

## Alternative Eucharistic Prayer

*This Eucharistic Prayer may be used for Masses on weekdays, Masses with children and other Masses where pastoral needs suggest it. It is not to be used on Sundays or Solemnities.*

*The Priest, extending his hands, sings or says:*

The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*The Priest, raising his hands, continues:*

Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Bowing his head and joining his hands, the Priest says:*

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*Then, with his hands extended, the Priest sings or says the Preface.*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, thy Word through whom thou hast made all things, whom thou didst send as our Saviour and Redeemer, incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin. Fulfilling thy will and gaining for thee a holy people, he stretched out his hands as he endured his Passion, so as to break the bonds of death and manifest the resurrection.

*With his hands still extended, the Priest concludes the Preface, after which, he joins his hands and bows at Holy, Holy, Holy, before making the sign of the cross at Blessed is he.*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; ever more praising thee, and saying,

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the Highest.**

*The People kneel. The Priest, with hands extended says:*

*[Celebrant alone]*

Truly thou art Holy, O Lord, the fount of all holiness.

*He joins his hands and, holding them extended over the offerings, he says:*

Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending down thy Spirit upon them like the dewfall,

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

that they may become for us the Body ✠ and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

*He joins his hands.*

*In the formulas that follow, the words of the Lord should be pronounced clearly and distinctly, as the nature of the words requires.*

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion, ...