

Roman Missal, 3rd edition

Maundy Thursday — at the Evening Mass

I give you a new commandment,
that you love one another
as I have loved you, says the Lord

What's New

General

- The reception of the Holy Oils may take place in individual parishes either before the celebration of the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper or at another time that seems more appropriate. [Chrism Mass 15]
- The altar may be decorated with flowers with a moderation that accords with the character of this day. [5]
- At an appropriate moment during Communion, the Priest entrusts the Eucharist from the table of the altar to Deacons or acolytes or other extraordinary ministers, so that afterwards it may be brought to the sick who are to receive Holy Communion at home. [33]

For the Presider

- After the Washing of Feet, the Priest washes and dries his hands, puts the chasuble back on [13]
- The transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament — the rubrics [37-40] have been revised to make them clearer.

For the Deacon

- The Deacons, with other ministers, may be entrusted with Holy Communion for the sick — see above [33]

For Consideration

- The tabernacle should be empty before Mass. The faithful should receive Communion which has been consecrated at this Mass — as is the norm at any celebration of Mass. It would be appropriate to have Communion under both kinds.
- Eucharistic Prayer 1 is included within the text of the Mass with the appropriate interpolations included. Eucharistic Prayers 2 & 3 may also be used.
- The faithful are invited after Mass to adore the Blessed Sacrament. After midnight this takes place without solemnity. [43]

Structure

At the Evening Mass

- The Introductory Rites
 - Entrance Antiphon
 - Sign of the Cross
 - Greeting
 - Penitential Act
 - Gloria
 - Collect
- Liturgy of the Word
 - First Reading
 - Psalm
 - Second Reading
 - Gospel Acclamation
 - Gospel
 - Homily
 - The Washing of the Feet
 - Prayer of the Faithful
- Liturgy of the Eucharist
 - Procession with Gifts
 - Eucharistic Prayer
 - Communion Rite
 - Prayer after Communion
- Transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Music

Music is given in the Missal for:

- Preface I of the Most Holy Eucharist [16]

Procession with Gifts

- *Where true charity is dwelling* — an adaptation of the familiar chant using the new translation can be found on the ICEL website (<http://www.icelweb.org/musicfolder/openmusic.php>)
- Other settings of the *Ubi caritas* may be used or another chant/song

Transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament

- No texts are given in the Missal for this.
- Reference is made to *Pange lingua* for the Procession and then the last two verses, *Tantum ergo*, at the place of repose.
- Familiar translations of *Pange lingua* include: *Of the glorious body telling* and *Hail our Saviour's glorious body*
- Other Eucharistic chants/songs may be sung.