

# FATHER SAYS

**NOW UPDATED!**  
The changes from the New Roman Missal are underlined.

## The Simon Says Game of Mass Responses

*"The sacred liturgy is at the center, at the heart, of the life of the Church. It gives life to the Church. It builds up the Mystical Body of Christ. It manifests the nature of the Church. It empowers the Church to carry out her mission."*

*-Cardinal Francis Arinze*

**DIRECTIONS:** All the players stand together. Someone plays the part of Father and randomly picks a "Father Says" statement to read. The players have to give the proper response from Mass. Players who miss the correct response sit down. The one left standing wins. For extra fun, you can keep score.

FATHER SAYS...	WE RESPOND...	POINTS
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.	<b>[Make sign of cross] Amen.</b>	1
The Lord be with you.	<b>And with your <u>spirit</u>.</b>	3
I confess...	<b>...to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have <u>greatly sinned</u> in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, [strike heart] <u>through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore</u> I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.</b>	7
Lord have mercy.	<b>Lord have mercy.</b>	2
Christ have mercy.	<b>Christ have mercy.</b>	2
Lord have mercy.	<b>Lord have mercy.</b>	2
We ask this through Christ our Lord. (or) ...who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.	<b>Amen.</b>	1
[The Lector says] The Word of the Lord.	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>	2
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (or whomever).	<b>[Make sign of the cross on our forehead, lips and heart] Glory to You, Lord.</b>	4
The Gospel of the Lord.	<b>Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.</b>	4
Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, <u>for</u> through your goodness we have <u>received the bread we offer: the fruit of the earth and the work of human hands</u> , it will become for us the bread of life.	<b>Blessed be God forever.</b>	4
Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation, <u>for</u> through your goodness we have <u>received the wine we offer: the fruit of the vine and the work of human hands</u> , it will become our spiritual drink.	<b>Blessed be God forever.</b>	4
Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.	<b>May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his <u>holy Church</u>.</b>	5
Lift up your hearts.	<b>We lift them up to the Lord.</b>	3
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	<b>It is right and just.</b>	3
And so, with the Angels and all the Saints we declare your glory, as with one voice we acclaim:	<b>Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of <u>hosts</u>. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.</b>	
Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my body, which will be given up for you.	<b>[Bow heads and say in our hearts] My Lord and My God</b>	4
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 for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me.	<b>[Bow heads and say in our hearts] My Lord and My God</b>	4
<u>The mystery of faith.</u>	<b><u>We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.</u></b>	6
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.	<b>Amen!</b>	1
<u>Behold</u> the Lamb of God, <u>behold him</u> who takes away the sins of the world. <u>Blessed</u> are those called to <u>the supper of the Lamb</u> .	<b>Lord, I am not worthy <u>that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.</u></b>	5
The Body of Christ.	<b>Amen.</b>	1
<u>Go forth</u> , the Mass is ended.	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>	3