

What should be in Order of Service?

Skeleton Outline for a Requiem Mass

Eulogy (optional)

Opening Hymn or organ music

Introductory Rites

- Greeting
- Sprinkling with Holy Water
- Placing of sacred symbols: Book of the Gospels and Cross
- Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word (Scripture Readings)

- First Reading
- Responsorial Psalm (either said or sung by cantor)
- Second Reading (optional)
- Gospel Acclamation
- Gospel (read by priest)
- Homily
- Prayers of the Faithful (optional)

Liturgy of the Eucharist

- Presentation of the Gifts (bread & wine) and Preparation of the Altar
- Prayer over the Offerings
- Eucharistic Prayer
- Reception of Holy Communion for Catholics and blessing offered for non-Catholics or Catholics who cannot receive Holy Communion
- **Holy Communion Hymn or organ music (optional)**
- Prayer after Holy Communion

- Final Prayers of Commendation for the Deceased
- **Final Hymn or Organ music**