHORT FORM)
The Holy Father:

May the Lord Jesus Christ, who went about doing good and healing the sick, grant that you may return to health and be enriched by his blessings.
R. Amen.

BLESSING OF CHILDREN
The Holy Father:

May the Lord Jesus, who loved children, bless you and keep you in his love, now and for ever.
R. Amen.

BLESSING OF FAMILIES
The Holy Father:

The Lord be with you.
R. And also with you.

We bless your name, O Lord, for sending your own incarnate Son to become part of a family, so that, as he lived its life, he would experience its worries and its joys.

We ask you, Lord, to protect and watch over these families, so that in the strength of your grace their members may enjoy prosperity, possess the priceless gift of your peace, and, as the Church alive in the home, bear witness in this world to your glory.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
BLESSING OF ECUMENICAL GROUPS

Lord God,
whose blessings reach to the ends of the earth,
you show us your love
in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus,
our Savior and Lord.
Confirm us in our common faith
and heal the differences among us,
so that we may walk together with you
and with one another.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

III. Oraciones

PADRE NUESTRO

Padre nuestro, que estas en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre;
venga a nosotros tu reino;
hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día;
perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden;
no nos dejes caer en la tentación,
y líbranos del mal.
Amén.

AVE MARÍA

Dios te salve, María, llena eres de gracia;
el Señor es contigo.
Bendita tú eres entre todas las mujeres
y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre: Jesús.
Santa María, Madre de Dios,
ruega por nosotros, pecadores,
ahora y en la hora de nuestra muerte.
Amén.
GLORIA AL PADRE

Gloria al Padre y al Hijo y al Espíritu Santo:
como era en el principio, ahora y siempre,
y por los siglos de los siglos.
Amén.

SALVE REGINA

Dios te salve, Reina y Madre de misericordia,
vida, dulzura y esperanza nuestra; Dios te salve.
A ti llamamos los desterrados hijos de Eva;
a ti suspiramos, gimiendo y llorando
en este valle de lágrimas.
Ea, pues, Señora, abogada nuestra,
vuelve a nosotros esos tus ojos misericordiosos,
y después de este destierro,
uéstranos a Jesús, fruto bendito de tu vientre.
Oh clementísima, Oh piadosa, Oh dulce Virgen María.

Ruega por nosotros, santa Madre de Dios.
R. Para que seamos dignos de alcanzar las promesas de
nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

REGINA CÆLI

Reina del cielo alégrate; aleluya.
Porque el Señor a quien has merecido llevar; aleluya.
Ha resucitado según su palabra; aleluya.
Ruega al Señor por nosotros; aleluya.

Gózate y alégrate, Virgen María; aleluya.
R. Porque verdaderamente ha resucitado el Señor; aleluya.

Oremos.
Oh Dios, que por la resurrección de tu Hijo, nuestro
Señor Jesucristo, has llenado el mundo de alegría,
concédenos, por intercesión de su Madre, la Virgen
María, llegar a alcanzar los gozos eternos. Por
Jesucristo nuestro Señor.
R. Amén.
IV. Bendiciones

BENDICIÓN PONTIFICAL
El Santo Padre:

El Señor esté con vosotros.
R. Y con tu espíritu.

Bendito sea el nombre del Señor.
R. Ahora y por todos los siglos.

Nuestro auxilio es el nombre del Señor.
R. Que hizo el cielo y la tierra.

La bendición de Dios todopoderoso,
Padre ✠, Hijo ✠, y Espíritu ✠ Santo,
descienda sobre vosotros.
R. Amén.

BENDICIÓN SOLEMNE (LIBRO DE LOS NÚMEROS)
El Santo Padre:

El Señor esté con vosotros.
R. Y con tu espíritu.

El Señor os bendiga y os guarde.
R. Amén.

Haga brillar su rostro sobre vosotros
y os conceda su favor.
R. Amén.

Vuelva su mirada a vosotros
y os conceda la paz.
R. Amén.

Y la bendición de Dios todopoderoso,
Padre ✠, Hijo ✠, y Espíritu ✠ Santo,
descienda sobre vosotros.
R. Amén.
V. PRECES

PATER NOSTER

Pater noster, qui es in cælis:
sanctificetur nomen tuum;
adveniat regnum tuum;
fiat voluntas tua, sicut in caelo, et in terra.
Panem nostrum cuotidianum da nobis hodie;
et dimittte nobis debita nostra,
sicut et nos dimittimus debitóribus nostris;
et ne nos indúcias in tentationem;
sed líbera nos a malo.
Amen.

AVE MARIA

Ave María, grátia plena,
Dóminus tecum;
benedícta tu in mulieribus,
et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, Iesus.
Sancta María, Mater Dei,
ora pro nobis peccatóribus
nunc et in hora mortis nostræ.
Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glória Patri et Fílio et Spirítui Sancto:
sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper,
et in sæcula sæculórum.
Amen.

REGINA CÆLI

Regina cæli, lætáre, allelúia.
Quia quem meruísti portáre, allelúia.
Resurréxit sicut dixit, allelúia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, allelúia.

Gaude et lætáre, Virgo María, allelúia.
R. Quia surréxit Dóminus vere, allelúia.

Orémus.

Deus, qui per resurrectionem Fílii tui, Dómini nostri
Iesu Christi,
mundum lætificáre dignástus es: praesta, quæsumus;
út per eíus Genetrícem Vírginem Mariám,
perpétuæ capiámus gáudia vitæ.
Per eúndem Christum Dóminum nostrum.
R. Amen.
Salve Regina

Salve Regina, Mater Misericordiae,
vita dulcèdo et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamamus, exules illius Hevae.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum vale.
Eia ergo, advocata nostra,
illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte.
Et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei Genetrix.
R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

PONTIFICAL BLESSING

Summus Pontifex:

Dominus vobiscum.
R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Sit nomen Domini benedictum.
R. Ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum.

Adiutórium nostrum in nómine Domini.
R. Qui fecit caelum et terram.

Benedicat vos omnípotens Deus:
Pater *, et * Fílius, et Spíritus * Sanctus.
R. Amen.

Vel:

Et benédíctio Dei omnipoténtis:
Patris *, et * Fílii, et Spíritus * Sancti,
descéndat super vos et máneat semper.
R. Amen.
SOLEMN BLESSING (BOOK OF NUMBERS)

Summus Pontifex:

Dóminus vobiscum.
R. Et cum spíritu tuo.

Benedícat vobis Dóminus, et custódiat vos.
R. Amen.

Illúminet fáciem suam super vos, et misereátur vestri.
R. Amen.

Convértat vultum suum ad vos, et donet vobis suam pacem.
R. Amen.

Benedícat vos omnípotens Deus: Pater *, et * Fílius, et Spíritus * Sanctus.
R. Amen.

Vél:

Et benedício Dei omnipoténtis: Patris *, et * Fílli, et Spíritus * Sancti, descéndat super vos et máneat semper.
R. Amen.
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