

Chapter 1

Sunday Within the Octave of Corpus Christi

1.1 Overview

This ceremony is nearly identical to that of Corpus Christi itself, with the exception of the *Asperges*. There is also a greater chance that there will be a sermon on this day rather than on the feast itself, so that procedure shall be explained here.

1.2 Asperges

1.2.1 Exposition

The procession and exposition are performed in the same manner as on the feast itself.

After the incensation of the Blessed Sacrament, the ministers remain kneeling. The MC gets the aspersorium (or better, an acolyte brings it to him) towards the end of the hymn sung during the incensation, and he signals all in choir to rise for the *Asperges*.

1.2.2 Asperges

There are a few differences from the usual ceremony:

1. Per the rules *coram sanctissimo*, the *oscula* are omitted.
2. The altar is not sprinkled¹.
3. Ministers double genuflect before processing out of the sanctuary. All three must take care to walk obliquely down the aisle, to avoid turning their backs completely on the Blessed Sacrament.
4. When turning back towards the altar, all three must take care not to complete a 360 degree turn.

¹Check this one.

1.3 Sermon