

Preface

And now we give you thanks because you anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son, as priest and king. Crowned with thorns, he offered his life upon the cross, that he might draw all people into that kingdom where he now reigns in glory.

or

And now we give you thanks because you anointed Jesus Christ, your only Son, as the eternal priest and king of all. As a priest he offered up his life on the cross, that by his one sacrifice he might present to you an eternal kingdom; a kingdom of truth and life; a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

Extended Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For with the oil of gladness you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son, to be our great high priest and king of all creation.

As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the cross and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of peace.

As king he claims dominion over all your creatures, that he may bring before your infinite majesty a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.

And so with angels and archangels and all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory and join their unending hymn of praise:

Post Communion

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessings

Christ our exalted King pour upon you his abundant gifts and bring you to reign with him in glory; and the blessing ...

or

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing ...

or

God the Father, who has given to his Son the name above every name, strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.

Amen.

God the Son, who is our great high priest passed into the heavens, plead for you at the right hand of the Father.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit, who pours out his abundant gifts upon the Church, make you faithful servants of Christ the King.

Amen.

And the blessing ...

Short Passages of Scripture

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Mark 11.9, 10

The Lord sits enthroned as king for ever. May the Lord bless his people with peace!
Psalm 29.10, 11

Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever. Your royal sceptre is a sceptre of peace.
Psalm 45.6

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our Lord and the authority of his Christ.
Revelation 12.10

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations.
Matthew 28.18,19