

THE RITE OF LIGHT
or
MASS OF THE WESTERN MYSTERY TRADITION

Robing Prayers

These are entirely optional, but help very much in preparing a correct state of consciousness for commencing the ritual. Only those should be used which apply to the actual apparel being worn.

Shoes

May my feet be firmly placed upon the path that I must follow faithfully until my ending as an entity in Ultimate Perfection.

Inner Robe

May I constantly be clothed by consciousness presenting me the meaning of my purpose in the Perfect Plan, and also indicating the Identity of my most Secret Spiritual Self.

Outer Robe

May I be habited with honour and invested by integrity so that my spiritual purpose is proclaimed with power before all beings who need to know this for the sake of fellow service in our common Cosmic Cause.'

Girdle

May the circle of my consciousness be closed by a completing tie of Truth and Knot of Knowledge, so that I am led through Life by gentle guidance and a confidence in Cosmos.

Pectoral

May I hold hopefully within my heart, as I bear happily upon my breast, whatever sacred signs inspire and indicate my loyal service in the Cosmic Cause of Living Light.

Stole

May I be bound by my beliefs to stay in spirit on the central course of Life that leads between all oppositions to the One Eternal Entity epitomizing my entire existence.

Headgear

May my consciousness be crowned with certainty of Infinite Divine Intelligence directing all my ways in every world wherein I will experience existence evermore.

Ring

May this ring relate me indissolubly to my own true Original. Identity intended by the Highest One in whom my being began.

Apron

May humility and honour mark whatever work I am directed to attempt by the Divine One I alone acknowledge as my supreme spiritual Master, however highly I esteem all members of the Holy Hierarchy.

Cuffs or Gloves

R. Let my right hand denote my Duty.

L. Let my left hand denote Devotion.

Clasp: Blessed be this work which I will do with Duty and Devotion for the sake of faith in its importance as a spiritual service.

Staff

May I unfailingly uphold the spiritual standard I believe is best as my most suitable Support through Life at every level of experience. May I also help all other humans raise and realise their own equivalents upon our universal Tree of Life uniting us in everlasting Truth and Light.

Private preparatory Prayer before Rite

O Single Supreme Spirit of all Life, here signified as Light by human beings, I am but one member of thy Macrocosmic Mass.

Make thou, I pray, what more proportion of thy Microcosmic Mass thou wilt in me, through this symbolic sacred rite intended to relate us truthfully toward our unison in everlasting Entity, and ultimately: PERFECT PEACE PROFOUND.

Amen.

At the Commencement, the celebrant is to be either seated opposite the altar, or ready kneeling at its base. A means of frictional illumination must be on the Stone before the altar. During the Dark Silence, the celebrant must find and hold this ready for use.

THE COMMENCEMENT

The Dark Silence

Whisper

O Perfect Peace Profound, of Utmost Inexistence.
Infinite Eternal NIL. Unborn. Unbeing. Unbounded.
Unilluminate. Unmanifest. THOU ART THAT.
Originate Ourselves. Utter forth the Willword

strike flame

LIGHT

P. (*Aloud*). Make manifest thy majesty. Begin thy Life by Love, according to the Law of Cosmos and Creation.

BE WHAT THOU WILT WITHIN THEE

In the Name of the	WISDOM	<i>forehead</i>
And of the	LOVE	<i>heart</i>
And of the	JUSTICE	<i>R shoulder</i>
And the Infinite	MERCY	<i>L shoulder</i>
Of the One Eternal	SPIRIT	<i>circle</i>
AMEN		

ILLUMINATION

Above Blessed be the Light Divine in Heaven.
R. Forever and forevermore. AMEN.

Below Blessed be the Light of man on Earth.

R. Forever and forevermore. AMEN.

East Blessed be Light arising in the name of:
RAPH-EE-AEL

R. Forever and forevermore. AMEN.

South Blessed be Light increasing in the name of:
MIK - AI - AEL

R. Forever and forevermore. AMEN.

West Blessed be Light descending in the name of:
JIV - RO - AEL

R. Forever and forevermore. AMEN.

North Blessed be Light returning in the name of:
AUR-AH-AEL

R. Forever and forevermore. AMEN.

Centre Blessed be Light within us, in the name:
I AM.

R. Forever and forevermore.
AMEN.

THE ANOINTING

offer up oil

O thou Living Spirit of eternal energy and Infinite intelligence whose sacred sign to us is LIGHT, accept our offering of oil as symbol of thy holy nature.

With oil we recognise thine element of Light and Life. By its means are ignorance and darkness banished, unknown matters penetrated, troubled waters calmed, difficulties overcome, injuries and illness healed, and universal benefits bestowed on us. Truly, providence and power abides in oil, and it reflects to us thy loving magnanimity.

The mark of majesty on Sacred Kings, and seal of sanctity on priests who serve the Holy Mysteries is set with consecrated oil. May we here and now present ourselves before thee, seeking service in thine order of Melchizedek, most rightful ruler, King of Peace, and priest forever, owing no descent to human parents, ending and originating only by thine ordination.

Since we likewise dedicate ourselves to thee with duty and devotion,

place we pray, thy special signs of majesty and mediation in our souls for this pure purpose. We do not ask for such a privilege because of our presumption, but so that we come to thee as worthy representatives of our humanity, who seek thy Holy Spirit or their own true wills with firmest faith in thy Divine compassion and beneficence.

May we bear this blessing with humility and honour, for its present purpose, and forevermore, in the Name of;

The WISDOM	<i>Anoint forehead</i>
The LOVE	<i>Breast</i>
The JUSTICE	<i>R Hand</i>
The INFINITE MERCY	<i>L. Hand</i>
The ONE ETERNAL SPIRIT	<i>Circle face</i>
AMEN	<i>Beneath nose</i>

THE SONG OF LIGHT

1. I will give thanks to thee O light; Thou art a Saviour and Deliverer forever.
2. I will sing this song unto the Light; For it hath saved me from my enemies.
3. When I came forth from the highest, I was lost in lightless regions; I could not return unto my dwelling.
4. There was no light in me, nor power; And I was weakened.
5. The Light delivered me from mine afflictions; I praised the Light and I was heard.
6. It guided me unto the aeons of the Spheres; And I was led unto my rightful dwelling.
7. When I had no power thou gavest me power; When I lacked in light, thou didst illuminate me.
8. I was in the darkness, bound with mighty fetters in the shadow of the Chaos; And no light was in me.
9. Thou sentest unto me thine holy stream; It gave me power and saved me out of mine afflictions.
10. For thou, O Light, hath shattered Darkness into fragments; Thou hast destroyed the mighty bolts of Chaos.
11. Thou hast preserved me in all regions; In the heights and in the depths, and in the aeons of the Rulers of the Spheres.

12. Who art thou, O Holy One that cometh out of Light? What mouth may speak thy Name or mind conceive thy nature?
13. Thou holdest me within the circle of thy care; Thou art my center and circumference.
14. Thou hast promised that when men shall gather in thy Holy Name; There also wilt thou be within the midst of them.
15. Therefore do I sing to thee O Light, the joy of my salvation; And for all the works of wonder to Mankind.

I.A.O.

AMEN.

P. Who art thou that cometh in the name of Light?

R. And what shall we believe who seek thy Living Spirit?

CREED

All: I believe in one supreme omniscient omnipotent and omnipresent Spirit, Who is source and sum of all existence, Whose original creative word of Light called Being out of Nothing, and in Whose immortal image is made Man.

Gong. genuflect

I believe with reason and devotion in the beauty of controlled abounding Love, whose understanding wisdom is the certain Light illuminating boundless Being in our ultimate Unmanifest.

I believe that from Infinity unbounded being becomes illuminate as one true Light of wisdom, understanding all with Love outpoured most justly as a beautiful and glorious achievement founded on the Laws of Life within our Kingdom.

I believe in the Divine intention of perfection which inspires our efforts as evolving entities toward enlightenment in Peace Profound. Also I believe in the most holy hierarchy of Heaven, and communion of the Living Spirit through appointed agencies for gaining grace.

I believe in the validity of sacred mysteries whereby we may establish links along our oldest line of Light with Blessed Royal Blood of spiritual origin. So shall we rise to rule ourselves with kingly knowledge and Divine discernment. I believe we should be unto all

as we would have all be with us, acting in accordance with our leading lights upon the Right Hand Path of progress.

Lastly I believe in whatsoever liberates us from the unreal to the real, falsity to truth, and from darkness into Living Light forevermore.

AMEN.

P. One is the Holy Spirit we believe in by our tenfold Tree of faith.

R. Blessed be its branches unto we who live beneath them.

THE DIVINE DESCENT

Knocks Eternal Emptiness of Whom Existence IS. Thou art that
0. Nothing out of which all else appears. May thy limitless infinity
Whispered of Light direct us As Thou Wilt by thy Divinity made manifest
through Man.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN

1. O Ancient of the Ancient ones, thou art the Crown of our
Aloud, created Cosmos. May thine Archangel Metatron make clear thy
et seq. meaning unto us through thy Most Holy Living Creatures

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN

2. O thou First Father of humanity, hand on to us a heritage of
Wisdom. May thine Archangel RATZIEL conduct us carefully
throughout thy circles of constrictive Consciousness.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

3. O thou mightiest Mother of mankind, encompass us with
Understanding. May thine Archangel TZAPHKIEL watch over
us from thine appointed thrones of spiritual supervision.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

4. O magnanimous and kindly King, meet us majestically with
Mercy. May thine Archangel TZADKIEL correctly care for us
through the benignly Bright Ones.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

5. O strict standard holder of Severity and Justice, judge us with hopes of our becoming better beings. May thine Archangel KHAMAEL cleanse our corruption with the Burning Ones.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

6. O resurgent Ruler and most moving Mediator, rising from the Cosmic Child of Light, bless us with the Beauty of thy being. May thine Archangel MIKAEL restore our balance always with thy rightful regulators.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

7. O gracious lady whose great virtue lies in Love, bring Victory to what is best within us. May thine Archangel AURIEL encourage us by the examples of the True Immortals.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

8. O thou male-female synthesis of splendour, grant us the intellect to grasp thy Glory. May thine Archangel RAPHAEL instruct us through the Children of the Mighty.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN

9. O virile representative of vital reproduction, be unto us a firm Foundation. May thine Archangel JIVROEL enliven us with every energetic Shining Spirit.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

10. O regal bride of all mankind on earth whose name is Nature, be thou kind to us within thy Kingdom. May thine Archangel ZANDALOPHON enable us to rule the Elementals rightly.

All SO MOTE IT BE. AMEN.

P. Let us pray the Holy Presence we invite among us will accept and answer.

R. So that Light Divine descends upon us in the righteous Way of Life.

CALLING IN THE CIRCLE

- P.* Glory be to Thee, Creator.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* Glory be to Thee, O Word.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* Glory be to Thee, O Beauty.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* Glory be to Thee, O Spirit.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* We praise Thee and give thanks to Thee.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* O Light in whom there is no Darkness.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* And therefore we would say with thee.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* I would be saved, and I would save.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* I would be loosed, and I would loose.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* I would be wounded, and I would wound.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* I would be borne, and I would bear.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!
- P.* I would eat, and I would be eaten.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. I would hear, and I would be heard.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. I would be thought, who am all thought.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. I would rejoice, dance ye all.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. I would mourn, Lament ye all.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. Sun Moon and Stars, all sing with us.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. The Twelve are dancing, in the heavens.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. The Whole on high, is dancing with us.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. Who danceth not, knows not what Cometh.'
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. I would flee, and I would stay.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. I would adorn, and I would be adorned.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. I would be united, and I would unite.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. A house I have not, and a house I have.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. A temple I have not, and I have a temple.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. A place I have not, and a place I have.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. A lamp am I, to whom perceiveth me.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. A door am I, to they who knock at me.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. A way am I, to thee O wayfarer.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

P. Behold thyself in me, and keep our mystery silent.
All A - ah - ah - ah - ah - A-MENNNNN!

Gong Crash

BE STILL: AND KNOW: THE ONE: I AM!

stillness and silence

- P. May our thoughts and prayers on earth create an atmosphere as welcome to Divinity within our midst as a delightful fragrance from the precious flowers of paradise itself.
- R. Let our pure sacrifice of scented smoke ascend acceptably before the heavenly Presence from our earthly altar.

Here incensation is done, and any additional petitions put up.

Glory to the Blessed One whose being is with us.

Peace be unto the Power which comes upon us,

✠ In the Name, etc.

THE CONVOCATION

PRESENTATION OF SYMBOLS

- P. Honoured be the hallowed Symbols that denote our dedication to

the cause of Cosmos. First let the altar horns awaken in our hearts a sacred sense of debt and duty to all animals whose lives have helped humanity to higher levels.

R. May they and we evolve together into everlasting entity through universal understanding.

P. Let us be covered with the spiritual safeguard of a clear conscience.

R. As a Shield, protecting and proclaiming our pure purpose.

P. Let us be keen to know the point of all we put in action.

R. As a Sword, delivering our souls from dangers, of deceit.

P. Let us uphold the standard we accept as an authority of Spirit.

R. As a Rod, for ruling us with right and reason.

P. Let us be bound by our beliefs to follow all we hold as holy faith.

R. As a Cord, connecting us to our Tradition linked to Light and truth.

Here the Cup and Platter are presented and placed

P. Consider in particular the Cup and Platter of participation in this sacred service. Whoso would eat the bread of life and drink the wine of immortality herefrom, must be most willingly devoured by love of the Eternal Living One, whose emblems upon earth these surely are. Therefore in the name of all we take as Perfect Love, do we invoke sufficient faith to cast ourselves with complete confidence upon the deepest waters of compassion, saying: -

TO THE DEITY.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh 'me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in paths of righteousness for his names sake; Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil. Thy Rod and thy Sword deliver me. Thou raiseth an altar up before me, set between opposing pillars. Thou hast anointed my head with oil; my Cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forevermore.

AMEN.

- P. Hear ye faithfully, O fillers of the Cup and bearers of the Bread. One is Our Lord. One is Our Lady. Indivisible are they whose Kingdom is for ever. One is their name in whose immortal image we were made both male and female. Therefore to our Father-Mother, equally we pray.

TO THE 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 our faults as we forgive offences against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, Forever and forevermore.

AMEN.

brief silence

- P. As our heavenly parents are united in each other by the power of Perfect Love, so may we become their issue by the Living Light.
R. Let us therefore call upon our Greatest Mother, for it is a true tradition that no prayer to her remains unanswered.

TO THE MOTHER.

O thou Lady of Living Light. Radiant Queen of Heaven, and mysterious virgin mother of all life on earth and everywhere within existence. Hear and answer thou, thy mortal children, calling now upon thine ancient and puissant names:

AMA. ADONOTH. ITZEROTH. AIESSA.

Thou art she that bears all being. Thy beauty is the splendour of the sun. The moon shines forth and hides herself among thy hair. Night is thy concealing cloak, and every single star points out the pattern of thine unsurpassible regalia. May thy brightness blind us not, nor fetter us with fear. Be unto us all we may bear while blessing thee.

Thy breasts sustain each living soul. Thy hands uphold the holiest hopes of every human heart. Thou defendest good in us from our inherent evils. Tender is thy touch and welcome is thy word. Thou art the throne of wisdom, whispering its ways to we who listen

longingly for true enlightenment. Illuminate our ignorance, and save us from stupidities with thy sweet counsel.

O vessel of the Infinite, thou art both mate and mother to mankind in search of Spirit. Be thou our best beloved. Cradle us within thine arms. Caress and comfort us with constant care. Nurse thou, and nourish us forevermore.

Thou art ever virgin bride and mistress unto every single soul. Purity and passion are the pillars of thy temple. Lead us lovingly between them in the middle way to thy most holy adytum and Arcane Arch. Permit our passage into thy Divine perfection. Let us enter and enjoy thee evermore, uniting with thee in immortal and imperishable love. Encompass us with thy compassion and contain us as we come into thy presence. Take thou thine own of us. Let us become together what we will.

BETHULA. OLMAH. KALIAH. AIEMA.

O Love! O Life! O Light! May we truly be conceived and live according to thy will within the womb where we await thy Word.
AMEN.

short pause

- P. O most Blessed and Beloved One, bring all of us to true beatitude in thee.
- R. Send unto us those amiable spirits who administer thy grace and goodness.

To the Angels

Priest or Chosen Reader:

Blessed are the Holy Angels and all agents of the Heavenly Hosts. Welcome unto us are they that work the Will within the Word of Light, yet only act according to Divine direction.

Thanks be to these especial spirits, far beyond misuse by man, whose sure effect upon our souls is wholly beneficial, leading us upon the Right Hand Path toward our ultimate Enlightenment.

O friendly forces whom we treat with trust, and in whose careful guidance we have every confidence, come thou into communion with us at this present instance, bringing thy best influence to bear inside our sacred circle which commenced among us with our firmest faith.

In the Name of the Wisdom, and of the Love, and of the Justice, and of the Mercy, of the One Eternal Spirit. AMEN.
(*Brief pause*)

Priest: Be there acknowledgement of all Angelic agencies that guide and guard us with the Will of Heaven.

Responsor: And gratitude to those of Earth who pointed out our Pathways to Perfection.

TO THE AVATARS

Blessed are the Sacred Kings and Teachers of the Truth who lived on earth that we might enter heaven. As they delivered us from death and darkness, may we also pass the light they lived along its proper lines to those who follow it with dedication and devotion.

O thou world-wardens of our spiritual welfare, and sure sponsors of that work which we will do together for the sake of every single soul, help us to help humanity. Come into communion with us now, that we may share the same self-sacrificing spirit thou didst live and die for in this very world among our humankind.

✠ In the Name, etc.

short pause

P. Glory to the Great Ones seeking our salvation.

R. And recognition unto those responding to the Call of Cosmos.

TO THE INITIATES

Blessed are they whose names are known unto Omniscience alone, who yet have helped us forward on our paths by their own progress.

O great and glorious confraternity of Cosmic Light, wherein we find both faith and fellowship through every world of Life, bless thou the bonds of brotherhood between us. Keep with us now and ever-

more, the true communion of those Holy Mysteries we share and serve together.

✠ In the Name, etc.

short pause

- P. Unbreakable are links of love which faith and friendship forge among all souls discerning one another by the Light within them.
- R. Welcome indeed are they that enter with entitlement our closest circles of companionship.

TO THE INTIMATES

Blessed are they who mean much unto us because of our relationships with one another. Whoso finds no Divinity in others, may not find it fully in themselves.

O faithful friends and loved companions of our souls who are apart from us by disembodiment or distance, come, if thou wilt, into communion with us, and be present as our spiritual guests at this especial feast of faith we celebrate together for the sake of loving-kindness. Be willingly aware of us, and answer gladly as we summon all with Sign and Sound.

✠ In the Name. etc.

short pause

- P. Come from all Quarters, whoso would be one with us.
- R. As we are willing to be one in search of spirit.

SUMMONING OF SOULS

East O thou fellow souls for whom we have RESPECT.
Come here and now to common union with us.

✠ In the Name, etc. *horn blast*

South O thou Companions whom we honour and REVERE.
Come here and now to common union with us.

✠ In the Name, etc. *horn blast*

West O thou beloved ones we hold in deep REGARD.
Come here and now to common union with us.

✘ In the Name, etc. *horn blast*

North O thou in excarnation whom we would REMEMBER.

Come here and now to common union with us.

✘ In the Name, etc. *horn blast*

Centre O thou special Spirit whom we seek to REALISE.

Come here and now to common union with us.

✘ In the Name, etc. *gong stroke*

It is now our obligation to Divinity and one another, that we should decide with clarity of conscience whether we are really ready to renounce our separative states of self in sacrifice, or are not properly prepared to take this serious spiritual step. May we come to our conclusions with sincerity of soul and honesty of heart.

THE SELECTION

P. Of the many called to membership in these most Holy Mysteries, may those few be chosen who are willing to unite with us while we direct ourselves toward Divinity intending only true Identity in spiritual Living Light.

R. Let every single self assume responsibility as conscience calls it to accept accord with us, or otherwise abstain from the remainder of our sacred sacramental rite.

P. Now must our many ways to union in the Ultimate divide upon our present point of dealing with Divinity. Therefore, in conformity to custom, those who should not stay on this occasion are invited with the utmost amity of intent, to: -

DEPART! DEPART! DEPART!

bells

And be a blessing bidden as thou will upon us all,

✘ In the Name, etc.

Here the book is closed audibly or other sonic signal made. Celebrant crosses stole, changes headgear, and assumes position to commence Canon. Music may cover brief interlude.

THE CANON

- P. Here come we face to face before the Inner Being with whom we hope to find our own identity. Let no material move be made without sufficient spiritual motivation.

Rod barrier across Pillars.

For no mere mortal may behold the Greatest Glory of the Holy Countenance and live. We may not pass this point of peril unprotected by authority from Heaven.

- R. Let us therefore call upon our Archangelic Leader in the Hosts of Light, and ask for aid as we set forth upon our high adventure in the Quest of Spirit.

process to South point, Rod horizontal

INVOCATION OF ARCHANGEL

Most Perfect Prince of Light, Archangel MIK - AI - AEL.
Thou who standest on the right hand of the highest throne,
intercede for us and be our sure defender from all ills and evils.
Purify our hearts so that we may perceive the truth within, yet
perish not.

Fulfil thy promise to befriend mankind while but the slightest trace
of good remains in us, and champion our cause when judgement is
at last pronounced upon our souls.

O thou Supreme Grand Master in these Holy Mysteries of Light, we
ask for thy support and full protection for this spiritual service we
propose to put in action. Lead us forward faithfully we pray, so
that its outcome may be truly blest.

✠ In the Name, etc.

process to altar. Rod upright

INVOCATION OF LIFE SPIRIT

O thou single spirit of Eternal Living Entity in whom all Cosmos is contained, thy life is sacrificed by every solitary soul who shares existence with thee. What have we to offer which is not thine own from evermore to evermore?

Yet if we may serve some purpose for thee, here stand we before an earthly altar, freely offering our separate selves as victims of thy holy will in heaven. Behold the symbols of our sacrifice upon this altar.

Blessed is the bread our faith makes flesh, and blessed be the wine that signifies our blood as Sacred Kings, which we are now prepared to offer up as priests who serve thy one true living Spirit.

By our sacrifice of separative selves upon the cross of Cosmos, may we gain the Grail that holds our highest hopes, and claim true kinship with the Holy Blood inherited along our Royal Line of Light. Thankfully do we accept this pattern of our sure salvation, and proclaim aloud the ancient admonition;

**LIFE, BE THOU ONE! CREATED AND CONSUMED BY
THINE OWN CONSUMMATION OF THE LOVE THOU ART.**

- P. Blessed be our bodies unto heaven as this bread.
And hallowed be our souls to heaven as this wine.
offers elements briefly
- R. Let these be sanctified with salt and water, signifying the sweat and seed, together with the tears we may be called upon to shed in sacrifice.

BLESSING OF ELEMENTS

Salt

Creature of salt, thou faithful friend of man, be unto us a practical and potent means of saving good from evil,

✠ In the Name, etc.

Salt in water

May our bodies minds and souls forever be 'Preserved from all corruption by the action of pure spiritual Light, diffusing through us as this salt dissolves in water, symbolising our intentions of expelling evils from us by our uttermost exertions.

Blessing Water

O infinite Divinity from whose eternal ocean every single soul emerges into Life, we, thy scattered drops, salute thee through our symbol of this water. Bless thou thine element of Life in us, so that our inner seed of spiritual Light may germinate and grow to its full glory

✠ In the Name, etc.

Salt on Bread

May we ever be enlivened by a measure of goodwill toward each other, through whatever bodies of belief we share in Spirit.

Blessing Bread

O Boundless Being, whose body is all manifested matter, we, thine individual atoms, sense thee in our symbol of this bread. Bless thou these humble means of meeting thy majestic might through faithful and familiar forms we may assimilate and Honour.

✠ In the Name, etc.

Water in Wine

As water becomes wine on earth by means of nature, so may our offered blood become an ichor of immortal Life in heaven by the holy will that rules us rightly. May we ever be enlightened with that spirit of illumination which alone is the true wine of wisdom.

Blessing Wine

O thou ruling Spirit of that sacred Light which is the origin of the most Holy Blood we hope to bear within us, we separated selves of thine seek our reunion and rejoicing with thee in thy Kingdom through our symbol of this wine. Bless thou our blood outpoured towards thee, as thine own descended unto us.

✠ In the Name, etc.

THE NAMING

P. In whose Name shall this Cup be filled, and Platter be provided?

R. Blessed be to us the Holy Name of *Divine Aspect named*
In the beginning, now and evermore.

AMEN.

THE IDENTIFYING

Infinite art thou O Supreme Spirit of all Life. Unreachable by human consciousness is thy condition of existence as thyself. How may we now relate ourselves with thy reality'!

Since we were created in thine image that we might be known by thee, so must we create such concepts whereby thou are known to us. Blessed unto one another be creation evermore.

Therefore do thou, O Divine One, be not indistinct and distant from us, but come unto us as closely as a person living in these present limits of our purely human comprehension. O thou most Infinite, become most intimate. Make thyself manifest to us according to our means of meeting thee in mind and sensing thee with soul. Be thou, O Bornless Being, incarnate as an individual ideal, conceived and brought to birth amongst us.

May thy presence be as surely recognised by spiritual insight as these outer symbols representing our intentions are perceptible this very instant.

APPEAR THOU TO OUR INNER VISION. *cover eyes*
SPEAK THOU THAT WE MAY LISTEN. *cover ears*
SEND THOU TO US THY SAVOUR. *hold nostrils*
TOUCH THOU OUR HEARTS WITH FEELING. *cross hands on*
breasts, then kneel
BE THOU BY FAITH UNTO US BORN, O.. *Name Divine Aspect*
Gong stroke.

All Hail unto thee who cometh in the Name of ...*Name*

Blessed be thou unto us forever and forevermore.

AMEN.

THE AROUSAL

Be thou also born again by spirit, all steadfast believers standing faithfully in unison as upright stones together in the sacred circle of this mightiest mystery. By our conceptions offered up with virginal sincerity of soul, our rightful ruler comes to visit us in childlike confidential terms of truth. Through innocent simplicity alone may humankind claim kinship with the King of Heaven and obtain those Keys of Life that let us live therein.

Anciently our Faithful Kings of Cosmos claimed our consecrated Kings within this world in solemn sacrifice, and so, by dedicated deaths and blessed births did spiritual Royal Blood begin its sacred Line of Light among mankind.

Arise also to action, all devoted members of this Order of Melchizedek, whose true descent is from Divinity alone in Spirit. Attend as Priests and Kings at every altar honouring these Holy Mysteries on earth, proclaiming forth with all thy power:

BLESSED BE THE RULERSHIP OF RIGHT AND LIGHT
THAT LEADS OUR LIVES INTO THE KINGDOM OF MOST
PERFECT PEACE PROFOUND.

AMEN.

- P. As Kings must rule, so Priests must offer sacrifice.
R. May we fulfil both functions with devoted duty.

DEDICATION

O Thou Living Spirit, unto whom we sacrifice our separative elements of self and seek instead to substitute thy one true Holy Will within us, here do we submit to thee once more with complete confidence in thy Divine direction.

Transcending cruder customs of our olden times, yet following with faith our pattern of inherited tradition, we place most peacefully

at thy disposal our embodied souls and selves, here symbolised as bread and wine. We have no more to offer. This is all we are in thee. Be it unto us according to thy Word of Will.

As our lives were given unto us by thee in perfect love, so here and now with perfect trust do we deliver them again to thee.

here the Cord is secured

THE BINDING

As of old were willing victims tied in actuality upon their altars, now let love alone lash us by our beliefs to the Foundation Stone on which we base our faith. By the blessed Cord connecting us unto the Cosmic Cross of Living Light, may we become securely bound to the eternal principles of our origination and completion.

By the promises and obligations we have undertaken in the past and reaffirm by act this very moment, let us bind ourselves again to keep our holy faith unbroken. May the knot uniting us with truth be firm indeed.

Behold, O Living One, our present bondage in thy Name. Willingly do we await thy word within us.

here the Sword is held point up

THE SACRIFICE

O Divine begetter of our beings, our lives are thine to give and take away again. Our intentions are indeed our own to place at thy disposal. Take thou our dedicated wills as once our Sacred Kings laid down their lives for us on earth, that we might live to offer thee our separated selves in those our times.

Let now, thy saving Sword deliver us from all deceitful fetters of the flesh to an immortal and essential Life with thee in Light forevermore. Lightly may we pass the dread Abyss of Death, along the awesome Sword-Bridge offered by thy brightly shining blade of Justice

Sword horizontal over Cup

May we never falter fatally, but cross the chasm confidently into a supernal state of Understanding Wisdom, where the Crown of Cosmos will reveal our rightful Ruler, whose most Holy Royal Blood becomes our sacred Line of Life in spiritual Light beyond all limits.

Sword point down

Into thy hands do we commend our spirits. Receive us in thy compass of complete compassion. Penetrate our hearts and souls with all thy point of purpose in us. Accept us, and DO WHAT THOU WILT WITHIN US, by

THY WISDOM

THY LOVE

THY JUSTICE

and

THINE INFINITE MERCY

FOREVER AND FOREVERMORE

AMEN.

Brief Contemplation

Sword raised

Plunged

Hilt right

Hilt left

Kneel

*Point of Sword to
breast.*

Gong stroke.

P. May but our mortal bodies fall to earth, while our surviving souls arise to heaven.

Rise

R. Let not our offered blood be lost to Light, but saved within the sacred vessel of Eternal Life.

OBLATION

Our Chalice of the Holy Mysteries and Bread of Blessedness is specially for those who freely give themselves by blood and body to our common cause with Cosmos which these symbols also serve.

O thou Spirit, for whose sake we dare to die, accept us as the selves We are and take us into thee to live. Be thou hospitable to our humanity, and let us enter thy Divinity as welcome ones within thy

living entity. Thus only may mankind become immortal. We have sought thee purely for thyself, and ask to be included in thee. Now we knock with faith upon the gateway to thy heavenly Kingdom.

appropriate knocks

Open thou we pray, thy portals unto us, and let us live therein with thee forever.

✠ In the Name, etc.

DELIVERANCE

BE THIS INDEED OUR BLOOD
FREED FROM OUR FLESH
THAT SAVED BY SPIRIT
WE MAY LIVE IN LIGHT

*fill Cup
break bread
elevate
kneel, adore*

Bells

APPROACH

Our end and origin is One.
Naught is for us but what
We shall become by will
Within the Perfect Plan.
Our single point of Life
In being as we are
Is that we may be more
Than merely mortal.

O thou whom we would live
With willing unity
Do thou believe in us
As we believe in thee.
May we, and what thou art
Share one Identity.
Come, consecrate, and BE
WITHIN US WHAT THOU WILT.

Principal celebrant only rises

CONSECRATION

(Priest, aloud; Congregation, silently)

BLESSED BE THE BODY AND THE BLOOD THAT FOR ITS BURDEN BEARS DIVINITY INCARNATE.

O THOU INDWELLING ONE, TAKE THESE OUR ELEMENTS OF LIFE AND USE THEM FOR THINE OWN TRUE BEING. ACCEPT OUR CONCEPTS WHICH WE OFFER THEE BEFORE THIS ALTAR, AND RETURN THEM TO US AS A REAL EXPERIENCE OF THINE EXISTENCE.

O OMNISCIENT AND OMNIPRESENT ENTITY OF INFINITE OMNIPOTENCE, BE HERE AND NOW AS WE BELIEVE IN THEE ACCORDING TO THE UTMOST LIMITS WE HAVE REACHED IN THY DIVINE DIRECTION. WE CAN PROCEED NO FURTHER BY OURSELVES, CONTINUE THOU IN US.

IN THE BEGINNING DID THY SUPREME SPIRIT MOVE THE MOTHER DEEP, AND UTTER THY CREATIVE WORD OF LIGHT WHICH ECHOES YET THROUGHOUT OUR COSMOS AS A CONSTANT CALL TO ALL THY CREATURES. DO THOU THIS MOMENT, MOVE US TO OUR DEPTHS, AND UTTERING THY WORD OF *LIFE*, AROUSE IN US THAT HOLY ROYAL BLOOD WHICH IS OUR TRUE INHERITANCE ALONG THIS LINE OF LIGHT.

O SOLITARY PERFECT ONE, POUR FORTH THY POWER INTO THIS PURPOSE. UNITE WITH US BY WILL AND WORD. LET THY LIGHT PRESENT ITSELF IN PERSON, AND, ACCEPTING THOU OUR OFFERED FLESH AND BLOOD.

N.....(*Divine Name*)

BE: AS: THOU: WILT

WITH: THIS: THY: BLOOD: AND: BODY

*Adore, silence
Four slow strokes
of Gong.*

THE COMMUNION

- P. In the Name of *offers elements*
Be as That wills within thee.
- R. There is nothing of me that is not also

THANKSGIVING

quietly

Thanks be to thee O Blessed One, for what we have become together by this relative experience of our existence through a shared reality of Spirit.

As we have received, so may we radiate thee in return to those who need thee by whatever name they term thy nature.

Let us ever be regenerated through thy Light restoring us to Life by veritable means of that mysterious virgin mediation which determines the degree of thy Divinity that our humanity may hope to hold with honour.

AMEN.

THE BLESSINGS

- P. Blessed be the Light beyond all Being.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.
- P. Blessed be the breathing of Origination.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.
- P. Blessed be Eternal Wisdom.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.
- P. Blessed be Omniscient Understanding.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.
- P. Blessed be Perpetual Compassion.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.

P. Blessed be Almighty Justice.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.

P. Blessed be Transcendent Beauty.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.

P. Blessed be Unceasing Victory.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.

P. Blessed be Surpassing Glory.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.

P. Blessed be Infallible Foundation.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.

P. Blessed be all Life throughout the Kingdom.
R. Forever blessed be the Living Spirit. AMEN.

COMPLETION

P. Let us go gladly forth with greater faith into the outer world among Mankind.

R. Bearing inwardly the Blessed Light that every living soul may share in Spirit.

THE EXEAT LUX

1. As I emerged from Light in my beginning; So shall I enter it in Life that has no ending.
2. O Light! Thou hast directed me within the ways of truth and goodness; Thou savest me from darkness, and from error.
3. Thou revealest unto me the secrets of all things; Thou leadest me to the Divine Ones.
4. While I walk the way of Light I shall not falter; Thou protectest me from pitfalls and from perils.
5. Thou lightenest my living soul; Intelligence thou givest to my mind, and in my heart thou makest happiness.
6. Shining is my soul among thy brightness; Radiant am I because of thine effulgence.

7. Thou hast fulfilled for me thy promise of redemption; I have arisen in thy holy realms forever.
8. Glory be to thee O Power; Thou alone art the Indwelling Spirit leading me toward Perfection.
9. Therefore in thy name do I go forth among mankind; Joyfully, will I reflect thee to thy people.
10. Shine as thou wilt through me on earth O Blessed Light; That all aware of thee may find their certain ways to heaven.

I. A. O. AMEN.

- P. As we commenced, let us complete.
R. In Living Light forevermore.

FINAL BLESSING

O thou Sovereign Spirit, whose supreme and ruling radiance we may not fully realise while yet we live as mortals on this earth, lead thou us forth upon our lesser ways of Light within this world we share with fellow humankind.

May every single soul be likewise led to Light by their appointed paths and blessed unto all of us be Life in thine eternal Love, shared through the silent sacrament of PERFECT PEACE PROFOUND.

✠ In the Name. etc.

Here follows recessional music

Private Prayer following

O thou Living Spirit linked to me by Love, and meaning so much more because we made this Mass together, let us rejoice in our renewed relationship and an acceptance of each others authenticity.

May this remembrance by means of a religious ritual become condensed through consciousness into the most intense reality which we are capable of sharing for the sake of Infinite Identity in Perfect Peace Profound.

AMEN.

Divesting Prayer

Here I put away in peace these visible and outer vestments as ordained for this most sacred service I am privileged to have performed because of my beliefs.

May all these represent symbolically be transferred into me as true realities of Spirit, inwardly perceived most plainly by the clothing of my character with an investiture woven by the Living Light of Truth.

AMEN.