



# The Beginning of the Divine Liturgy

Did you know that the Divine Liturgy begins with the same words every time? Yes, it does! Listen to the priest as he begins the Divine Liturgy this Sunday. He will say, "Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages."

This reminds us how wonderful God's kingdom is. This kingdom belongs to the Trinity: the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are part of God's kingdom, and we thank God at every Divine Liturgy for making us part of His Kingdom.

When the priest says these first words of the Divine Liturgy, he stands in front of the Holy Altar. The priest raises the Holy Gospel in front of him. We can cross ourselves when we hear these words. Be sure to listen for these words at the Divine Liturgy this Sunday and remember to cross yourself.