

THIRD EDITION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL



On the first Sunday of Advent 2011, the Third Edition of the Roman Missal will be used for the first time in all English language liturgies.

Between now and then, dioceses will spend time in study and prayer. In the Diocese of Rochester, parish staffs will prepare themselves and their people to celebrate this graced moment in the life of the Church.

The Bishops of the United States have asked that dioceses and parishes use this liturgical year to provide opportunities for people to grow in their knowledge

and love of the Eucharist so that they can enjoy full, active and conscious participation at Mass.

Parish staffs should prepare themselves by:

- Getting educated about the new Missal
- Growing in appreciation of the Eucharist
- Reflecting on the sacramental heritage of the Church
- Exploring the spirituality of the liturgy
- Deepening their theological understanding of Eucharist
- Witnessing to the power of Eucharist in the believing community

Parish staffs should plan how they will assist their communities to prepare to receive the new Roman Missal by asking themselves:

- How will we help our community grow in knowledge and love of Eucharist?
- How will we educate our parish about the changes in the words we pray?
- How will we foster full, active and conscious participation in Eucharist?

Go to <http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal> or <http://www.bostoncatholic.org/newromangmissal.aspx> for inspiration and information.

Who is preparing to receive the new Missal?



PARISH STAFFS/COMMITTEES

Does your parish have a great idea about how to prepare your community to receive the Third Edition of the Roman Missal?

Share it with others. Send your ideas to mancini@dor.org with NRMbest in the subject line and we'll put them in the next newsletter.



OUR CLERGY

Preaching on the Missal

To begin the Diocesan-wide preparation process, Bishop Clark has indicated that on the Sundays of February 2011, every homilist will preach on the parts of the Mass. Later in the year, homilists will talk about the Trinitarian nature of our liturgical prayer and the Eucharist as the center, source and summit of Christian life.

The Department of Evangelization and Catechesis will provide lesson plans so that volunteer catechists and Catholic School teachers can complement the preaching on those Sundays. Lesson plans for February will be in diocesan updates on January 7.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION IS A KEY TIME TO INCLUDE CATECHESIS ON THE PARTS OF THE MASS AND THE CENTRALITY OF THE EUCHARIST. TAKE A MOMENT TO REVIEW YOUR SESSIONS FOR FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION AND DETERMINE HOW TO INCLUDE CATECHESIS ON THE PARTS OF THE MASS AND HOW TO PRAY THE MASS FOR PARENTS, FAMILIES, AND CANDIDATES.

USE THE **BECOMING ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT IN CHRIST** DVD TO EXPLORE THE PARTS OF THE MASS.

ON CATECHETICAL SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011, THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF THE UNITED STATES WILL BEGIN FORMAL CATECHESIS ON THE CONTENT AND LANGUAGE OF THE NEW NEW MISSAL. HOW WILL YOU EDUCATE AND PREPARE YOUR COMMUNITY FOR THESE CHANGES? WHAT'S YOUR FIRST STEP?

If you can only purchase one resource to support your parish efforts, buy **Becoming One Body, One Spirit in Christ** from

<http://www.usccbpublishing.org>, product code 88907, cost \$19.95. This interactive DVD (for use in computers only) includes several topics, drop down menus, background articles and interviews with theologians, liturgists, presiders and ordinary people. It breaks open many dimensions of the Third Edition of the Roman Missal.

If you do not want to purchase this resource, you can borrow it from the diocesan AV Resource library. According to the copyright manager at the USCCB, the copyright permits public viewing of this resource for formation of parish staffs, parish committees, catechists and for adult faith formation. E & C will provide a comprehensive plan for your use of this resource.

PREPARING YOURSELF



USE THE NEXT FEW MONTHS TO RENEW YOUR OWN LOVE OF LITURGY IN PREPARATION FOR RECEIVING THE NEW MISSAL. PARTICIPATE IN MORNINGS OF REFLECTION ON TIMOTHY RADCLIFFE'S BOOK "WHY GO TO CHURCH"

FAITH: FEB 1, 2011 (WITH BR. ANTHONY WEBER) ABBEY OF THE GENESEE, PIFFARD, 9-NOON

HOPE: MARCH 2, 2011 (WITH DONNA DELSANTO, SSJ) SBSTM, 9-NOON

LOVE: APRIL 6, 2011 (WITH FR. ROBERT RING) STELLA MARIS RETREAT CENTER, SKANEATELES, 9-NOON, INCLUDES LUNCH

\$15 PER SESSION,
CALL E&C FOR MORE INFORMATION (SYLVIA, X1295)

The Department of Evangelization and Catechesis has already provided you with several resources you can use for your own enrichment or for the formation of volunteer catechists, Catholic School teachers, liturgical ministers, parish committees or adults in your parish. The resources listed here are helpful for the period of preparation to receive the Third Edition of the Roman Missal. View them yourself, then develop questions that can be used as discussion starters with the group. Next, pick a date, do the advertising, and host a session! Or, make the materials available online or to borrow and schedule a virtual session!

DVDs

Liturgy with Fr. Robert Kennedy

Eucharist: Journey Between Memory and Hope with Dr. David Stosur

The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist with Dr. David Stosur

Marks of the Church with Fr. George Heyman

Adolescent Catechesis Videos online

God is Trinity: Jesus Christ is Trinitarian

Jesus and Us Together