

Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Stand as the presider enters the church and goes to the tabernacle.

Kneel when the presider opens the tabernacle to retrieve the luna.

When the presider imposes incense in the thurible, all sing the *O Salutaris* or another appropriate Eucharistic song.

O Saving Victim

O salutaris Hostia
Quae coeli pandis ostium:
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium

Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

O saving Victim, op'ning wide
The gate of heav'n to man below,
Our foes press on from ev'ry side;
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

To thy great name be endless praise,
Immortal Godhead, One in three.
Oh, grant us endless length of days
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

Kneel or be Seated as the presider incenses the monstrance and says prayers at the foot of the altar. If the presider proclaims a Gospel passage from the ambo, **all stand**.

Adoration

Kneel or be Seated after the presider's prayers and/or readings. Now begins the period of private adoration and praise of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Kneel as the presider returns to the foot of the altar. While the presider incenses the monstrance, all sing the *Tantum Ergo* or another appropriate Eucharistic song.

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.

Down in adoration falling
Lo, the sacred host we hail;
Lo, o'er ancient forms departing,
Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith for all defects supplying,
Where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father,
And the Son who reigns on high,
With the Spirit blest proceeding
Forth from each eternally,
Be salvation, honor, blessing,
Might, and endless majesty. Amen.

Remain kneeling while the presider prays the Collect of *Corpus Christi*:

*O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament
have left us a memorial of your Passion,
grant us, we pray,
so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood
that we may always experience in ourselves
the fruits of your redemption.
Who live and reign with God the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

Remain kneeling, blessing yourself as the presider makes the sign of the cross with the monstrance over the congregation.

Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Remain kneeling as the Divine Praises are begun, **standing** when the tabernacle doors are closed and the presider returns to the foot of the altar.

The 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.

Reman standing as all sing *Holy God We Praise Thy Name* or another appropriate hymn.

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 Heaven 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 heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy Lord.

Lo! the apostolic train
Join the sacred Name to hallow;
Prophets swell the loud refrain,
And the white-robed martyrs follow;
And from morn to set of sun,
Through the Church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee;
While in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim thee;
And adoring, bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.