Blessing and Dismissal

Hymn

Sing of Mary

1. Sing of Mary, pure and lowly, Virgin mother unoccupied.
2. Sing of Jesus, Son of God, the Father, glory be to thee.
3. Glory to God's own labor, Son most holy, love enduring.
4. Little death, firstborn child, in the heart of the blessed mother.
5. God the Father, from all saints, who came to earth, Word made flesh, Christ our Redeemer, and King.

Immaculate Mary

1. Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing; You reign now with Christ, our Redeemer and King.
2. In heaven the blessed your glory proclaim; On earth, we, your children, invoke your fair name.
3. We pray for our Mother, the Church upon earth; And bless holy Mary, the land of our birth.

Invitation to Pray

Minister: Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of Mary.

All: Let us give praise and thanks to the Lord as we keep this day in loving memory of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Opening Prayer

All pray in silence

Word of God
**Rite of Crowning**

Minister: Lord,  
we bless you,  
for you are full of mercy and justice:  
you humble the proud  
and exalt the lowly.

All: You gave us the highest example  
of your divine wisdom  
in the mystery of the Word made flesh  
and of his virgin Mother.

Minister: Your Son,  
humbled by death,  
rose glorious at your right hand,  
the king of all creation.

All: The Virgin, who acknowledged herself  
to be a servant,  
became the Mother of our Redeemer  
and of those reborn in her Son.  
Now, raised above the angels, she prays for all:  
the Queen of mercy and grace.

Minister: Bless us as we crown this image  
of the Mother of Your Son.

All: We confess Christ to be King of creation  
and call upon Mary, our Queen.  
May we walk in their likeness,  
spending ourselves for the sake of others.

Content with our place in this life,  
may we one day hear your voice  
inviting us to take our place in heaven  
and receive the crown of victory.