

The Triune Mass-Performed by Templum Tu'at Priory

The Ceremony of the Mass

The Entrance

THE MESSENGER guides THE PEOPLE into the Temple, then goes to stand between the Active and Passive Altars, waiting for a moment until THE PEOPLE are in their seats.

THE MESSENGER picks up the Book of the Law.

THE MESSENGER advances towards the High Altar and bows before the Grail.

THE MESSENGER kisses the Book of the Law three times, opens it, and puts it in its place on the Altar.

THE MESSENGER turns to face THE PEOPLE and bids them to stand.

The Proclamation of the Law

THE MESSENGER:

"I proclaim the Law of Light, Life, Love, and Liberty in the name of Beauty, of that deity which is born, slain, and born again, which is also nature, the destruction of nature, and its redemption through the Law, all of which are known by the symbol of (Intones): IAO!"

"Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the law!"

THE PEOPLE:

"Love is the law, love under will."

THE MESSENGER returns to stand between the Active and Passive Altars.

THE MESSENGER:

"Take a step forward and recite with me the Creed."

THE PEOPLE all step forward, each as they will.

The Creed

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE recite together:

The Traditional Creed

"I believe in one secret and ineffable LORD, and in one Star in the Company of Stars, of whose fire we are created, and to which we shall return; and in one Father of Life, Mystery of Mystery, in His name, CHAOS, the sole vice-regent of the Sun upon the Earth; and in one Air, the nourisher of all that breathes.

And I believe in one Earth, the Mother of us all, and in one Womb, wherein all men are begotten, and wherein they shall rest, Mystery of Mystery, in Her name BABALON.

And I believe in the Serpent and the Lion, Mystery of Mystery, in His name BAPHOMET.

And I believe in one Gnostic and Catholic Church of Light, Life, Love, and Liberty, the Word of whose Law is THELEMA.

And I believe in the communion of Saints.

And, forasmuch as meat and drink are transmuted in us daily into spiritual substance, I believe in the Miracle of the Mass.

And I confess one Baptism of Wisdom whereby we accomplish the Miracle of Incarnation.

And I confess my life, one, individual, and eternal that was, and is, and is to come.

AUMGN, AUMGN, AUMGN”

A Non-Gendered Version of the Creed

“I believe in one secret and ineffable SOVEREIGN; and in one Star in the Company of Stars, of whose fire we are created, and to which we shall return; and in one Agent of Life, Mystery of Mystery, whom we apprehend as CHAOS, the sole vice-regent of the Sun upon the Earth; and in one Air, the nourisher of all that breathes.

And I believe in one Earth, the Source of us all, and in one Womb, wherein all men are begotten, and wherein they shall rest, Mystery of Mystery, whom we apprehend as BABALON.

And I believe in the Serpent and the Lion, Mystery of Mystery, whom we apprehend as BAPHOMET.

And I believe in one Gnostic and Catholic Church of Light, Life, Love, and Liberty, the Word of whose Law is THELEMA.

And I believe in the communion of Saints.

And forasmuch as meat and drink are transmuted in us daily into spiritual substance, I believe in the Miracle of the Mass.

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CUE FOR THE VIRGIN AND THE CHILDREN TO ENTER THE TEMPLE

The Entry of the PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH and the CHILDREN

The ACTIVE CHILD enters with the censer and incense.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH as THE VIRGIN enters with the Sword and Paten.

The PASSIVE CHILD enters with the vessel of water and salt.

They face THE MESSENGER and stand in a line along the space between the Veil and the Active Altar.

THE VIRGIN:

“Greeting of Earth and Heaven!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign.

THE VIRGIN approaches the High Altar. After a pause, they take the three final steps, whether there are stairs or not.

THE CHILDREN may continue to face THE PEOPLE, may turn inward to face each other, or may turn to face the Veil, but they do not follow THE VIRGIN to the High Altar.

THE VIRGIN places the Paten before the Grail and shows their adoration of it.

*** CUE FOR THE CHILDREN TO MOVE TO THEIR PLACES FLANKING THE TOMB, THE ACTIVE CHILD ON THE CHOKMAH SIDE AND THE PASSIVE CHILD ON THE BINAH SIDE, ***

THE VIRGIN turns toward the Temple and speaks.

THE VIRGIN:

“I am Infinite Space and the Infinite Stars thereof. I am the Sky with which the Serpent seeks union.”

THE VIRGIN descends the first stair or takes a first step forward.

THE VIRGIN:

“I dance to arouse the coiled splendor, that the secret serpent may rise to become one with the sky, and so become one with me; that it may drip venom down to rapture the earth, and so rapture me, that I may ride it as a beast.”

THE VIRGIN descends the second stair or takes a second step forward.

THE VIRGIN:

“I am also the snake of the slime, for there is nothing which is not in and of me, and I am all things within the world.”

THE VIRGIN descends the third stair or takes a third step forward.

THE VIRGIN:

“As above, so below.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing Sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE VIRGIN dresses and crowns THE MESSENGER and places their hands on THE MESSENGER’S shoulders.

THE VIRGIN:

“Be thy heart filled with flame, and girt about with a Beast! Go forward upon the path, to administer the Virtues to the Brethren.”

THE MESSENGER bids THE PEOPLE to sit and stands by the pillar on the Chokmah side of the Temple.

THE VIRGIN circumambulates the Temple. On the last turn they signal THE MESSENGER by touching their sword and take THE MESSENGER’S hand on the last turn around the Active Altar.. THE VIRGIN is led, hands held above the Altars, to the Tomb. just like THE VIRGIN is led to the East by THE FOOL.

THE MESSENGER goes back to stand between the Active and Passive Altars for the reading of the Principles.

THE VIRGIN waits at the Tomb while THE MESSENGER reads.

The Explanation of the Principles

THE MESSENGER:

"The Book of the Law is divided into three parts.

The first Chapter is that of Nuit, of whom it is written is "Infinite Space and the Infinite Stars thereof." Every man and woman is a star. We are not stars within Nuit, the night sky, but rather all of the night sky and all things are within each of us. We worship the Night Sky and Nuit bids us, "behold my light shed over you!" It is Nuit who manifests to us here present as Babalon, the principal of matter, creation, and manifestation, which nourishes and gives form to life.

The second Chapter is that of Hadit, who is hidden, the complement to Nuit. Where Nuit is all, Hadit is the one point, center symbolized by the Sun. Of Hadit it is written "In the sphere I am everywhere the center, as she, the circumference, is nowhere found." It is Hadit who manifests to us here present as Chaos, the principal of energy, giver of light and life in all things.

The third Chapter is that of Ra-Hoor-Khuit, the form of Horus, the Crowned and Conquering Child of the New Aeon. Of the Child it is written "They are not merely a symbol of growth, but of complete moral independence and innocence. The Aeon of Horus is not described as some idyllic era. The Old Aeon of Osiris, characterized by paternalism, submission, and the image of the dying god, will be overturned.

The Crowned and Conquering Child has all gender and none, and "dieth not, nor is reborn, but goeth radiant ever upon His way. Even so goeth the Sun: for as it is now known that night is but the shadow of the Earth, so Death is but the shadow of the body, that Veileth his Light from its bearer." The form of Horus which is Ra-Hoor-Khuit comes from Hadit and Nuit through that power which manifests here, present as Baphomet, the union of opposites, the bringing together the pillars and the spheres, the combination of the principals in the holy mystery that lies before us.

This new Aeon of Horus is not some imaginary time in which we will all be saved, nor some abstraction of endtime, nor again some metaphor for inner struggle. It is here this day, a real and

potent expression of the challenges and victories that wait for us outside this Temple space, an indisputable truth of our every day. Of the human race, we are told that in the New Aeon of Horus: "It will suffer from spasms of transitory passion; it will be absurdly sensitive to pain, and suffer from meaningless terror; it will be utterly conscienceless, cruel, helpless, affectionate and ambitious, without knowing why. It will be incapable of reason, yet at the same time intuitively aware of truth."

These names, Nuit and Babalon, Hadit and Chaos, Ra-Hoor-Khuit, who is Horus out of Baphomet, matter not. They are all gods of all time and no gods at all, yet beyond them is one ineffable secret, one greater than all. Bornless one, begetter and manifester of the light which is also darkness, that which dwells in a secret place, whose Mystery we now unfold."

CUE FOR THE VIRGIN

The Entrance of THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN

THE VIRGIN stands before the Gate, wherein is THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN as THE FOOL.

THE VIRGIN draws their sword and makes a pentagram over the Gate then opens the veil with the point of their sword.

CUE FOR THE MESSENGER TO MOVE TO THE BINAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE TO BE READY TO RETRIEVE THE FOOL'S VESTMENTS.

THE FOOL stands within, holding the Lance close to their chest in both hands, elbows extended.

THE VIRGIN draws three pentagrams over the THE FOOL while saying:

*“By the power of Mars which ruleth Iron “★” “I say unto you, come forth and stand before me on the path.” (***)THE FOOL TAKES 1ST STEP(***) “In the name of“★” the Sun.” (***)THE FOOL TAKES SECOND STEP(***) “and of “★” the Force of Life.” (***)THE FOOL TAKES 3RD STEP. (***)*

THE VIRGIN:

“Whence comest thou?”

THE FOOL:

“I have gone all around the earth, and I have walked throughout it, always in darkness. The place I leave behind is filled with the dead and those who await death in darkness, for the food and drink are bitter and do not nourish the spirit.”

THE VIRGIN:

“It is written “The sorrows of pain and regret are left to the dead and the dying, the folk that not know me as yet. What seekest thou?”

THE FOOL:

“Beyond the Gate I seek a place with the light of the sun in the heavens, and healthy herds below, geese in the air, and wine and bread which nourish the spirit as well as the flesh, a place of light, life, love and liberty. Above all I seek the knowledge which is union. Will you join me on my journey?”

THE VIRGIN:

“My nature is of the heavens but “I am divided for love’s sake for the chance of union.” I am all innocence of the Earth. I know all the directions of the compass but I goeth not, but wait and receive. Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE:

“Love is the Law. Love under Will!”

THE VIRGIN steps to the side and sheathes the sword, opening the path to THE FOOL.

THE FOOL:

“From within the Gate by pale moonlight I saw the world stretched out beyond, but here I see three roads to the East where the sun dawns between the peaks of the highest mountains. I am a Fool and I cannot judge which road to take.”

The Purification of THE FOOL

THE VIRGIN takes from the PASSIVE CHILD the water and the salt and mixes them in the font on the Passive Altar.

THE VIRGIN:

“Let the salt of Earth admonish the water to bear the virtue of the Great Sea.”

THE VIRGIN genuflects and says:

“Babalon, Mother of Abominations, Nuit, Infinite Starry Sky, be thou adored! Make pure and strong of purpose the PRIESTX OF THE SUN on their journey to the East.”

THE VIRGIN returns from the font, faces THE FOOL, and draws a pentagram over THE FOOL with salted water between forehead, shoulders, and thighs.

THE VIRGIN:

“Be thou Fool no more, but PRIESTX OF THE SUN, pure of Body and Spirit.”

THE VIRGIN returns the container of salted water to the PASSIVE CHILD.

The Consecration of THE FOOL

THE VIRGIN takes the censer and incense from the ACTIVE CHILD and goes to the Active altar where they put incense onto a burning coal in the censer.

THE VIRGIN:

“Let Fire and Air make sweet the world!”

THE VIRGIN genuflects and says:

“Hadit, Fire and Movement of the Universe, Chaos, Force of Life upon the Earth, be thou adored! Make sacred and joyful the PRIESTX OF THE SUN on their journey to the East!”

THE VIRGIN returns from the Active Altar, faces THE FOOL, and draws a pentagram over THE FOOL with the censer.

THE VIRGIN:

“Be thou more than Fool, THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN, fervent of Body and Spirit.”

THE VIRGIN returns the censer to the ACTIVE CHILD.

The Preparation of THE FOOL

THE MESSENGER turns and retrieves the vestments from the altar.

THE VIRGIN moves to meet THE MESSENGER halfway and takes the vestments.

***WHEN DONE, THE MESSENGER NOW STANDS BY THE PILLAR ON THE
BINAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE, FACING THE TOMB.***

THE VIRGIN robes and crowns THE FOOL.

THE VIRGIN places their hands on the shoulders of THE FOOL.

THE VIRGIN:

*“Be thy heart filled with flame and girt about with a serpent. Go forward upon the path, O
thou Crowned of the Sun!”*

The Refusal

THE FOOL:

“My heart is not aflame.”

THE VIRGIN:

“Canst thou not see now the path?”

THE FOOL:

*“I see the middle road which is called service, but I have no heart for it. I am filled with
dread and shame. I shall not go at all.”*

THE VIRGIN:

*“The road which leads to the City of Pyramids wherein all Knowledge and Understanding
are one, yea and more, is called service. Thou art a child and it is written “How this New Aeon of*

Horus will, how the child will grow up, these are for us to determine, growing ourselves in the way of the Law of Thelema. "Thou hast ill will against the gifts thou hast received."

THE FOOL:

"I am alone. I am looking for God."

THE VIRGIN:

"Look not to find God at the end of the road. Know rather that the road shall reveal God within thee. The serpent flame I raise is stronger, but thou knowest not. Let us adore the Lance that thy flame shall consume mine innocence and set me into motion. While thou shalt be no more the Fool, and yet inspired by wine, the Fool forever more."

CUE FOR THE MESSENGER TO STEP TO THE LEFT, LINING UP WITH THE ACTIVE AND PASSIVE ALTARS

The Adoration of the Lance

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN holds the Lance while THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH kneels and strokes it eleven times. Start from the bottom going upwards so that on the eleventh stroke the hands can be naturally thrown upwards.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH throws up hands on the eleventh stroke and says passionately:

"Thou art God!"

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH remains kneeling.

THE MESSENGER:

"All Hail!"

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing Sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“That I am, I also invoke. By the power of the lifted Lance!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN holds aloft the Lance.

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing Sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN grounds the Lance and moves it to the right.

CUE FOR THE MESSENGER TO MOVE IN LINE WITH THE PILLAR ON THE CHOKMAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE TO BE READY TO TAKE THE LANCE WHEN THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN PASSES IT

The Enthronement of THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“I, crowned and girt, Priestx of the Sun take thee pure,” and holds out their hand for the PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH to take and helps them to their feet.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“I upraise thee from innocence. I lead thee to the East.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN leads the PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH to the High Altar, their hands joined and passing over the Active and Passive Altars. THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN passes the Lance to THE MESSENGER, who waits by the stairs.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH removes their sword and girdle and places them on the Altar, out of the way.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN assists THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH in being seated on the Altar.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“I set thee at the Crown of the World!”

CUE FOR THE CHILDREN TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THEIR IMPLEMENTS FROM THEIR PLACES AT THE TOMB TO STAND BESIDE THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN takes the Book of the Law from its place above the Altar and hands it to THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH who holds it open on their chest with their hands in a descending triangle.

The Purification of THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN takes the vessel of salted water from the PASSIVE CHILD, wets their fingers in the water, and draws a Pentagram over THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH between forehead, shoulders, and thighs.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Be purified by salt of Earth and water! Babalon, Mother of Abominations, Nuit, Infinite Starry Sky, pour out unto THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH understanding of the Mystery of Mysteries!”

The Consecration of THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN gives back the vessel of water to the PASSIVE CHILD, takes the censer from the ACTIVE CHILD and draws a Pentagram over THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH between forehead, shoulders, and thighs.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Let Fire and Air make sweet the world! Hadit, Fire and Movement of the Universe, Chaos, Force of Life upon the Earth, enflame within THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH wisdom in apprehension of the Mystery of Mysteries!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN gives the censer back to the ACTIVE CHILD.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN kisses the Book of the Law three times and kneels in adoration.

CUE FOR THE CHILDREN TO MOVE TO THEIR ALTARS

THE CHILDREN move to and place their implements on their respective Altars then move to their positions flanking THE MESSENGER. Relieved of their implements, THE CHILDREN should stand and walk in the attitude of the Sign of Osiris Risen.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

"I adore thee. I bid thee take the sacrifice of my life. Pourest my blood into thy cup that I may be raised up in the City of Pyramids!"

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

"Not I, must thou, adore but thee, self of thyself. All things are the same. It is written "enjoy all things of sense and rapture. Fear not that any God shall deny thee for this." and this also, "Beauty and strength, leaping laughter and delicious languor, force and fire are of us." Go therefore and know that thou mayest become worthy of sacrifice."

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

"How will I so recently shed of childhood grow up in the way of the Law of Thelema?"

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

"Behold! There are three ordeals in one and it may be given in three ways. The gross must pass through fire. Let the fine be tried in intellect, and the lofty ones in the highest. Thus ye have star & star, system & system, let not one know well the other!"

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN stands, steps back, and says:

"Now let there be a Veiling of this shrine."

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN draws the Veil over the whole High Altar. They turn to face the Temple and say,

"Now let the light devour us and eat us up with blindness!"

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH disrobes.

The Ordeal of THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN retrieves the Lance and holds it in front of themselves as before, upright and close to the chest. They then slowly circumambulate the Temple three times, followed by THE MESSENGER and THE CHILDREN. At the last circumambulation THE MESSENGER and THE CHILDREN take their respective positions between the Active and Passive altars.

THE PEOPLE and THE CHILDREN are prompted by THE MESSENGER to kneel and adopt the “horseshoe” pose.

The Ascent of the PRIESTX OF THE SUN

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN mounts the first step, or takes the first step toward the High Altar and says:

“Nuit, Infinite one of the Starry Night Sky, of which our Sun is but one Star in the company of stars, thou who art all time and all space. Unknowable mother of all energy, thou art known to us through Babalon, Mother of Abominations. Before you our mind is bewildered, our understanding dark. In love alone may we attain knowledge of you. Of your invocation it is written:

“Then the priest answered and said unto the Queen of Space, kissing her lovely brows, and the dew of her light bathing his whole body in a sweet-smelling perfume of sweat. O Nuit, continuous one of Heaven, let it be ever thus; that men speak not of thee as One but as None; and let them speak not of thee at all since thou art continuous!”

The Speech of THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

“But to love me is better than all things. If under the night-stars in the desert, thou presently burnest mine incense before me, invoking me with a pure heart, and the serpent flame therein, thou shalt come a little to lie in my bosom. For one kiss will thou then be willing to give all? But whoso gives one partide of dust shall lose all in that hour. Ye shall gather goods and store of men, women, and spices! Ye shall wear rich jewels! Ye shall exceed the nations of the Earth in splendor and pride, but always in the love of me, and so shall ye come to my joy. I charge you earnestly to come before me in a single robe and covered with a rich headdress. I love you! I yearn to you! Pale or purple, Veiled or voluptuous, I who am all pleasure and purple, and drunkenness of the innermost sense, desire you. Put on the wings and arouse the coiled splendor within you! Come unto me! To me! To me! Sing the rapturous love song unto me! Burn to me perfumes! Wear to me jewels! Drink to me, for I love you! I love you! I am the blue-lidded daughter of sunset. I am the naked brilliance of the voluptuous night sky! To me! To me!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN mounts the second step or takes the second step forward and says:

“O Hadit, secret principle hidden in the being of all things, energy of Chaos, energy of all that moves, self of myself. I am the flame that burns in the heart of man, and in the core of every star. I am Life and the Giver of Life; yet therefore is the knowledge of me the knowledge of death...I am alone; there is no God where I am.”

THE MESSENGER stands and says:

“But ye, O my people rise up and awake!”

THE MESSENGER bids THE PEOPLE to rise, gives THE PEOPLE a moment to stand, and when ALL have risen THE MESSENGER says:

*“Let the rituals be rightly performed with joy and beauty!
There are rituals of the elements and feasts of the times.
A feast for the first night of the Prophet and his Bride!
A feast for the three days of the writing of the Book of the Law.
A feast for Tahuti and the children of the prophet-secret, O Prophet!
A feast for the Supreme Ritual, and a feast for the Equinox of the Gods.
A feast for fire and a feast for water, a feast for life, and a greater feast for death.
A feast every day in your hearts in the joy of my rapture!
A feast every night unto Nu, and the pleasure of uttermost delight!”*

CUE FOR PRIESTX OF THE SUN

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN mounts the third step or takes the third step forward and says:

*“Baphomet, Serpent and Lion, embodiment of all creation and the generation of life,
greater than every God, breath of life that maketh every God even and Death to tremble before
Thee. Horus, who art more than Horus, uttermost unity of energy and matter, by the sign of Light
(*** A cross may be drawn with the Lance***) appear Thou glorious upon the throne of the Sun!
Make open the path of wisdom! Enlighten our understanding! Encourage our hearts! Enflame in us
the power of creation and of intelligence, below in our bodies as it is above.”*

CUE FOR THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH

PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

“There is no law beyond do what thou wilt!”

The Opening of the Veil

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN opens the Veil with their Lance.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Io, Io, Io, IAO, Power of Life, Power of Death, Power of the Risen God, Power of the Creation of Life. Io Pan, Pan, Power of engenderment, Io Pan, dissolution of all. Hail the Gods strong, undying, unchanging. Hail the mighty Gods. Hail the Gods of Destruction _____. Hail the Gods who create life anew _____. In the Heavens and in the Earth, thrice blessed are they. Hagios! Hagios! Hagios! VIAOV!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH is seated on the Altar with the Grail in their right hand and the Paten in their left.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH places the Grail and Paten down on the Altar.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN presents the Lance which THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH kisses eleven times and then holds it to their breast in whichever manner suits them.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN goes to their knees, stretches out their arms along the thighs of the PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH, only if this is acceptable. THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN may adore the PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH during the reading of the The Mysteries if this is consented to beforehand.

THE MESSENGER bids THE PEOPLE to sit.

The Mysteries

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! THE SUN: Visible and sensible ruler of diurnal heavens of whom this Earth is but a frozen spark tracing one eternal arc about thy hub. Source of light, source of life, let thy perpetual radiance hearten us in our labors, in our times of joy, so that as we partake of thy light and the fruit of thy light we may also bring to those around us illumination, sustenance, and joy. Let thy brilliance penetrate our minds and hearts, that we may apprehend the source of thy light, the star that burns in the heart of each of us.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! THE NIGHT: visible and sensible ruler of nocturnal stars, countless in the mansions of the Heavens, blue curtained bed of all promise, canopy of seven lamps eternal, house of the horned hunter and the silvered bow, hung with dew-filled orb which illuminates darkness and dispels the terror of abyssal night. Vault where time itself bears witness, be present with us in all things, and from thy endless domain. Source of all matter, let us be vouchsafed the stuff of stars, within and without ourselves, that we may mold and create. Each according to our Will.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! PRINCIPLE OF MOTION: secret principle of all that moves, fire of passion, force of animation, spark of life. Thou who sitteth formidable and strong on the throne of the East

as the Sun, thou who art called Hadit, who is one, thou who encompasses Chaos and the Beast Therion, and all those principles which force, propel to action, or engender, and thou who hast a secret name inside our hearts and in our minds. Accordest to us the Word of Wisdom that we may divine thy holy mysteries.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! PRINCIPLE OF SUBSTANCE: secret principle of all that is and can be felt, flesh of life, stone of the pyramids, fruits of Earth which sustain life. Those whose sensual body archeth the Night Sky as the Starry Heavens, those who art called Nuit who is all, thou who encompass Babalon, and the Scarlet Whore, and all those things which are, form changing and unchanging, meat and milk, and brick and tool of steel. Accordest to us the Nourishment of Understanding that we may divine thy holy mysteries.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! PRINCIPLE OF UNION: secret principle of the union and equilibrium of opposites who art also the spectrum of their difference, collision of sperm and egg and germination of

seed. Thou who art known to us through Baphomet, androgyne, architect of the supernal triad, reagent of the Chemical Marriage. Thou who were to the alchemists of old the principle of Mercury, accorded to us the moment of ecstasy in art, in inner knowledge and attainment, and in our lovers' embrace."

THE MESSENGER:

"All Hail!"

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

"So mote it be!"

THE MESSENGER:

"Behold! THE CHILD: power of innocence, power of renewal, triumph of life over death, whose hieroglyph is the Fool. Makest us to understand our own impotence, and that to which we may attain as come into adulthood and seize the power of creation for our own. We are thou and thou art us, between us there is no division, for all things are one. Let us attain the formula of initiation in the New Aeon, which rejects the cycle of death and rebirth, but knows truly that attainment is as the growth of a child into the fullness of years that we may every day initiate. Let us taste life, and err, and learn that our daily aspiration not be Osiris dead and risen, but Bacchus transformed into Pan."

THE MESSENGER:

"All Hail!"

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

"So mote it be!"

THE MESSENGER:

"Behold! THE STARS: Mystery of Mysteries, the one true God and the essence of the one true God, each of us one Star in the Company of Stars. In the vast blue sea of space is a sun and each

of us a God, unbound by death, infinite and limitless, apprehending the measureless mystery of Godhead shrouded in our flesh. Yet even as we are, so are all who came before, continuing knowledge from generation unto generation, preserving and shaping understanding of this one true mystery. Upon heaths and in woods, on mountains and in caves, openly in the marketplaces and secretly in the chambers of our houses, in temples of gold and ivory and marble, as we in these temples of our bodies commemorate them of old who did adore thee and manifest thy glory unto all the peoples.

Among these:

Lau-tzu (LAU-dzuh) and Sophia (So-PHIA), and Siddhartha (Sid-ARH-tah), and Krishna (KRISH-nah), Tahuti (Tah-HOO-tee), Anath (AH-nath), Mosheh (MO-shay), Dionysus (DYE-o-nie-sis), Hekate (HECK-ate), Mohammed (Moh-HA-med), Fatimah (FAH-tee-Mah), and To Mega Therion (to-MEH-ga-THE-ree-ohn). And with these also: Hermes (HER-mees), Asherah (ASH-er-ah), Baal-Ammon (BAY-al-Amun), Astarte (A-start-ay), Pan (PAN), Isis (I-sis), Osiris (oh-SY-ris), and Melchizedek (Mel-KEY-ze-deck), Herades (HERA-dees), Medea (Me-DAY-ah), Orpheus (OR-fee-us), and Odysseus (O-diss-EE-us), with Sapho (SA-pho), Catullus (Kah-TOOL-is), Rabelais (RAH-blay), and many a holy bard; Marcellina (MAR-sell-ee-NAH), Simon Magus (SY-mon MA-gus), Manes (MAHN-yay), Cyprianus (Sip-REE-ah-nuss), Esdarmonda de Fois (ES-dar-mon-dah Day-FWAS), Jules Doinel (Jewels DWA-nell), and Jean Bricaud (JON-bri-CODE), that transmitted the light of the Gnosis to us their successors and their heirs; with Merlin (MER-lin), Morgen (MORE-gen), Arthur (AR-thur), Gwenhyfar (GWEN-e-vere), Kundry (KUN-dry), and Parsifal (Par-si-FAL), and many another prophet, priest, and king, that bore the Cup and the Lance, the Sword and Disk, against ignorance and darkness; and these also Charlemagne (SHAR-le-mane) and his Paladins, Jacques de Molay (JOCK-dee MOW-lay) Templar and Martyr, Christian Rosenkruetz (KRIS-tee-ahn ROH-zen-kroits), Rabia al Basri (RAH-bee-ah-al BAS-ree), The Lady of Maradea (MARE-a-day-ah), Cornelius Agrippa (CORN-eel-ee-us AH-grip-pa), Michael Maier (MAY-er), Paracelsus (para-SELL-sis), Marsilio Ficino (MAR-see-lee-oh FI-sin-oh), Mary Wöllenstonecroft (WALL-in-stone-croft), Sir Edward Kelly, Adam Weishapt (WISE-hoff), Marie Laveau (LA-voh), William Blake, Alphonse Louis

Constant (ALF-on-SAYLOO-ee CON-stant), Florence Farr, Ida Craddock, Friedrich Nietzsche (FREED-rick NEAT-chay), Madame Helena Blavatsky (BLAH-vat-sky), Doctor Theodor Reuss (TAY-oh-door Royss), Edith Rose Kelley, Leila Waddell, Leah Hirsig (HER-sig), Sir Aleister Crowley, Lady Frieda Harris, John Whiteside Parsons, Marjorie Cameron, Evelina Phyllis Seckler, and Grady McMurry-Oh Children of the Fire and Water! With all thy saints we worthily commemorate them worthy, that were, and are, and are to come. May their Essence be here present, potent, puissant, and paternal to perfect this feast!"

THE MESSENGER:

"All Hail!"

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

"So mote it be!"

CONDENSED LIST: *"Lau-tzu, and Sophia, and Krishna, Tahuti, Dionysus, Hekate, Mohammed, Fatimah, and with these also, Hermes, Asherah, Pan, Isis, Osiris, Melchizedek, Orpheus and Odysseus, with Sappho, Rabelais, and many a holy bard; Marcellina, Simon Magus, Cyprianus, Esclarmonda de Foix, that transmitted the light of the Gnosis to us their successors and their heroes; with Merlin, Morgen, Kundry, and Parsifal and many another prophet, priest, and king, that bore the Cup and the Lance, the Sword and Disk against ignorance and darkness; and these also Jacques de Molay, Templar and Martyr, Christian Rosencruetz, Rabia al Basri, Marsilio Ficino, Mary Wallenstonecroft, Marie Laveau, William Blake, Alphonse Louis Constant, Florence Farr, Madame Helena Blavatsky, Doctor Theodor Ruess, Edith Rose Kelley, Leila Waddell, Leah Hirsig, Sir Aleister Crowley, Lady Frieda Harris, John Whiteside Parsons, Marjorie Cameron, Evelina Phyllis Seckler, and Grady Louis McMurry-Oh Children of the Fire and Water! With all thy saints we worthily commemorate them worthy that were, are, and are to come. May their Essence be here present, potent, puissant, and paternal to perfect this feast!"*

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! BIRTH: Womb of Earth, source of all that nourishes and feeds, and brings forth life, mother of fertility on whose breast lieth water, whose cheek is caressed by air, and in whose heart is the Sun’s fire, make fruitful the surface of the Earth and bring forth life in nourishing abundance and health in fruit and grain. In all that liveth, and in our minds bring forth new wisdom and creativity and fixity of purpose that daily is mirrored in the mirade of birth.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER bids THE PEOPLE to stand and says:

“Behold! THE ACT OF UNION: upon all who unite with Love under Will let fall success, each according to their Will; may passion and flesh unite to bring forth ecstasy and harmony, and beauty answer beauty.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! DEATH: term of all that liveth, whose name is inscrutable, be favorable unto us in thine hour; Unto them from whose eyes the Veil of Life hath fallen may there be granted the accomplishment of their true Wills; whether they will absorption in the Infinite, or to be united with their chosen and preferred, or to be in contemplation, or to be at peace, or to achieve the labour and heroism of incarnation on this planet or another, or in any Star, or aught else, unto them may there be granted the accomplishment of their Wills; yea, the accomplishment of their Wills.”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER:

“Behold! WILL: thou hast no right but to do thy Will. It is written that each individual has an absolute and indefeasible right to use their sexual vehicle in accordance with their own proper character, and that they are responsible only to themselves. Unto us grant the wisdom and understanding to achieve the crown of attainment that is our Will, yea that is our Will. Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE:

“Love is the Law, Love under Will!”

THE MESSENGER:

“All Hail!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE give the Hailing sign and say:

“So mote it be!”

THE MESSENGER directs THE PEOPLE to sit.

The Anthem

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN stands and says:

“Thou who art I, beyond all I am”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

“Who hast no nature and no name.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Who art, when all but Thou are gone”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

“Thou, centre and secret of the Sun”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Thou, hidden spring of all things known”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

“And unknown, Thou aloof, alone.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

*“Thou the true fire within the reed
Brooding and breeding, source and seed
Of life, love, liberty, and light,
Thou beyond speech and beyond sight,
Thee I invoke, my faint fresh fire*

Kindling as mine intents aspire”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

*“Thee I invoke, abiding one,
Thee centre and secret of the Sun,
And that most holy mystery,
Of which the vehicle am I.
Appear most awful and most mild,
As it is lawful, in thy child!”*

The Chorus: THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE:

*“For of the Father and the Son
The Holy Spirit is the norm;
Male-female, quintessential one
One being veiled in Woman-form.
Glory and worship in the highest,
Thou Dove, mankind that deifiest,
Being that race, most royally run
To spring sunshine through winter storm.
Glory and worship be to Thee,
Sap of the world-ash wonder-tree!”*

CHOKMAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee from Gilded Tomb!”

BINAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee from Waiting Womb!”

CHOKMAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee from Earth unploughed!”

BINAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee from virgin vowed!”

CHOKMAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee, true Unity of the Eternal Trinity!”

BINAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee, thou sire and dam, and self of I am that I am!”

CHOKMAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee, beyond all term, Thy spring of sperm, thy seed and germ!”

BINAH SIDE OF THE TEMPLE:

“Glory to Thee, eternal Sun, Thou One in Three, Thou Three in One!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE:

“Glory and worship unto Thee, Sap of the world-ash, wonder tree!”

The Consecration of the Elements

The Consecration of the Bread

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN takes back the Lance.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH raises the Grail and Paten.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN draws a pentagram to consecrate the Grail and Paten.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH returns the Grail to the Altar by their side and lifts the Paten with both hands before them.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN genuflects

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH says:

“Source of life upon Earth, fruit of labour, sustenance of endeavor, thus be thou nourishment of the Spirit!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN stands and places their free hand beneath the Paten then draws a pentagram over the Paten with the Lance.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN touches the Lance to the Host on the Paten and says:

“By the virtue of the fire of motion, be this Bread the Body of God!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN releases the Paten and genuflects.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH raises the Paten with both hands and tilts it slightly to make it visible to THE PEOPLE.

THE MESSENGER strikes the bell.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN rises, picks up the Host, holds it, and says::

“This is my body which is given to be devoured completely, consumed in one act of initiation, immediate and eternal!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN replaces the Host on the Paten.

The Consecration of the Wine

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH holds the Paten on their lap and lifts the Grail with both hands before them.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN genuflects and allows THE PEOPLE to see the Grail.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH:

“Vehicle of the joy of Man upon Earth, solace of labour, inspiration of endeavor, thus be thou ecstasy of the Spirit!”

THE MESSENGER rings the bell once.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN stands and places their free hand under the Grail then draws a pentagram over the Grail with the Lance.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN touches the Lance to the Grail and says:

“By the virtue of the fire of motion, be this Wine the Blood of God!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN releases the Grail and genuflects.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH raises the Grail.

THE MESSENGER strikes the bell.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH raise both Paten and Grail together.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN rises and says:

“This is my blood which is given into the Cup of Babalon, that I may be drained of all life and all sense of self!”

THE MESSENGER strikes the bell.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN expands their arms and looks up facing the High Altar.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH mimics the motion and says:

“Let this offering be borne through the Aethyrs to the throne of the Sun!”

THE MESSENGER strikes the bell three times.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN kisses the PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH in such fashion that is agreeable to both, then genuflects, and says:

“Here thee all, Saints of the one true Gnostic Church of Light, Life, Love, and Liberty, now essentially present, that we here today assembled, take our places as your heirs, claiming fellowship, favor, and protection in the name of (intones) IAO!”

IAO IS A CUE FOR THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH TO HOLD THE PATEN OVER THE GRAIL UNTIL AFTER “THE PAEN”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH holds the Paten over the Grail and raises them.

The Paen

A Ka Dua:

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN stands and says or sings:

“A ka dua

Tuf ur biu

Bi a’ a chefu

Dudu nur af an nuteru”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH swings their arms open and holds the Paten and Grail out to their sides.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN genuflects.

The Alchemical Union

The Blessing

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH puts down the Grail, holds the Paten with both hands, and says:

“Lord most secret, bless this spiritual food unto our bodies, bestowing upon us health and wealth, and strength, and joy, and peace, and that fulfillment of Will, and Love under Will that is perpetual happiness!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN rises, holding the Lance up in their right hand and taking the Host with their left hand. They hold the Host above the tip of the Lance, slowly turn desoiled, and say:

“Be this Bread the power of Life, the spark of ignition, all sperm and germ which gives rise to Life upon Earth as it is in the Heavens.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN replaces the Host on the Paten and genuflects.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH replaces the Paten on the Altar, raises the Grail with both hands.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN rises, holding the Lance up in their right hand and taking the Grail with their left hand. They hold the Grail above the tip of the Lance, slowly turn desoil, and say:

“Be this Wine the source of Life, well of flesh and blood, and bone and stone, and all that comes to pass upon the Earth as it is in the Heavens.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH takes back the Grail.

The Consummation

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN places their left hand under the Grail and says:

“Let these be united with Love under Will.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN releases the Grail and picks up the Host with their left hand.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH supports the Grail with their right hand and reaches up to take hold of the Lance with their left hand.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN holds the host above the rim of the Grail between thumb and forefinger.

Both PRIESTXES raise the Lance and whisper;

“HRILIU”

Both PRIESTXES depress the Lance tip into the Grail and THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN touches the Host to the surface of the wine.

Both PRIESTXES lower the Lance and THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN retains it.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH retains the Grail.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN replaces the Host on the Paten, genuflects, then rises.

The Invocation

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Spark and seed of life, force of labour, force of union, which bringeth together all things, making them one and none, accept this our sacrifice of blood and the essence of life.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH takes the Host from the Paten and raises the Host and Grail.

Both PRIESTXES say:

“Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN genuflects.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH replaces the Grail on the Altar, places the Host on the Paten, and offers it to the PRIESTX OF THE SUN with both hands.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN rises and draws a pentagram over the Paten, takes the Host, turns desoil toward THE PEOPLE, and says:

“In my mouth be the essence of the life of the Sun!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN consumes the Host.

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH replaces the Paten on the Altar while the Host is being consumed and picks up the Grail and holds it with both hands.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN turns back to face the the High Altar, draws a pentagram over the Grail, takes it, turns desoil toward THE PEOPLE, and says:

“In my mouth be the essence of the joy of the Earth!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN consumes the Wine.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN turns back to face the High Altar, hands the Grail back to THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH, who places it on the Altar.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN turns toward THE PEOPLE, crosses their arms in the attitude of Osiris Risen, and says:

“There is no part of me that is not of the Gods!”

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE:

“There is no part of the Gods that is not also of us!”

THE MESSENGER bids THE PEOPLE to be seated until their turn to commune.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN may kneel before THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH, stand to one side, or sit as a sentry on the steps.

THE CHILDREN move to their places before the High Altar and pick up the Hosts and Wine.

THE PEOPLE are organized by THE MESSENGER and they advance forward to take the Host and Wine offered by THE CHILDREN. They consume the Communion and say:

“There is no part of me that is not of the Gods!”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH allows THE PEOPLE to approach the Veil to whichever extent they are comfortable with.

Once THE PEOPLE have all taken Communion THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN stands next to THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS AND EARTH.

The Epilogue

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS:

“Thou art that, and that am I.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Thou art self of myself.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS:

“I am the cirde and the point. I am all things and none.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

“Between us there is no difference.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS:

"It is given, thou who hast become Master of the Temple, that thou might dwellest here in the City of Pyramids."

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN:

"Service, yea service. I will walk throughout the Earth, that where there is darkness there shall be light, and where there is privation and the want of sustenance shall be nourishment."

THE PRIESTX OF THE HEAVENS:

"Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law!"

THE MESSENGER and THE PEOPLE:

"Love is the Law, Love under Will."

The Blessing

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN steps forward to the edge of the Veil, closes it, and takes their first step down or forward. With the Lance they draw a pentagram over the Temple while saying:

"Be ye blessed of the one True God that is Self of Thysel"

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN takes another step down or forward. With the Lance they draw a pentagram over the Temple while saying:

"May the apprehension of the Mystery of Mysteries enlighten your minds, comfort your hearts, and sustain your bodies."

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN takes the third step down or forward. With the Lance they draw a pentagram over the Temple while saying:

“May the fire of life and force of motion bring you to the accomplishment of your true Wills, the Great Work, the Greater Good, True Wisdom, and Perfect Happiness.”

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN walks toward the Tomb, followed by THE CHILDREN and THE MESSENGER.

THE PRIESTX OF THE SUN enters the Tomb, THE CHILDREN take their original places flanking the Tomb, and THE MESSENGER closes the Tomb.

The Dismissal

THE MESSENGER:

“Thou hast no right but to do thy Will. Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.”

THE PEOPLE:

“Love is the Law. Love under Will.”

THE MESSENGER opens the door, draws the curtain, or otherwise directs THE PEOPLE out of the Temple and secures the door.

