

The Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from
heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius
Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with
the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and
the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness
of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

The following responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

And at the end

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake
of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and
praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through
Jesus Christ your Son.

For in these forty days you lead us into the desert of
repentance that through a pilgrimage of prayer and
discipline we may grow in grace and learn to be your
people once again. Through fasting, prayer and acts
of service you bring us back to your generous heart.
Through study of your holy word you open our eyes
to your presence in the world and free our hands to
welcome others into the radiant splendour of your
love. As we prepare to celebrate the Easter feast with
joyful hearts and minds we bless you for your mercy
and join with saints and angels for ever praising you
and *saying*:

**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.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and
according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and
wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord
Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was
betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke
it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this
is my body which is given for you; do this in
remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and
gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink
this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the
forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

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

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the
cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of
the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection
and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming
in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our
redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this
bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us
worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into
one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and
one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus
Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in
whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and
glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.