

Scripture in the Prayers of the Mass

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Opener: Which (non-reading) words from Mass come from Scripture, directly or adapted?

Thread 1: Heaven Meets Earth

The liturgy we celebrate on earth is mysterious participation in that heavenly liturgy.
- Pope St. John Paul II, [Angelus Address](#), Nov 3, 1996

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Thread 2: Unworthiness and Mercy

Have mercy on us all, we pray - "Intercessions" of [Eucharistic Prayer II](#)

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Thread 3: Covenant and Sacrifice

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb. - [Communion Rite](#)

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Thread 4: Missionary Disciples in the World

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations - [Matthew 28:19a](#)

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Closing Reflection

- How will tonight's discussion change the way we prepare for, and pray during, Mass?
- What is one part of the Mass you'll pray more intentionally this coming Sunday?

The Order of Mass

This is the basic structure of the Mass. Use this to help jog your memory about different words we hear or say throughout Mass. Note Scripture connections and your personal reflections.

Introductory Rites

- **Greeting:** *"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ [...] be with you all."*
- **Penitential Act (Confiteor):** *"I confess to almighty God [...]"*
- **Gloria:** *"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace [...]"*

Liturgy of the Word

- **First and Second Reading:** *"The Word of the Lord." / "Thanks be to God."*
- **Gospel Dialogue:** *"Glory to you, O Lord." / "Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ."*
- **Profession of Faith (Creed):** *"I believe in one God, the Father almighty [...]"*
- **Prayer of the Faithful:** *"Lord, hear our prayer."*

Liturgy of the Eucharist

- **Preparation of the Gifts:** *"Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation [...]"*
- **Sanctus:** *"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts [...]"*
- **Words of Institution:** *"Take this, all of you [...] Do this in memory of me."*
- **Memorial Acclamation (Mystery of Faith):** *"We proclaim your Death, O Lord [...]"*
- **The Lord's Prayer:** *"Our Father, who art in heaven [...]"*
- **Doxology:** *"For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours [...]"*
- **Sign of Peace:** *"Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles [...]"*
- **Agnus Dei:** *"Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world [...]"*
- **Preparation before Communion:** *"Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter [...]"*

Concluding Rites

- **Blessing and Dismissal:** *"Go forth, the Mass is ended."* (and similar)

Additional Resources

- ["Biblical Texts related to Catholic Liturgy"](http://www.catholic-resources.org) from www.catholic-resources.org
- ["Eucharistic Prayers I-IV"](http://www.catholic-resources.org) from www.catholic-resources.org
- *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* by Edward Sri
- *The Lamb's Supper: The Mass as Heaven on Earth* by Scott Hahn