

Good Shepherd Catholic Church

Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction

The following prayers are traditionally said at Exposition (when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed at the beginning of Adoration) and Benediction (when the congregation are blessed by the priest or deacon with the Blessed Sacrament at the end of Adoration). Prayers for Reposition (when the Blessed Sacrament is returned to the tabernacle) are also included.



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Exposition

After the people have assembled, the minister exposes the Blessed Sacrament while a hymn is sung, during which he incenses the Sacrament. The following or another hymn may be chosen.

O Salutáris Hóstia

O salutáris hóstia, Quae caeli pandis óstium: Bella premunt hostília, Da robur, fer auxílium.

Uni trinóque Dómino Sit sempitérna glória, Qui vitam sine término Nobis donet in pátria.

Text: LM; Latin, St. Thomas Aquinas, 1227–1274; tr. by Edward Caswall, 1814–1878, alt. Music: Anthony Werner, fl. 1863.

Adoration

A time for silent prayer, readings from Scripture, litanies or other prayers and hymns. On some occasions, the Prayer of the Church (the Divine Office) might be said or sung.

Tantum Ergo

Tantum ergo Sacramentum Veneremur cernui, Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui; Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio; Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. **Amen.**

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Benediction and Eucharistic Blessing

Benediction Song

- V. You have given them Bread from heaven (Easter: Alleluia)
- **R.** Having within it all sweetness (Easter: Alleluia)

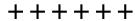
Prayer Before Blessing

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death.

May our worship of this Sacrament of your Body and Blood help us to experience the salvation You won for us and the peace of the kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The priest or deacon now puts on the humeral veil and blesses the congregation with the Blessed Sacrament.



Divine Praises

Blessed be God.

Blessed be His Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be His Most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most Holy.

Blessed be her Holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her Glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the Name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints.

Holy God We Praise Thy Name

Holy God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we bow before thee; All on earth thy scepter claim, All in heav'n above adore thee. Infinite, thy vast domain, Everlasting is thy reign!

Hark! the loud celestial hymn; Angel choirs above are raising; Cherubim and Seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising. Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"