

**THE LITURGY OF THE MASS REFLECTED IN ST. JOHN'S VISION OF
DIVINE WORSHIP IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION**

| Celebration of the Mass Introductory Rites | Reference Verses in Revelation | John's Vision in Revelation |
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| Sunday Worship | 1:10 | John's visions of heavenly worship on the Lord's day (Sunday) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processional (presiding priest in liturgical garment), assisting ministers | 1:12-13 1:6; 4:4, 9-10; 5:6, 8-9, 14 | Christ our High Priest in liturgical garment. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entrance Antiphon | 4:8-11; 5:9-14; 7:10-12 | Antiphonal chant |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Priest reverences the altar, which represents the meeting place between man and God, by kissing the altar and with incense, if a High or Solemn Mass. He wears the appropriate vestments. | 6:9; 8:3-5; 9:13; 11:1; 14:18; 16:7 1:8; 4:2-3, 9; 5:1-13; 7:9-17; 19:4-9; 22:3-5 5:8; 8:3-5 1:12-13; 6:6, 11; 7:9, 13; 15:5-6; 19:8, 13-14 | Altar Worship in the presence of God Incense Liturgical vestments in the heavenly Sanctuary |
| Liturgical music and singing | 4:2-3; 5:9, 11-12; 14:2-4; 15:2-3 | Liturgical music and singing |
| Celibate clergy | 14:4-5 | Consecrated celibacy |
| Sanctuary/Tabernacle and presider's chair | 11:19; 14:15; 15:5 3:21; 4:2-10; 5:1-13; 6:16; 7:9-17; 8:3; 12:5; 14:3-5; 16:17; 19:4-5; 20:4, 11; 21:3, 5; 22:1, 3 | Sanctuary/Tabernacle Throne in the Sanctuary |
| Baptismal candle, Eucharistic candle, altar candles | 1:13; 2:5; 4:5 | Lampstands, (menorah) |
| Congregation of the priesthood of believers/ the Church | 1:6; 19:7-9; 20:6 | Priesthood of the Faithful |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign of the Cross and Greeting | 7:3; 14:1; 22:4 | Sign of the Cross (mark of the Lamb) |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rite of Blessing | 1:3; 14:13; 16:15; 19:9; 20:6; 22:7, 14 | Blessing |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Penitential Rite | Chapters 2 and 3 | Penitence |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Gloria • Opening Prayer | 15:3 - 4 4:11 | Gloria (hymn of the Lamb) Opening Prayer |

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| Liturgy of the Word | | |
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| Reading from the Word of God <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Reading: Old Testament • Responsorial Psalms • 2nd Reading: New Testament | 5:1- 8; 10:8; 20:12 2:1 – 3:22 1:7 (ref. Dan 7:13; Zc 12:10, 14) 12:1- 2, 6, 13-14 12:5 12:13 - 17 | Book or Scroll Messages from Christ Ref. Christ in O.T. Prominence of the Woman: The Virgin Mary, dau. of David & Old Covenant Mary the Mother of Christ, and Mother of the Church |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alleluia and Gospel | 19:1, 3, 4, 6 1:7-8 (Jn 19:34, 37) | Alleluia Gospel reference |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intercessions | 5:8; 6:9-10; 8:3 - 4 | Intercession of angels and saints |

| Celebration of the Mass Liturgy of the Eucharist | Reference Verses | John's Vision in Revelation |
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| Eucharistic Host | 2:17 | The Hidden Manna |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of the Gifts (the wine in chalices and the bread in bowls) | 15:7; ch. 16 (in Rev. = judgments; in Mass = to become gifts of grace) | Bowls/chalices |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eucharistic Prayer & intro. dialogue = command "Lift up your hearts" | 11:12 | Heavenly command: <i>I heard a loud voice from heaven say to them, 'Come up here'</i> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acclamation "Holy, Holy, Holy (worshippers kneel after the Sanctus) | 4:8 4:9-10 | Heavenly congregation sings: <i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i> , and worshippers kneel |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Great Amen • Communion Rite | 19:4; 22:21 5:6 | Great Amen Sacrificed Lamb in the Sanctuary |
| <i>Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world</i> | 5:6; entire book | Lamb of God |
| <i>This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his table</i> | 19:9; (all ch. 19) | Marriage Supper of the Lamb |
| Silent Contemplation | 8:1 | Silent Contemplation |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concluding Rites/ final blessing The Mass of the Catholic Church is celebrated around | 22:7 7:9-17 | Final Blessing Worldwide worship Catholic |

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| the world throughout every generation | | (Greek: <i>katholikos</i>) means “universal” |
| See Catechism of the Catholic Church references #s 1090; 1137-1139; 2642. M. Hunt copyright 2001 www.agapebiblestudy.com | | |