

**Liturgy** – “the work of people”: “The words and actions of the Liturgy give verbal and physical expression to the profound realities of God’s gracious activities and the Church’s attitude in response to God.” #10 The Introduction to the Order of Mass USCCB

**SUNDAY MASS (2 Parts)**

**The LITURGY of the WORD                      The LITURGY of the EUCHARIST**

**INTRODUCTORY RITE**    *The purpose of the Introductory Rite is to **express unity** and to **ready ourselves** to hear the WORD and celebrate the EUCHARIST.*

**PROCESSION**                      →

Cross, Book of the Gospels,  
Ministers, Deacon, Priest,  
We Sing!!!



Announce the Presence  
“**The Lord be with you.**”



**Sign of the Cross and GREETING**  
**COLLECT**



**Penitential Act**



**Gloria**

Prai    Gathered in the H  
glorifies God the F  
the Lamb, Jesus.    Opening  
Prayer

**LITURGY of the WORD**    *God speaks to his people, opening up the mystery of redemption and salvation.*

**READING I** →

Scripture  
Old Testament

**Responsorial Psalm** →  
**Prayer of the**

Scripture  
Book of Psalms,  
Sung Prayer

**READING II** →

Scripture  
New Testament,  
Letters of the Apostles

**Gospel Acclamation** →

**Faithful**

Central to the W  
“**The Lord be w**”

“The Word of  
God must be  
broken open so  
it can be  
received.”

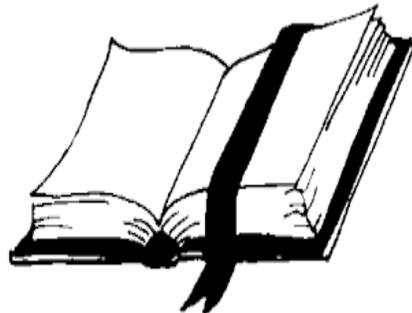
**Homily** →

**GOSPEL**

Affirm  
our Fai

**CREED** →

Community of the  
Baptized prays for the  
needs of the world and  
the community



# TEACHING MASS

## ... In the NARTHEX

**Processional Cross** – reminder of the cost of salvation and symbol of hope, the cross is adorned with the image of the crucified Lord

**Candles** – expresses both reverence and festivity

**Lectionary and the Book of the Gospels** – books from which the Word of God is proclaimed

**Ambo** – the place from where the scriptures are proclaimed is regarded as the “table of God’s word.”

**Vesture** – festive clothing suggesting the ritual and solemn character of the Eucharistic banquet. They identify the specific function or ministry of those who wear them.

**ALB** – the white garment common to all ministers (symbol of the baptized)

**Stole** – PRIEST wears over shoulders and down the front, DEACON wears over left shoulder across the front attached to the right side. Varies in color according to liturgical season.

**Chasuble** – garment the PRIEST wears over the alb and stole, also varies in the color according to liturgical season or occasion.

**Thurible** – vessel that burns and spreads incense; used on solemn occasions

**Incense** - has been used since before Christian times both as a sign of respect and honor and as a sign of our prayer rising before God.

*The Introduction to the Order of Mass USCCB #56, 55-58*

## LITURGICAL YEAR – colors

**ADVENT & LENT** – purple, violet

*Third Sunday of Advent and Fourth Sunday of Lent* – rose

**CHRISTMAS & EASTER** – white

**PALM SUNDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, PENTECOSTSUNDAY** - red

*Feasts of Apostles, Evangelists, Martyred Saints* – red

**ORDINARY TIME** (between Christmas and Lent, between Easter and Advent) - green

SUNDAY MASS is the “*source and summit*”  
of our Christian life.

We come:

1. To follow the Lord’s command. “*Do this in memory of me.*”
2. To share Christ’s presence *and give witness to one another.* “*Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst.*” (MT 18:20 )
3. To express and be formed in our faith.

*“In the celebration of Mass, the faithful form a holy people, a people who God has made his own, a royal priesthood, so that they may give thanks and praise to God...”* #95 General Instruction of the Roman Missal

We experience Christ in the Liturgy in the COMMUNITY gathered, in the presiding minister (the priest), in the WORD (scripture) proclaimed, and most substantially in the EUCHARISTIC species (the Body and Blood of Christ)

