

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Act of Praise

TO God the Father, who first loved us and made us accepted in the Beloved; To God the Son, who loved us and washed us from our sins in his own Blood; To God the Holy Ghost, who sheds the love of God abroad in our hearts—Be all love, and all glory, for time and for eternity. Amen.

Act of Thanksgiving

WE thank thee, O God, for blessings without number which we have received from thee; chiefly for our creation, preservation and all the blessings of this life; but above all for the Redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for our regeneration by the Holy Ghost, and for our membership in the Catholic Church. Make our hearts more truly thankful. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Church

O GOD, whose glory fills the skies, I laud and praise thy Holy Name for all the blessings brought to me and to all men in

thy holy Church, especially within our own part of it; I bless thee for the gifts of faith, knowledge, and of a whole mind; for the grace of membership and the joy of fellowship; may the operation of thy Sacraments so knit us all to thee in grace that we may be able without fear or hesitation to behold thy wonders in nature. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A General Thanksgiving

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days. **Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Church's Hymn of Thanksgiving

Te Deum Laudamus

WE praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud; the Heavens, and all the Powers therein;

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;

The Father, of an infinite Majesty;

Thine adorable, true, and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of

death, thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints, in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.

Govern them, and lift them up forever.

Day by day we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us, as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

Ÿ. Let us bless the Father and the Son with the Holy Spirit.

R̄. Let us praise him and magnify him above all forever.

℣. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

℞. And worthy to be praised, and glorified, and magnified above all forever.

℣. O Lord, hear my prayer.

℞. And let my cry come unto thee.

℣. The Lord be with you.

℞. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O GOD, whose mercies are without number, and the treasure of whose goodness is infinite: we render thanks to thy most gracious majesty for the gifts thou hast bestowed upon us, evermore beseeching thy mercy; that like as thou dost grant the prayers of them that call upon thee, so thou wouldest not forsake them, but rather dispose their way towards the attainment of thy heavenly reward. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of Thanksgiving

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven, our Creator,
We praise thee.

God the Son, our Redeemer,
We bless thee.

God the Holy Ghost, our Sanctifier,
We adore thee.

Holy Trinity, One God, our first beginning
 and our last end,
We adore thee.

Holy Trinity, One God, our God and our
 All,
We give thee thanks for thy great glory.

For the revelation of thyself as our
 Father,

For the mission and Incarnation of
 the Word, for us men and for our
 salvation,

For the Nativity and divine infancy
 and hidden life of Jesus Christ,

For the public ministry and doctrine
 of Jesus, the Way, the Truth, and
 the Life,

For the bitter passion and life-giving
 death of Jesus,

For his glorious Resurrection and
 wonderful Ascension,

For the outpouring of the Holy Spirit
 on the Day of Pentecost,

We thank thee, O Lord.

For the institution of the seven holy sacraments whereby all men can be saved,

For the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit in the Holy Catholic Church,

For the real presence of Jesus Christ with us in the Blessed Sacrament till the end of time,

For the graces and glory of Mary, the Mother of God,

For the creation and glory and service of the Holy Angels in nine-fold hierarchy,

For the patience and love of the holy souls in Purgatory,

For all thy graces in the supernatural and natural order bestowed on us through and in Jesus Christ, our Lord, the Holy Ghost working them in us,

We thank thee, O Lord.

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

Hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of
the world,

Have mercy upon us.

Let us pray.

WE beseech thee, loving Father, to pour
into our hearts the grace of an
abounding gratitude; that we may ever
praise and glorify thee for the goodness and
mercy that have followed us all the days of
our life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

