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NAVIGATING THE *ROMAN MISSAL*: EASTER TIME

GLOSSARY

What was:	Is now:
Proper of Seasons	Proper of Time
Easter Season	Easter Time
Easter Sunday	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
(Mass of) Easter Sunday	At the Mass during the Day
Second Sunday of Easter	Second Sunday of Easter (or of Divine Mercy)
Second Week of Easter (et al.)	Weekdays after the Second Sunday of Easter (et al.)
Ascension	Ascension of the Lord
Pentecost	Pentecost Sunday
Pentecost, Vigil Mass	Pentecost, At the Vigil Mass
(Pentecost) Mass During the Day	(Pentecost) At the Mass During the Day

WHAT IS NEW

Easter Sunday, At the Mass during the Day

- no. 71: A new rubric which specifies that the Gloria in excelsis is said
- no. 72: A new rubric which specifies that the Creed is said (noting that “in Easter Sunday Masses which are celebrated with a congregation, the rite of the renewal of baptismal promises may take place after the Homily, according to the text used at the Easter Vigil...”)
- In the *Sacramentary* there was a note, after the antiphon of the Communion Rite, noting that “a period of silence may be observed after Communion.” This note is omitted in the *Roman Missal, Third Edition*, however the option for silence remains in effect; see GIRM no. 88.
- In the *Roman Missal, Third Edition* there is no proper Solemn Blessing (as was in the *Sacramentary*); now, for the Solemn Blessing, the *Roman Missal* directs one to

the Solemn Blessing for the Mass of the Easter Vigil.

- The *Sacramentary* gave three options for the dismissal; the *Roman Missal* gives two.
- In the *Sacramentary*, the Sundays of Easter had a Solemn Prayer or Prayer Over the People in the Proper; in the *Roman Missal*, the note directs one to the Blessings at the End of Mass and Prayers Over the People, no. 6: "Easter Time." (This section follows the Order of Mass in the *Roman Missal*.)

The Ascension of the Lord, At the Vigil Mass

- The *Roman Missal, Third Edition* includes proper prayers for a Vigil Mass, though the readings are the same as those for the Mass during the Day.

The Ascension of the Lord, At the Mass during the Day

- In the *Sacramentary*, the Solemnity of the Ascension had a Solemn Prayer or Prayer Over the People in the Proper; the *Roman Missal* directs one to the Blessings at the End of Mass and Prayers Over the People, no. 7: "The Ascension of the Lord." (This section follows the Order of Mass in the *Roman Missal*.)

Pentecost Sunday, At the Vigil Mass

- The *Roman Missal, Third Edition*, nos. 1 – 12, provide the rubrics for an extended form of the Vigil Mass, meant to mirror that of Holy Saturday night and the Easter Vigil, in which there is an extended Liturgy of the Word.
- Where the extended form of the Vigil Mass is celebrated, the proper Responsorial Psalms for four Old Testaments readings can be found in the Lectionary for Mass at the following places:
 - Psalm 33:10-15 – volume II, no. 339
 - Daniel 3:52-56 – volume I, no. 164
 - Psalm 107:2-9 – volume III, no. 423
 - Psalm 104 – found after the fourth reading [Joel 3:1-5] in volume I, no. 62
- No. 2 provides the rubrics for when the Vigil Mass for Pentecost Sunday is joined to the celebration of First Vespers (Evening Prayer I).
- Following, the *Roman Missal* provides a "Simple Form" of the Vigil Mass, for which there is **no** extended Liturgy of the Word.
- For either celebration of the Vigil Mass, the Preface of Pentecost is provided in the Proper for *At the Mass during the Day*, which follows the Proper for the Vigil Mass.

Pentecost Sunday, At the Mass during the Day

- In the *Roman Missal, Third Edition*, the Preface for this Mass is Proper.

- The formula of Solemn Blessing is found not in the Proper prayers, but rather in the Blessings at the End of Mass and Prayers Over the People, no. 8: “The Holy Spirit.” (This section follows the Order of Mass in the *Roman Missal*.)

Final Notes of Easter Time

* The *Roman Missal, Third Edition* includes a note not found in the *Sacramentary*: “Where the Monday or Tuesday after Pentecost are days on which the faithful are obliged or accustomed to attend Mass, the Mass of Pentecost Sunday may be repeated, or a Mass of the Holy Spirit may be said.”

WHERE TO FIND

Title or Item:	Place in <i>Roman Missal</i> :
Renewal of Baptismal Promises (in place of the Creed)	The Renewal of Baptismal Promises From the Proper of the Easter Vigil
Preface for Easter Sunday, At the Mass during the Day	With the Prefaces for the Eucharistic Prayer in the Order of Mass
Preface for the Ascension of the Lord	With the Prefaces for the Eucharistic Prayer in the Order of Mass
Preface for Pentecost Sunday	In the Proper for Pentecost Sunday, At the Mass during the Day

OTHER CONCERNS

1. See *Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar* [UNLYC] (formerly *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*):
 - nos. 22 – 26 on Easter Time being the “fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday” as “celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as ‘one great Sunday.’”
2. See *Lectionary for Mass*, the Introduction, Chapter V for a brief description of the Order of Readings for this liturgical time:
 - no. 100 on the Sundays of Easter Time, noting the sequence of the Gospels and the semicontinuous reading of the Acts of the Apostles;
 - no. 101 on the Weekdays;
 - no. 102 on the Solemnities of the Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost Sunday.
3. Order for the Blessing of Homes during the Christmas and Easter Seasons; *Book of Blessings*, Chapter 50, nos. 1509 ff.
4. Order for the Blessing of Food for the First Meal of Easter; *Book of Blessings*, Chapter 54, nos. 1701 ff.