

9. Second reading.
10. Gospel Acclamation (alleluia)
11. Gospel
12. Homily
13. Profession of Faith and prayers of the faithful

Liturgy of the Eucharist

14. Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts
15. Prayer over the Gifts.
16. Preface
17. Preface Acclamation (Holy, Holy, Holy)
18. Eucharistic Prayer
19. Doxology

Communion Rite

20. The Lord's Prayer
21. Rite of Peace
22. Breaking of the Bread

Communion

23. Lamb of God
24. Prayer after Communion
25. Blessing
26. Announcements
27. Concluding Rite
28. Dismissal
29. Recessional hymn.

**St. Matthew's
Catholic Church**



"To know, to love and to serve Christ"

**Confirmation
Student Preparation Handbook**

Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary;
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I 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. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Amen

7. **Generosity:** willing to give or share what you have, to help others.
8. **Gentleness:** not being rough, violent or harsh.
9. **Faithfulness:** true believing, showing loyalty to the Church.
10. **Modesty:** not boasting or bragging. Having respect for one self.
11. **Self-control:** keeping your emotions, desires and actions under control.
12. **Chastity:** avoiding unlawful or improper sexual activity.

The Order of the Mass

1. We stand and sing together the Entrance Song
(Processional Hymn).

Introductory Rites

2. The Priest or Celebrant Greets us;
“In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”
3. At this point of the Mass, there might also be a rite of Blessing or Sprinkling with Holy Water.
4. Penitential Rite
5. Gloria
6. Opening prayer.

Liturgy of the Word

7. First Reading
8. Responsorial Psalm.

The Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit

Gifts

1. **Wisdom:** judging rightly, desire for learning/seeking knowledge.
2. **Understanding:** power to think, comprehend, and to have sympathy.
3. **Counsel:** respect of others, that they seek your advice.
4. **Fortitude:** the strength to bear pain and misfortune, in a calm manner.
5. **Knowledge:** awareness, understanding of facts in all or many aspects of life.
6. **Piety:** devotion to religious duties, practices, and loyalty to family.
7. **Fear of the Lord:** to know, respect and understand the results of disobeying God.

Fruits

1. **Charity:** joyful willingness to help those in need of food, clothing, shelter.
2. **Joy:** happiness, great pleasure, delights
3. **Peace:** calm, quiet, to be without troubles, anxieties or worry.
4. **Patience:** the ability to wait for things without complaining.
5. **Kindness:** treating people with love and caring about their feelings.
6. **Goodness:** a virtue, the practice of showing kindness and love to people.

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen

The Seven (7) Sacraments

1. Baptism
2. Confirmation
3. Eucharist
4. Penance
5. Anointing of the Sick
6. Holy Orders
7. Matrimony

The Seven (7) Capital or Deadly sins

1. **Pride:**
over-high opinion of oneself.
2. **Avarice:**
too great a desire to have wealth/ being greedy
3. **Envy:**
resentful dislike of another because they have something you want.
4. **Wrath:**
action carried out in anger for punishment or vengeance.
5. **Lust:**
excessive sexual desire to gratify the senses.
6. **Gluttony:**
the habit or continual act of eating too much.
7. **Sloth:**
laziness

Ten Commandments

1. I am the LORD your God: you shall not have strange gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the LORD's Day.
4. Honor your father and mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

Act of Contrition

O my God,
I am heartily sorry for having offended you,
and I detest all my sins because
I dread the loss of heaven
and the pains of hell,
but most of all because they offend You, my God,
who are all-good and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace,
to confess my sins,
to do penance,
and to amend my life. Amen.

The Six (6) Church Precepts

1. You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
2. You shall confess your sins at least once a year.
3. You shall humbly receive the Lord Jesus in Holy Communion at least during the Easter season.
4. You shall observe the Holy Days of Obligation.
5. You shall observe the prescribed days of fasting and abstinence.
6. The faithful have the obligation of supporting the Church.

The Sign of the Cross

We make the sign of the cross by touching with the right hand;

- a. the forehead, saying, "**In the name of the Father;**"
- b. then the chest, adding "**and the Son;**"
- c. and then from the left shoulder to the right, while saying "**and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**"

The sign of the cross shows we are Christians because it expresses our belief in the chief mysteries of our Catholic faith: the mystery of the Blessed Trinity and the mystery of the Incarnation and Redemption.

The words we say show that God is one in Three Divine Persons. The sign of the cross we make reminds us that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died for us on the cross.