The Introductory Rites

Greeting

The Priest:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The people reply:

A-men.

Then the Priest, extending his hands, greets the people, singing:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Or:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Or:

The Lord be with you.

The people reply:

And with your spirit.

In this first greeting, a Bishop, in place of The Lord be with you, says:

Peace be with you.
Penitential Act

The Priest invites the faithful to make the Penitential Act:

Brethren (Brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.
The Priest then sings:

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

The people reply:

For we have sinned against you.

The Priest:

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

The people:

And grant us your salvation.

The absolution by the Priest follows:

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

The people reply:

A-men.
Or:
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Brethren (Brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.
The Priest, or a Deacon, or another minister, then sings the following or other invocations with Kýrie, eléison (Lord, have mercy):

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

The people reply:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Or:

Kýrie, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.

The Priest:

You came to call sinners:

The people:

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Or:

Christe, eléison. Christe, eléison.
The Priest:

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:

The people:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Or:


The absolution by the Priest follows:

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

The people reply:

A-men.
Kýrie

The Kyrie (Lord, have mercy) invocations follow, unless they have just occurred in a formula of the Penitential Act


Or:

V. Lord, have mer-cy.  R. Lord, have mer-cy.

V. Christ, have mer-cy.  R. Christ, have mer-cy

V. Lord, have mer-cy.  R. Lord, have mer-cy.
Gloria

Then, when it is prescribed, this hymn is sung:

Easter Season (Missa I)

IV

Gló-ri-a in ex-cél-sis De-o.

Sundays in Ordinary Time (Missa XI)

II

Gló-ri-a in ex-cél-sis De-o.

Solemnities and Feasts (Missa VIII)

V

Gló-ri-a in ex-cél-sis De-o.

Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Missa IX)

VII

Gló-ri-a in ex-cél-sis De-o.

Feasts of the Apostles (Missa IV)

IV

Gló-ri-a in ex-cél-sis De-o.

Or:

Glo-ry to God in the high-est,

and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you,

we give you thanks for your great glo-ry,
Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might-y Fa-ther.

Lord Je-sus Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther,

you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us;

you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer;

you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us.

For you a- lone are the Ho-ly One, you a- lone are the Lord,

you a- lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A- men.