Liturgies for Catholic Schools Week 2020

(Adaptable as the Liturgy of the Word)
The space can be set up very simply, using candles and Catholic symbols such as water, a cross, and Bible/Lectionary. The use of incense can be very effective also.

(Readings taken from the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C)

Entrance Song: Jesus Christ, You Are My Life
(Marco Frisina)

Penitential Rite:
Leader: Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and Prince of Peace. Lord have mercy.
All: Lord have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary. Christ have mercy.
All: Christ have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father. Lord have mercy.
All: Lord have mercy.

(You may consider singing the ‘Lord Have Mercy’ each time. See Sing the Mass, Glendalough Mass by Fr Liam Lawton)

First Reading:

Psalm: Psalm 33:1-9

Second Reading:
A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Romans (1:18-23).

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, Alleluia!
The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives.
Alleluia!

Gospel Reading:
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John (1:1-14).

Prayers of Intercession:
(Source: The Roman Missal)
1. For the holy Church of God, that the Lord may graciously watch over her and care for her, let us pray to the Lord.
   All: Grant this, almighty God.

2. For the peoples of all the world, that the Lord may graciously preserve harmony among them, let us pray to the Lord.
   All: Grant this, almighty God.

3. For all who are oppressed by any kind of need, that the Lord may graciously grant them relief, let us pray to the Lord.
   All: Grant this, almighty God.

4. For ourselves and our own community, that the Lord may graciously receive us as a sacrifice acceptable to himself, let us pray to the Lord.
   All: Grant this, almighty God.

Priest’s Prayer: O God, our refuge and our strength, hear the prayers of your Church, for you yourself are the source of all devotion, and grant, that what we ask in faith we may truly obtain. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Prayer service could end here, followed by a suitable piece of music.)

Recommendation: Eucharistic Prayer II

Music Suggestions:
1. Let the Peoples Praise you, O God (Bernard Sexton)
2. The Lord Hears the Cry of the Poor (Liam Lawton)
3. Deep and Lasting Peace (Michael Joncas)
4. Let all Creation Sing (David Ogden)
5. Brother Sun, Sister Moon (Geraldine Flanagan)
6. Tar Anuas, A Spioraid Naoimh (Ite O’Donovan)
7. The Beatitudes (Giovanna Feeley)
8. I Will Bless Your Name Forever (Helen Walsh)
9. Seinn Alleluia (Ronan McDonagh)
10. Alleluia, Praise the Lord all you Nations (Fintain O’Carroll)