

TAB INDEX — *for Quick Reference*

Chapter

Part I: Pastoral Care of the Sick

Visits to the Sick 41

1

Visits to a Sick Child 53

2

Communion of the Sick 63

3

Communion in Ordinary Circumstances 69

Communion in a Hospital or Institution 83

Anointing of the Sick 89

4

Anointing outside Mass 97

Anointing within Mass 122

Anointing in a Hospital or Institution 141

Part II: Pastoral Care of the Dying

Celebration of Viaticum 157

5

Viaticum within Mass 165

Viaticum outside Mass 173

Commendation of the Dying 187

6

Prayers for the Dead 219

7

Rites for Exceptional Circumstances 231

8

Continuous Rite of Penance, Anointing, and Viaticum 234

CR

Rite for Emergencies 255

RE

Christian Initiation for the Dying 269

CI

Part III: Readings, Responses and Verses from Sacred Scripture

Appendix 377

Rite for Reconciliation of Individual Penitents 377

(Complete Contents on pages 6-7)

CONTENTS

Decree of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.....	5
Foreword	9
Decree	12
Apostolic Constitution	13
General Introduction	19

PART I: PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Introduction.....	36
CHAPTER ONE	
VISITS TO THE SICK	41
CHAPTER TWO	
VISITS TO A SICK CHILD.....	53
CHAPTER THREE	
COMMUNION OF THE SICK	63
Communion in Ordinary Circumstances ...	69
Communion in a Hospital or Institution ...	83
CHAPTER FOUR	
ANOINTING OF THE SICK	89
Anointing outside Mass	97
Anointing within Mass	122
Anointing in a Hospital or Institution	141

PART II: PASTORAL CARE OF THE DYING

Introduction	152
--------------------	-----

CHAPTER FIVE

CELEBRATION OF VIATICUM	157
Viaticum within Mass	165
Viaticum outside Mass	173

CHAPTER SIX

COMMENDATION OF THE DYING	187
---------------------------------	-----

CHAPTER SEVEN

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD	219
----------------------------	-----

CHAPTER EIGHT

rites for exceptional circumstances	231
Continuous Rite of Penance, Anointing, and Viaticum	234
Rite for Emergencies	255
Christian Initiation for the Dying	269

PART III: READINGS, RESPONSES, AND VERSES FROM SACRED SCRIPTURE	286
--	------------

APPENDIX

Rite for Reconciliation of Individual Penitents	377
---	-----

BIBLICAL INDEX	384
----------------------	-----

B

[236]

All-powerful God,
we thank you for the nourishment you give us
through your holy gift.

Pour out your Spirit upon us
and in the strength of this food from heaven
keep us single-minded in your service.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.

R. Amen.

C

[57]

All-powerful and ever-living God,
may the body and blood of Christ your Son
be for our brother / sister **N**.
a lasting remedy for body and soul.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING

[58]

91 The priest or deacon 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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING

[72,89]

119 The word of God is proclaimed by one of those present or by the priest. An appropriate reading from Part III or one of the following readings may be used:

A

[207]

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Matthew **11:25-30**

Childlike confidence in the goodness of God will bring us the “rest” that only Jesus can give.

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 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.

ANOINTING WITHIN MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

RECEPTION OF THE SICK

[92]

135 After the greeting the priest welcomes the sick in these or similar words:

4

A

We have come together to celebrate the sacraments of anointing and eucharist. Christ is always present when we gather in his name; today we welcome him especially as physician and healer. We pray that the sick may be restored to health by the gift of his mercy and made whole in his fullness.

B

Christ taught his disciples to be a community of love. In praying together, in sharing all things, and in caring for the sick, they recalled his words: "Insofar as you did this to one of these, you did it to me." We gather today to witness to this teaching and to pray in the name of Jesus the healer that the sick may be restored to health. Through this eucharist and anointing we invoke his healing power.

but when things are in heaven, who can
search them out?
Or who ever knew your counsel, except you
had given Wisdom
and sent your holy spirit from on high?
And thus were the paths of those on earth
made straight,
and men learned what was your pleasure,
and were saved by Wisdom.

The Word of the Lord.



A reading from the Book
of the Prophet Isaiah

[159]

35:1-10

Strengthen the feeble hands.

The desert and the parched land will exult;
the steppe will rejoice and bloom.
They will bloom with abundant flowers,
and rejoice with joyful song.
The glory of Lebanon will be given to them,
the splendor of Cannel and Sharon;
They will see the glory of the Lord,
the splendor of our God.
Strengthen the hands that are feeble,
make firm the knees that are weak,
Say to those whose hearts are frightened:
Be strong, fear not!
Here is your God,
he comes with vindication;
With divine recompense
he comes to save you.

BIBLICAL INDEX

Old Testament Readings

1 Kings 19:4-8	286, 361
Job 3:3, 11-17, 20-23 ..	287
Job 7:1-4, 6-11	288
Job 7:12-21	289
Job 19:23-27	193, 290, 362
Wisdom 9:1, 9-18	291
Isaiah 35:1-10	292
Isaiah 38	318
Isaiah 52:13-53:12	293
Isaiah 61:1-3a	296

Psalms

Psalms 6	319
Psalms 23	194, 213, 366
Psalms 25	194, 320
Psalms 27	48, 321
Psalms 34	323, 367
Psalms 42 and 43 ..	325, 369
Psalms 63	326
Psalms 71	328
Psalms 86	329
Psalms 90	331
Psalms 91	195
Psalms 102	47, 333
Psalms 103	334
Psalms 116	370
Psalms 121	196
Psalms 123	336
Psalms 130	211
Psalms 143	337
Psalms 145	372

New Testament Readings

Acts 3:1-10	45, 297
Acts 3:11-16	298
Acts 4:8-12	299
Acts 13:32-39	300

Romans 8:14-17	301	Mark 2:1-12	105, 345
Romans 8:18-27	301	Mark 4:35-41	347
Romans 8:31b-35, 37-39	302	Mark 9:33-37	57
Romans 12:1-2	303	Mark 10:13-16	58
1 Corinthians 1:18-25...	304	Mark 10:46-52	348
1 Corinthians 10:16-17.	363	Mark 16:15-20	349
1 Corinthians 11:23-26.	363	Luke 7:19-23	
1 Corinthians 11:26	179		106, 350
1 Corinthians 12:12-22,		Luke 10:5-6, 8-9	351
24b-27	305	Luke 10:25-37	351
1 Corinthians 15:1-4	306	Luke 11:5-13	353
1 Corinthians 15:12-20.	307	Luke 12:35-44	354
2 Corinthians 4:16-18 ..	308	Luke 18:9-14	355
2 Corinthians 5:1, 6-10.	308	Luke 22:39-46	199
Galatians 4:12-19	309	Luke 23:44-46	225
Philippians 2:25-30	310	Luke 23:44-49	200
Colossians 1:22-29	311	Luke 24:1-8	201
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9	312	John 6:35-40	356
James 5:13-16	313	John 6:37-40	201
1 Peter 1:3-9	314	John 6:40	238
1 John 3:1-2	315	John 6:41-51a.	374
1 John 4:16	74, 197	John 6:44-47	272
Revelation 3:14b, 20-22	364	John 6:51	72
Revelation 21:1-7	315	John 6:51-58	375
Revelation 21:1-5a, 6-7	197	John 6:53-58	357
Revelation 22:17,		John 6:54-55	178
20-21	316, 365	John 6:54-58	73

Gospels

Matthew 5:1-12a	339	John 11:3-7, 17	
Matthew 8:1-4	340	20-27, 33-36,	
Matthew 8:5-17	340	41-44	225
Matthew 8:14-17	46	John 14:1-6, 23,	
Matthew 11:25-30.	104, 342	27	202
Matthew 11:28-30	238	John 14:6	73
Matthew 15:29-31	343	John 14:23	178
Matthew 22:35-40	271	John 15:4	178
Matthew 25:1-13	198	John 15:5	74
Matthew 25:31-40	343		