

The Order of the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

optional parts of the service

<p>The bishop is greeted at the doors of the church</p> <p>Bishop and first deacon say prayers before the iconostasis</p> <p>Bishop blesses the people, who respond with "Many years"</p>
<p>The bishop is seated in the middle of the church</p> <p>Priests receive his blessing</p> <p>Deacons vest the bishop for the Liturgy</p> <p>Bishop blesses to the east, west, north, and south</p> <p>The people respond with "Many years"</p>
<p><i>Ordinations to minor orders take place here</i></p> <p><i>Blessing of antimensia takes place here</i></p> <p><i>Hours may be celebrated</i></p>
<p>Concelebrating priest goes to altar</p> <p>Blessing by priest: "Blessed is the Kingdom..."</p>
<p>Litany of Peace</p>
<p>Three Antiphons, or Typical Psalms and Beatitudes</p>
<p>Concelebrating clergy go in procession from the sanctuary to the bishop's chair</p> <p><i>Elevation of an archimandrite, hegumen, or protopresbyter takes place here</i></p> <p>Priests sing beginning of Entrance Hymn: "Come, let us worship"</p> <p>Bishop blesses with candles to east, west, north, and south</p> <p>The people respond with "Many years", and conclude the Entrance Hymn</p> <p>Bishop enters the sanctuary with clergy</p> <p>Troparia and kontakia</p>
<p>Trisagion ("Holy God"); third time is sung by the bishop in Greek</p> <p>or "All you who have been baptized"</p> <p>or "We bow to your cross, O Christ"</p> <p><i>Ordination of a bishop takes place here</i></p>
<p>Prokeimenon, Epistle, Alleluia, and Gospel</p> <p>Bishop blesses faithful with candles</p> <p>The people respond with "Many years"</p>
<p>Litany of Fervent Supplication</p> <p><i>Litany of the Catechumens</i></p> <p><i>Litany of the Faithful</i></p>
<p>The Cherubic Hymn ("Let us who mystically...") and Great Entrance with gifts</p> <p><i>Ordination of a priest takes place here</i></p> <p>Bishop blesses faithful with candles</p> <p>The people respond with "Many years"</p>
<p>Litany over the Gifts</p>
<p>The Symbol of Faith (Creed)</p>
<p>The Anaphora of Saint John Chrysostom or Saint Basil the Great</p>
<p><i>Ordination of a deacon takes place here</i></p> <p><i>Consecration of chrism takes place here</i></p>
<p>Prayers before Holy Communion</p> <p>Holy Communion</p> <p>Thanksgiving after Holy Communion</p>
<p>Prayer before the ambon</p> <p><i>Enthronement of a bishop takes place here</i></p> <p>Blessing and dismissal</p> <p>"Many years" is sung for the pope, the bishop(s), the clergy and people</p> <p>Bishop blesses people with his pastoral staff, and they respond with "Many years"</p> <p>Bishop leaves church in procession "Blessed be the name of the Lord"</p>