THE NEW ROMAN MISSAL

Starting in November of this year, our diocese will begin a year-long process of preparing for the implementation of the third edition of the Roman Missal on the First Sunday of Advent: November 27, 2011. As our blueprint, we will be using the USCCB’s *Parish Guide to Implementing the Roman Missal, Third Edition*.

A day-and-a-half have been added to the November clergy gathering to go over the implementation process, review resources for parish use, and take a look at the theology and spirituality of the new Missal. A copy of the *Parish Guide* will be given to the priests (and PLAs) in attendance.

Among the first steps in the implementation process is for each parish to assemble an “implementation committee.” While this might be the liturgical commission of the parish, it may be better to gather a different group for this purpose—since the commission will still have to attend to its regular responsibilities. Members of the implementation committee could include some members of the liturgy commission, musicians, catechists, school teachers, deacons, and others in parish leadership.

Schools not attached to a parish and religious communities are also encouraged to assemble their own committee and take part in the diocese’s implementation process.

In January and February, we will be hosting a series of workshops around the diocese for members of these implementation committees and for other lay liturgical leaders. The focus of these workshops is to “train the trainers” for doing the necessary formation in their parishes. The dates and locations of these workshops are as follows:

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In May, we will run two additional workshops for those who lead music ministry in their parishes (choir and music directors, keyboardists, cantors).

May 7, 2011 St. Mary, Pella
May 21, 2011 St. Mathias, Muscatine

At this point, in order to help cover the cost of lunch and refreshments, we are estimating that the cost to attend one of the deanery or musician workshops will be $10.00. We will post registration forms on the website as soon as all the details are worked out.

The June Clergy Institute and Faith Formation Institute will also be devoted to the new Missal, and we will have a special workshop for deacons on June 25. More details will follow as they become available.

As parishes undertake the formation of their own liturgical ministers and parish members the Office of Liturgy and Diocesan Liturgical Commission are available to assist in any way that we can.

Don’t forget to keep checking our diocesan website: http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litromanmissal.htm.

CONTINUING FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

FDLC Workshops for Priests (http://www.fdlc.org/Roman_Missal/RM_Workshops.htm)
For priests and diocesan leadership, these workshops are intended to introduce the new Missal and explore the challenges of leadership in a time of change.

2010 Southeastern Liturgical Music Symposium – August 21, 2010 (http://www.archatl.com/offices/odw/events/slms.htm)
Sponsored by the Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta, this symposium is a gathering of liturgical musicians who share an interest in advancing the quality of Catholic liturgical music within our Southern parishes. The symposium will focus on the opportunities and challenges presented to liturgical musicians by the new translation of the Roman Missal. The keynote address will be given by Andrew Wadsworth, the Executive Director of ICEL.

The 49th annual meeting of the Southwest Liturgical Conference, to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, will focus on the new Missal.

RESOURCE

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission has produced a resource for helping parishes assess their church and other buildings in terms of accessibility, prioritize identified needs, and work towards the U.S. Bishop’s vision of full participation in the life of the church by all her members. The resource is available on the Liturgy Library webpage: http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litlibrary.htm.
UPCOMING EVENTS

LOOKING AHEAD: LENT AND TRIDUUM 2011

- The Rite of Election will be celebrated on Sunday, March 13, at St. Patrick Church in Iowa City. This single celebration for the entire diocese will begin at 3:00 p.m. Our “snow date” is Saturday, March 19, at 10:00 a.m.
- The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on April 11 at 5:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral.
- The Easter Vigil will be celebrated on April 23. The Vigil may not begin before 8:45 p.m. that night.

CONTINUING FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Loras Liturgical Music Conference – July 6-8, 2010

*Singing the Lord’s Song: Music, Ritual, and the New Roman Missal* is a conference and workshop for priests, deacons, cantors, choir members, accompanists, instrumentalists and music and liturgy directors. Join us as we prepare for the release of the third edition of the Roman Missal following the Second Vatican Council, and discover effective methods for developing liturgical leadership skills.

The keynote speaker for this conference is Rev. Jan Michael Joncas, a Roman Catholic Presbyter for the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis and Associate Professor of Theology and Catholic Studies at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minn. Author of three books and over 100 articles, Fr. Joncas is also a well-known composer, who has published and recorded over 20 collections.

For more information, visit their website: [http://www.loras.edu/liturgicalmusic/](http://www.loras.edu/liturgicalmusic/)

“Concerning the Baptized” - July 9-10, 2010

The Archdiocese of Dubuque and the North American Forum on the Catechumenate are sponsoring a two-day institute on the initiation journey for those already baptized but seeking to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. The program will take place in Cedar Rapids. A link to the registration brochure is available on our website’s Liturgy Events page, or you may access it directly at: [http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/lit2010ForumRegistrationBrochure.pdf](http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/lit2010ForumRegistrationBrochure.pdf).

National Association of Pastoral Musicians – July 12-16, 2010

The 33rd Annual NPM Convention will be held in Detroit, Michigan, this year – with the theme: “Hope and Harmony.” Convention and registration information is available on their website: [http://www.npm.org/EducationEvents/convention/index.htm](http://www.npm.org/EducationEvents/convention/index.htm).

“Focus on Initiation: Children and Christian Initiation” – August 5-6, 2010

The Diocese of Des Moines and the North American Forum on the Catechumenate are sponsoring a two-day institute on the initiation of children. The program will take place in Altoona. A link to the registration brochure is available on our website’s Liturgy Events page, or you may access it directly at:

For more opportunities, see the Liturgy Events webpage at: [http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litevents.htm](http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litevents.htm).
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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Observing Labor Day: September 6

Parishes may want to take the opportunity to celebrate the Mass for the Blessing of Human Labor (Masses for Various Needs and Occasions #25). The Preface would be for Independence Day and Other Civic Holidays I-II, the readings taken from 907-911, and the vestments white.

The Book of Blessings also offers a number of opportunities. Pastoral visits could be made to places of work, and the following rites could be used: (18) Blessing of an Office, Shop, or Factory; (23) Blessing of Technical Installations or Equipment, and (26) Blessing of Fields and Flocks.

Or, at Sunday Masses or at Mass on Labor Day itself, workers could bring the tools of their trades to be blessed, and (24) Blessing of Tools or Other Equipment for Work be used. Special attention should be paid to laborers and those seeking work during the Prayer of the Faithful, as should those who are treated unjustly in the workplace.

September 11

A special “Blue Mass” for police officers and firefighters, remembering those who have given their lives for others, may be celebrated today. The Mass For Those Who Serve in Public Office (#18) may be used.

Other Masses for Various Needs and Occasions that may be considered for use this day include:

22. For Peace and Justice
42. For Promoting Harmony

In addition, the Mass for the Dead may be celebrated, recalling all who lost their lives on September 11, and since, due to terrorism and war.

Finally, it would be good to remember the dead and those who continue to suffer the after-effects of 9-11 as part of the Prayer of the Faithful at the Sunday Masses of that weekend. For example:

• For those who died on September 11, 2001; for their families and friends who mourn them; we pray to the Lord:
• For those who serve others at the risk of their own lives; we pray to the Lord:
• For an end to terrorism and violence; for peace among nations; we pray to the Lord:
• For the grace of forgiveness; for the healing of broken spirits and wounded souls; we pray to the Lord:
• For those overwhelmed by sorrow or fear; for those who work for reconciliation; we pray to the Lord:

INTERCESSIONS

(1) “Intercessions for Life” may be found on the USCCB website at:

http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/wolarchive.shtml
(2) Monthly intercession for vocations (courtesy of Fr. Marty Goetz, Director of Vocations):

For those who minister to the imprisoned, may they be a tangible presence of Christ, we pray:

(3) Weekly intercessions:

**August 1**
18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
For the grace to abandon our attachment to possessions, sharing what we have with those in need; we pray...

**August 8**
19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
That, entrusted with much, we would give generously of all we have; we pray...

**August 15**
SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
That the proud might be scattered and the mighty cast down; that the lowly be lifted and the hungry fed; we pray...

**August 22**
21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
That we would welcome those who come to us from north and south, east and west, as brothers and sisters in the kingdom; we pray...

**August 29**
22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
For those the world does not welcome, that we would have open hearts and our churches open doors; we pray...

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