

B. General

Lord Jesus Christ,
our Redeemer, by the grace of your Holy Spirit cure the
weakness of your servant **N**. Heal his/her sickness and
forgive his/her sins; expel all afflictions of mind and
body; mercifully restore him/her to full health, and
enable him/her to resume his/her former duties,
for you are Lord for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

C. In extreme or terminal illness

Lord Jesus Christ,
you chose to share our human
nature, to redeem all people, and to heal the sick.
Look with compassion upon your servant **N**,
whom we have anointed in your name with this holy oil
for the healing of his/her body and spirit.
Support him/her with your power, comfort him/her
with your protection, and give him/her the strength
to fight against evil. Since you have given him/her a
share in your own passion, help him/her to find hope
in suffering, for you are Lord for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

D. In advanced age

God of mercy,
look kindly on your servant who has grown weak
under the burden of years.
In this holy anointing he/she asks for healing
in body and soul. Fill him/her with the strength of your
Holy Spirit. Keep him/her firm in faith and serene in
hope, so that he/she may give us all an example of pa-
tience and joyfully witness to the power of your love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

E. Before surgery

God of compassion,
our human weakness lays claim to your strength.
We pray that through the skills of surgeons and nurses
your healing gifts may be granted to **N**.
May your servant respond to your healing will
and be reunited with us at your altar of praise.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

F. For a child

God our Father,
we have anointed your child **N**.
with the oil of healing and peace. Caress him/her,
shelter him/her, and keep him/her in your tender
care. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

R. Amen.

G. For a young person

God our healer,
in this time of sickness you have come to bless **N**.
with your grace. Restore him/her to health
and strength, make him/her joyful in spirit,
and ready to embrace your will.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING

Then the priest blesses the sick person, using one of the
following:

A

May the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit,
come upon you and remain with you for ever.

R. Amen.

B

May God the Father bless you.

R. Amen.

May God the Son heal you.

R. Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit enlighten you.

R. Amen.

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.



ANOINTING IN A HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION



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INTRODUCTION

Have faith in God, and faith in me.

149. Although the sacrament of anointing should be celebrated whenever possible in accordance with the full rites already given, the special circumstances of hospital ministry often make it necessary to abbreviate the rite. The rite which follows is a simplification of the anointing rite and preserves its central elements. It is intended for those occasions when only the priest and sick person are present and the complete rite cannot be celebrated.

150. The priest should inquire beforehand about the physical and spiritual condition of the sick person in order to plan the celebration properly and choose the appropriate prayers. If possible he should involve the sick person in this preparation, and should explain the significance of the sacrament.

151. If the sick person wishes to celebrate the sacrament of penance, it is preferable that the priest make himself available for this during a previous visit. If it is necessary, this may take place during the introductory rites.

152. The circumstances of an emergency room or casualty ward of a hospital may make the proper celebration of the sacrament difficult. If the condition of the sick person does not make anointing urgent, the priest may find it better to wait for a more appropriate time to celebrate the sacrament.

153. The priest should arrange for the continued pastoral care of the sick person, especially for frequent opportunities to receive communion.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GREETING

The priest greets the sick person and the others present. One of the following greetings may be used:

A.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

B.

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

INSTRUCTION

The priest may prepare the sick person for the liturgy of anointing with an instruction (given below) or with the following prayer:

Lord God, you have said to us through your apostle James: "Are there people sick among you? Let them send for the priests of the Church, and let the priests pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord.

The prayer of faith will save the sick persons, and the Lord will raise them up. If they have committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven them."

Lord, we have gathered here in your name and we ask you to be among us, to watch over our brother/sister **N**. We ask this with confidence, for you live and reign for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF ANOINTING

LAYING ON OF HANDS

In silence, the priest lays his hands on the head of the sick person.

ANOINTING

The priest anoints the sick person with blessed oil.

First, he anoints the forehead, saying

**Through this holy anointing
may the Lord in his love and mercy
help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit.**

R. Amen.

Then he anoints the hands, saying:

**May the Lord who frees you from sin
save you and raise you up.**

R. Amen.

The sacramental form is said only once, for the anointing of the forehead and hands, and is not repeated.

Depending upon the culture and traditions of the place, as well as the condition of the sick person, the priest may also anoint additional parts of the body, for example, the area of pain or injury. He does not repeat the sacramental form.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The priest introduces the Lord's Prayer in these or similar words:

A.

Now let us offer together the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us:

B.

And now let us pray with confidence as Christ our Lord commanded:

All Say: Our Father...

PRAYER AFTER ANOINTING

The priest says one of the following prayers:

A. General

Father in heaven, through this holy anointing grant **N**. comfort in his/her suffering. When he/she is afraid, give him/her courage, when afflicted, give him/her patience, when dejected, afford him/her hope, and when alone, assure him/her of the support of your holy people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.