

# Continuous Rite for Penance, Anointing of the Sick, and Viaticum

A. The peace of the Lord be with you always.B. Peace be with you (this house) and with all who live here

R. And with your spirit.

If Communion as Viaticum is celebrated during the rite, the priest then places the Blessed Sacrament on the table, and all join in adoration.

# A Matthew 11:28-30

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for your selves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

# B John 6:40

"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him (on) the last day."

C The priest may use the following instruction, or one better adapted to the sick person's condition: Beloved in Christ, the Lord Jesus is with us at all times, warming our hearts with his sacramental grace. Through his priests he forgives the sins of the repentant; he strengthens the sick through holy anointing; to all who watch for his coming, he gives the food of his Body and Blood to sustain them on their last journey, confirming their hope of eternal life. Our brother/sister has asked to receive these three sacraments: let us help him/her with our love and our prayers.

# SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

If the sick person so wishes, the sacrament of penance is celebrated; in case of necessity, the confession may be generic.

[Confession and absolution]

A My brothers and sisters, let us turn with confidence to the Lord and ask his forgiveness for all our sins.
B My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say: through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue: therefore 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.

B By your paschal mystery you have won for us salvation: Lord have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
You renew among us now the wonders of your passion: Christ have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
When we receive your body, you share with us your paschal sacrifice: Lord have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.

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

# APOSTOLIC PARDON

Through the holy mysteries of our redemption, may almighty God release you from all punishments in this life and in the life to come.

May he open to you the gates of paradise and welcome you to everlasting joy.

R. Amen.

[Per sancrosáncta humánæ reparatiónis mystéria, remíttat tibi omnípotens Deus omnes præséntis et futúræ vitæ pænas, paradísi portas apériat et ad gáudia te sempitérna perdúcat. R. Amen.]

B By the authority which the Apostolic See has given me, I grant you a full pardon and the remission of all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. R. Amen. [Ego facultáte mihi ab Apostólica Sede tribúta, indulgéntiam plenáriam et remissiónem ómnium peccatórum tibi concédo, in nómine Patris, et Fílii, + et Spíritus Sancti. R. Amen.

BAPTISMAL PROFESSION OF FAITH If the condition of the sick person permits, the baptismal profession of faith follows. The priest gives a brief introduction and then asks the following questions

N., do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth? R. I do.

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, ascended into heaven and is now seated at the right hand of the Father? R. I do.

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 priest may sprinkle the sick person with holy water.

#### LITANY

A You bore our weakness and carried our sorrows: Lord, have mercy. R. Lord, have mercy.

You felt compassion for the crowd, and went about doing good and healing the sick: Christ, have mercy. R.Christ, have mercy. You commanded your apostles to lay their hands on the sick in your name: Lord, have mercy. R. Lord, have mercy.

B Let us pray, dear friends, for our brother/sister N., whom the Lord at this hour is refreshing with the sacraments.

That the Lord may look on our brother/sister

and see in him/her the face of his own suffering Son, we pray: R. Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Lord may help N. in this moment of trial, we pray: R. Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Lord may watch over N., and keep him/her ever in his love, we pray: R. Lord, hear our prayer.

That the Lord may give N. strength and peace, we pray: R. Lord, hear our prayer.

#### LITURGY OF ANOINTING

In silence, the priest then lays his hands on the head of the sick person. [moral contact sufficient]

#### THANKSGIVING OVER BLESSED OIL

In place of the thanksgiving over the oil, the priest may give an instruction. (PCOS, #41)

Praise to you, God, the almighty Father. You sent your Son to live among us and bring us salvation.

R. Blessed be God who heals us in Christ. Praise to you, God the only-begotten Son. You humbled yourself to share in our humanity and you heal our infirmities,

R. Blessed be God who heals us in Christ. Praise to you God, the Holy Spirit, the Consoler. Your unfailing power gives us strength in our bodily weakness.

R. Blessed be God who heals us in Christ. God of mercy, ease the sufferings and comfort the weakness of your servant, N., whom the Church anoints with this holy oil.

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

#### Or: BLESSING OF OIL

Bless, + Lord, your gift of oil and our brother/sister N. that it may bring him/her relief. Bénedic, + Dómine, hanc Ólei creatúram et ipsum étiam infírmum (ipsam étiam infírmam)qui (quæ) hoc leniménto perúngitur.]

# **ANOINTING**

Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit. R. Amen.

May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up. R. Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER ANOINTING

A Lord Jesus Christ, Redeemer of the world, you have shouldered the burden of our weakness and borne our sufferings in your passion and death.

Hear this prayer for our sick brother/sister N. whom you have redeemed.

Strengthen his/her hope of salvation and sustain him/her in body and soul, for you live and reign for ever and ever. R. Amen.

# B In advanced age

God of mercy, look kindly on your servant who has grown weak under the burden of years.

In this holy anointing he/she asks for healing in body and soul. Fill him/her with the strength of your Holy Spirit. Keep him/her firm in faith and serene in hope, so that he/she may give us all an example of patience and joyfully witness to the power of your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

#### LITURGY OF VIATICUM

A Jesus taught us to call God our Father, and so we have the courage to say:

B And now let us pray with confidence as Christ our Lord commanded:
Our Father ...

The priest genuflects, takes the Eucharistic Bread, raises it slightly and facing those present says:

A Jesus Christ is the food for our journey; he calls us to the heavenly table.

B. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The Body of Christ. R. Amen.

May the Lord Jesus Christ protect you and lead you to eternal life. R. Amen. [Ipse te custódiat et perdúcat in vitam ætérnam. R. Amen.]

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Let us pray

A Father, your Son, Jesus Christ, is our way, our truth, and our life Look with compassion on your servant N. who has trusted in your promises.

You have refreshed him/her with the Body and Blood of your Son: May he/she enter your kingdom in peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

B God of peace you offer eternal healing to those who believe in you; you have refreshed your servant N. with food and drink from heaven: lead him/her safely into the kingdom of light. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

#### BLESSING

If however, any of the Blessed Sacrament remains, he may bless the sick person by making the sign of the cross with the Blessed Sacrament, in silence.

A May the Lord be with you to protect you. R. Amen.

May he guide you and give you strength. R. Amen.

May he watch over you, keep you in his care, and bless you with his peace. R. Amen. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit. R. Amen.

[Dóminus lesus Christus apud te sit ut te deféndat. R. Amen.

Ante te sit ut te dedúcat, post te sit ut te múniat. R. Amen.

Te respíciat, te consérvet atque te benedícat. R. Amen.

Et vos omnes, qui hic simul adéstis, benedicat omnípotens Deus, Pater, et Fílius, + et Spíritus Sanctus. R. Amen.]

B. May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, come upon you and remain with you for ever. R. Amen.

[Benedíctio Dei omnipoténtis, Patris + et Fílii et Spíritus Sancti, descéndat super vos, et máneat semper. R. Amen.]