
RITE OF ELECTION AND OF THE CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION OF CANDIDATES
WHO ARE PREPARING FOR RECEPTION INTO THE FULL COMMUNION OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR A, FEBRUARY 18, 2024
AN ORDER OF SERVICE WITHIN MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Hymn
Sign of the Cross
Greeting
Introduction
Penitential Act
Collect

LITURGY OF THE WORD (Year A) RCIA 128

First Reading	Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 <i>The creation of our first parents, and sin</i>	
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 51: 3-6, 12-13, 17 <i>Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.</i>	
Second Reading	Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 <i>Where sin increased, there grace increased all the more.</i>	
Verse before the Gospel	Matthew 4:4b <i>One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.</i>	
Gospel	Matthew 4:1-11 Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights and was tempted.	
Homily		RCIA 550

RITE OF ELECTION and CELEBRATION OF THE CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

❖ Presentation of the Catechumens		551
❖ Affirmation by the Godparents [and the Assembly]	<i>Option A or B</i>	552
❖ Invitation and the Enrollment of Names	<i>Psalm 16 or 33</i>	553
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❖ Presentation of the Candidates		555
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❖ Intercessions for the Elect and the Candidates	<i>Option A or B</i>	558
❖ Prayer over the Elect and the Candidates	<i>Option A or B</i>	559
❖ Dismissal of the Elect	<i>Options A,B,C,D</i>	560

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Intercessions for the needs of the Church and the world and Profession of Faith	137 “For pastoral reasons, these may be omitted.”
Presentation and Preparation of the Offerings	
Presentation Hymn	
Prayer over the Offerings	
Eucharistic Prayer	
Preface Dialogue	
Preface	Preface: The Temptation of the Lord
Holy, holy, holy	
Memorial Acclamation	
Great Amen	
The Lord's Prayer	
Sign of Peace	
Fraction of the Bread	Lamb of God...
Invitation to Communion	Behold the Lamb of God, ...
Communion Hymn(s)	
Prayer after Communion	

CONCLUDING RITE

[Announcements]	
Greeting	
Blessing	Prayer over the People
Dismissal of the Assembly	
[Closing Hymn]	

128. The rite is celebrated within Mass, after the homily, and should be celebrated within the Mass of the First Sunday of Lent. If, for pastoral reasons, the rite is celebrated on a different day, the texts and the readings of the ritual Mass “Christian Initiation: Election of Enrollment of names” may also be used. When the Mass of the day is celebrated and its readings are not suitable, the readings are those given for the First Sunday of Lent or others may be chosen from elsewhere in the lectionary.

When celebrated outside Mass, the rite takes place after the readings and the homily and is concluded with the dismissal of both the elect and the faithful.