

*The EMHC goes to the sick person and, showing the Sacrament, says:*

**EMHC:** The Body of Christ.  
Communicant(s): Amen.

*The communicant makes a sign of reverence, if possible (i.e., a bow of the head, bow at the waist, genuflection, etc.) and receives Communion. Others present then receive in the usual manner. A period of silence may now be observed. The EMHC then says the concluding prayer:*

**EMHC:** Let us pray.  
All-powerful and ever-living God,  
may the Body and Blood of Christ your Son  
be for our brother (sister) a lasting remedy  
for body and soul. Through Christ our Lord.  
**All:** Amen.

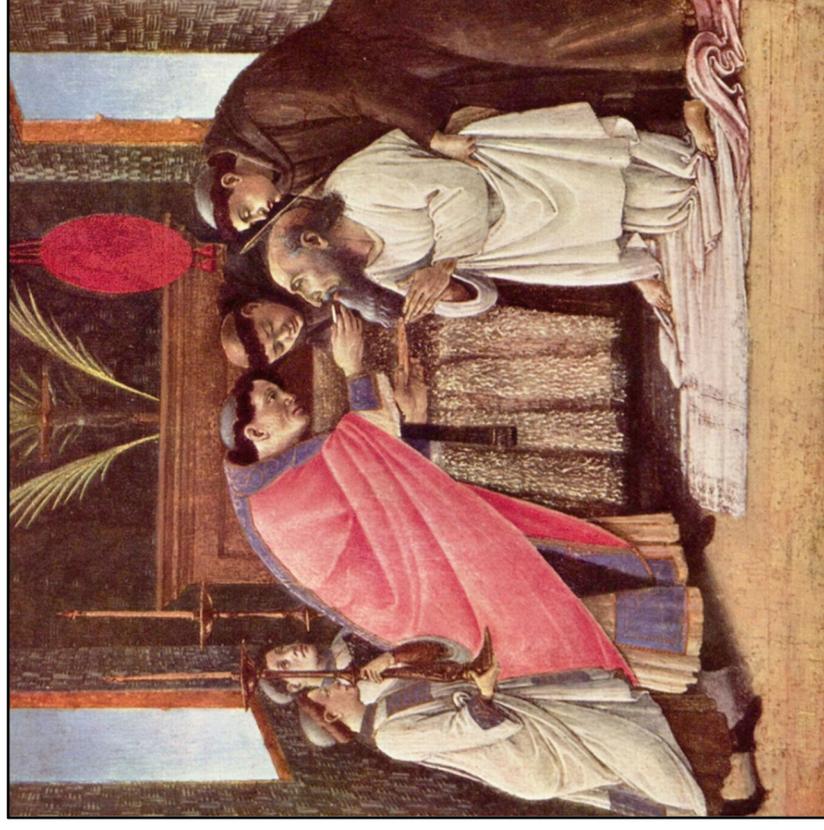
**CONCLUDING RITE**

*All make the sign of the cross over themselves at these words:*

**EMHC:** May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and  
bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

*The EMHC returns any unconsumed Hosts to the church.*

## Communion to the Homebound by an Acolyte or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion



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## INTRODUCTORY RITES

### Sign of the Cross and Greeting

**EMHC:** In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. Peace be with this house and with all who live here.

*The EMHC places the Sacrament on the table prepared, and all adore it. If possible, the table should be covered with a white cloth or corporal and be accompanied by lit candles.*

### Act of Penitence

**EMHC:** To prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.

*Pause for silent reflection.*

**All:** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

*And, striking their breast, they say:*

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**EMHC:** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*A brief passage from sacred scripture may then be read by one of those present or by the EMHC himself. John 14:23 is provided below. Another text may be read, especially making use of the readings of the day.*

**EMHC:** Jesus says: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him."

## HOLY COMMUNION

*The EMHC then introduces the Lord's Prayer in these words:*

**EMHC:** Let us pray together to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

**All:** 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 us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

*Then the EMHC shows the Holy Eucharist, saying:*

**EMHC:** Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All:** Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.