

BLESSING OF OIL

When the priest blesses the oil during the rite, he uses the following blessing:

God of all consolation, you chose and sent your Son to heal the world. Graciously listen to our prayer of faith: send the power of the Holy Spirit, the Consoler, into this precious oil, this soothing ointment, this rich gift, this fruit of the earth. Bless this oil + and sanctify it for our use. Make this oil a remedy for all who are anointed with it; heal them in body, in soul, and in spirit, and deliver them from every affliction. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

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.

PRAYER AFTER ANOINTING

Let us pray.

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.

When the illness is the result of 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 patience and joyfully witness to the power of your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

When the sick person is in great danger:

Lord Jesus Christ, you took our weakness on yourself and bore our sufferings in your passion and death. Hear this prayer for our suffering brother (sister) N., You are his/her Redeemer: strengthen his/her hope for salvation and in your kindness sustain him/her in body and soul. You live and reign forever and ever.

R. Amen.

For those about to die:

Lord God, loving Father, you are the source of all goodness and love, and you never refuse forgiveness to those who are sorry for their sins. Have mercy on your son (daughter) N., who is about to return to you. May this holy anointing and our prayer made in faith assist him/her: relieve his/her pain in body and soul, forgive all his/her with your loving protection., and strengthen him/her with your loving protection. We ask this, Father, through your son Jesus Christ, who conquered death and opened for us the way to eternal life, and who lives and reign forever and ever.

R. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

All: Our Father ...

If the sick person does not receive communion, the rite concludes with a blessing

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING

The priest blesses the sick person and the others present, using one of the following blessings. If, however, any of the Blessed Sacrament remains, he may bless the sick person by making a sign of the cross with the blessed sacrament, in silence.

Priest:

May the Lord be with you to protect you.

R. Amen.

Priest:

May he guide you and give you strength.

R. Amen.

Priest:

May he watch over you, keep you in his care, and bless you with his peace.

R. Amen.

Priest:

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

R. Amen.



RITE OF ANOINTING A SICK PERSON



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

INTRODUCTORY RITES

GREETING

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your spirit.

If Communion is to take place during the rite, the priest then places the Blessed Sacrament on the table, and all join in adoration.

SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER

If it seems desirable, the priest may sprinkle the sick person and those present with holy water. One of the following may be used:

Priest: Let this water call to mind our baptism into Christ, who by his death and resurrection has redeemed us.

INSTRUCTION

Then he addresses those present in these or similar words:

Priest:

My dear friends, we are gathered here in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who is present among us. As the gospels relate, the sick came to him for healing; moreover, he loves us so much that he died for our sake. Through the apostle James, he has commanded us: “Are there any who are 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; and the prayer of faith will save the sick persons, and the Lord will raise them up; and if they have committed any sins, their sins will be forgiven them.” Let us therefore commend our sick brother/sister **N.** to the grace and power of Christ, that he may save him/her and raise him/her up.

If the sacrament of penance is now celebrated the penitential rite is omitted.

LITURGY OF THE WORD James 5:13-16

The word of God is proclaimed by one of those present or by the priest.

If anyone of you is in trouble, he should pray; if anyone is feeling happy, he should sing a psalm. If one of you is ill, he should send for the elders of the church, and they must anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord and pray over him. The prayer of faith will save the sick man and the Lord will raise him up again; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

So confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, and this will cure you; the heartfelt prayer of a good man works very powerfully.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 123

All: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Reader: To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens.
My eyes, like the eyes of slaves
On the hand of their lords. *R.*

Reader: Like the eyes of a servant
On the hand of her mistress,
So our eyes are on the Lord, our God,
Till he show us his mercy. *R.*

Alleluia Matthew 11:28

Alleluia, Alleluia.
Come to me, all you that labor and burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 11:25-30

On one occasion, Jesus spoke thus: “Father, Lord of heaven and earth, to you I offer praise; for what you have hidden from the learned and the clever you have revealed to the merest of children. Father, it is true. You have graciously willed it so. Everything has been given over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son but the Father, and no one knows the Father but the Son—and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you who are weary and find life burdensome, and I will refresh you. Take my yoke upon your shoulders and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart. Your souls will find rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden light.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

RESPONSE

A brief period of silence may be observed after the reading of the word of God.
The priest may then give a brief explanation of the reading, applying it to the needs of the sick person and those who are looking after him or her.

LITURGY OF ANOINTING

LITANY

The priest may adapt or shorten the litany according to the condition of the sick person.

Priest:
My brothers and sisters, in our prayer of faith let us appeal to God for our brother/sister **N.**
Come and strengthen him/her through this holy anointing: Lord,
have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.

Priest:

Free him/her from all harm: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

Priest:

Relieve the sufferings of all the sick [here present]:

Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

Priest:

Assist all those dedicated to the care of the sick:

Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

Priest:

Give life and health to our brother/sister **N.**, on whom we lay our hands in your name: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

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

PRAYER OVER THE OIL

The priest says a prayer of thanksgiving over blessed oil or he may bless the oil himself using one of the following:

THANKSGIVING OVER BLESSED OIL

If the oil is already blessed, the priest says the following prayer of thanksgiving over it.

Praise to you, God, the almighty Father.
You sent your Son to live among us
and bring us salvation.

R. Blessed be God who heals us in Christ.

Praise to you, God the only-begotten Son.
You humbled yourself to share in our humanity
and you heal our infirmities,

R. Blessed be God who heals us in Christ.

Praise to you God, the Holy Spirit, the Consoler.
Your unfailing power gives us strength
in our bodily weakness.

R. Blessed be God who heals us in Christ.

God of mercy,
ease the sufferings and comfort the weakness of your servant, **N.**,
whom the Church anoints with this holy oil.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.