## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER IV

For Concelebration

The parts for all concelebrants are to be recited in a low voice and in such a way that the voice of the principal celebrant is clearly heard by the people. (See General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 218.)

The principal celebrant, with hands extended, says:

e give you praise, Father most holy, for you are great and you have fashioned all your works in wisdom and in love. You formed man in your own image and entrusted the whole world to his care, so that in serving you alone, the Creator, he might have dominion over all creatures. And when through disobedience he had lost your friendship, you did not abandon him to the domain

of death.

For you came in mercy to the aid of all, so that those who seek might find you. Time and again you offered them covenants and through the prophets taught them to look forward to salvation.

And you so loved the world, Father most holy, that in the fullness of time you sent your Only Begotten Son to be our Savior.

Made incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, he shared our human nature in all things but sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation, to prisoners, freedom, and to the sorrowful of heart, joy. To accomplish your plan, he gave himself up to death, and, rising from the dead, he destroyed death and restored life.

And that we might live no longer for ourselves but for him who died and rose again for us, he sent the Holy Spirit from you, Father, as the first fruits for those who believe, so that, bringing to perfection his work in the world, he might sanctify creation to the full.

The principal celebrant and all concelebrants, holding their hands extended toward the offerings, say:

Therefore, O Lord, we pray: may this same Holy Spirit graciously sanctify these offerings,

The principal celebrant joins his hands and makes the Sign of the Cross once over the bread and chalice together, saying:

that they may become the Body and 

Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ

## They join their hands.

for the celebration of this great mystery, which he himself left us as an eternal covenant.

For when the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, Father most holy, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: and while they were at supper, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Each concelebrant extends his right hand toward the bread, if this seems appropriate.

Take this, all of you, and eat of it, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

The concelebrants join their hands, look toward the consecrated host as it is shown, and after this bow profoundly.

After this, the principal celebrant and all concelebrants continue:

In a similar way, taking the chalice filled with the fruit of the vine, he gave thanks, and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

Each concelebrant extends his right hand toward the chalice, if this seems appropriate.

Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of My Blood, the Blood of the New and Eternal Covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many

Do this in memory of ME.

FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.

The concelebrants join their hands, look toward the chalice as it is shown, and after this bow profoundly.

Then the principal celebrant says:

The mystery of faith.

And the concelebrants with the people continue, acclaiming: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Or:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Or:

Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Then the principal celebrant and the concelebrants, with hands extended, say:

Therefore, O Lord,
as we now celebrate the memorial of
our redemption,
we remember Christ's Death
and his descent to the realm of the dead,
we proclaim his Resurrection
and his Ascension to your right hand,
and, as we await his coming in glory,
we offer you his Body and Blood,
the sacrifice acceptable to you
which brings salvation to the whole world.

Look, O Lord, upon the Sacrifice which you yourself have provided for your Church, and grant in your loving kindness to all who partake of this one Bread and one Chalice that, gathered into one body by the Holy Spirit, they may truly become a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your glory.

They join their hands.

With hands extended, one of the concelebrants or the principal celebrant says:

Therefore, Lord, remember now all for whom we offer this sacrifice: especially your servant N. our Pope, N. our Bishop, and the whole Order of Bishops, all the clergy, those who take part in this offering, those gathered here before you, your entire people, and all who seek you with a sincere heart.

Remember also those who have died in the peace of your Christ and all the dead, whose faith you alone have known.

He joins his hands.

With hands extended, another of the concelebrants or the principal celebrant says:

To all of us, your children, grant, O merciful Father, that we may enter into a heavenly inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and with your Apostles and Saints in your kingdom.

There with the whole of creation

There, with the whole of creation, freed from the corruption of sin and death, may we glorify you through Christ our Lord,

He joins his hands.

through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

The principal celebrant raises the paten with the host, and the deacon, or in his absence, one of the concelebrants, raises the chalice, while the principal celebrant alone, or with all the concelebrants, says:

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

The people acclaim: Amen.

\* Mention may be made here of the Coadjutor Bishop, or Auxiliary Bishops, as noted in the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 149.