Dear companions at the Table,

I would like to remind everyone about our diocesan website. If you have not had the opportunity to visit yet, our address is http://www.davenportdiocese.org. For liturgy information, click on the gray banner button labeled “offices”—which will open a drop-down menu. Scroll down to liturgy, which opens another drop-down menu; click on “home.”

I hope that you find the resources that are posted there helpful in your ministry. If you find any electronic resources that are particularly helpful, send me the link and I’ll take a look at it….and maybe put it on the website, too!

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION…

EMHC (RE-)CERTIFICATION

Summer is a good time for forming parish liturgical ministers. I use the word “form” instead of “train” to highlight the Church’s sense that preparation for ministry is not just learning mechanics. It has to do with prayer, spirituality, and theology as well. For example, formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion must include more than how to hand out hosts or wipe the chalice…How are we helping our people become ministers? How are we helping them grow in their love for and understanding of Eucharist? The appointment by the bishop to this ministry is not a “rubberstamp” or hoop to jump through, but recognizes that these people have been properly formed in all aspects of this ministry—not just the “how to” part. This office and the Diocesan Liturgical Commission are happy to help parishes with the formation of their liturgical ministers…just let us know!

PARISH LITURGICAL LIBRARY

With the changes being made in priest assignments, this is a good time to look through your parish liturgical library and see what is in need of updating. Here is a list of important resources to have on hand:

The Eucharist

*The Missal (Sacramentary)* – updated in 2002, it is currently undergoing re-translation. As mentioned before, this is not a good time to purchase a new copy—since the re-translation will hopefully be available in a few years. The English version in current use is dated 1985.

*The Lectionary* – 4 volumes; updated in 1998 and 2000. Also currently being reviewed and revised—a process that is expected to take quite some time.

Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest – the 2nd edition of this ritual text has been released this year; however, we are still reviewing matters – so don’t rush out and get one yet!

Other Sacraments


The Rite of Confirmation – A pastor may rarely be the one to celebrate the sacrament, and it would be good for the catechist preparing individuals for confirmation to have access to the ritual text. The English translation of the Rite was approved in 1975. A new bilingual edition is available from the USCCB.

The Rite of Penance – 1974-5; note changes made by Pope John Paul II by his apostolic letter, a motu proprio called Misericordia Dei (2002).

Pastoral Care of the Sick – U.S. edition of all the texts needed for the sacramental care of the sick and the dying, including Anointing of the Sick and Viaticum, and rites used after death. There are two 1983 editions – one published before and the other after the promulgation of the new Code of Canon Law. It is the latter edition that you will want to have on hand. (A quick check will reveal which edition you have: if #14 reads “may be conferred” it is the older edition; if it reads “is to be conferred” then you have the right one.)

The Rite of Marriage – currently, the first (1969) edition is still in use in the U.S. The second edition was promulgated in Latin in 1991. Adaptations were completed in 1998. We are still waiting for the new English translation.

Other Rites


Optional Ritual Texts

While not strictly necessary for a parish to have, the following really ought to be part of a parish’s liturgical library:


The Lectionary for Masses with Children – for use in Masses where most participants are children, or for Children’s Liturgy of the Word, these texts are also being revised and a parish would do well postponing any purchase at this time.


Order for the Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist – The Liturgical Press took the norms from Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist outside Mass and prepared a number of Eucharistic services; helpful if you don’t want to do all the preparatory work.

Resources


The major liturgical documents can be found in three texts from Liturgy Training Publications: The Liturgy Documents, volume 1 (4th edition; an erratum for the Norms for the Celebration and Reception of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds in the Dioceses of the United States of America is needed); The Liturgy Documents, volume 2; and Eucharistic Documents for the New Millennium: Ecclesia de Eucharistia & Redemptionis sacramentum.

Update on Spanish Language Resources

The USCCB has been working on Spanish language texts for use in the United States. If a specific edition for the United States is not yet available, an approved edition from another country (e.g. Mexico) may be used until the US edition is ready.

The following resources are available now:

Order of Christian Funerals (bilingual and Spanish editions) – The Liturgical Press
Pastoral Care of the Sick – Liturgy Training Publications
Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest (2006; bilingual edition) – USCCB
Quinceañera – available on USCCB website
GIRM – available in Spanish from LTP
Rite of Confirmation (bilingual edition) – USCCB

The following will be available shortly:

Sunday Lectionary (volume 1) – approved and awaiting publication
Weekday and Ritual Lectionary (volumes 2-4) – approved and awaiting publication

The following are still in the works:

Book of Blessings – awaiting recognitio in Rome
Rite of Marriage – awaiting recognitio in Rome
Roman Missal – not yet available
Rite of Ordination – not yet available for the US
Rite of Penance – translation for US in progress
**THE NEW ROMAN MISSAL**

In 1963, the Catholic bishops of the world gathered at the Vatican approved the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, *Sacrosanctum concilium*. This Constitution called for the liturgy to be revised, adapted, and restored in light of the needs of the contemporary Church. In the years that followed, the various liturgical texts were revised and made available in the vernacular—in the language of the people.

The Latin version of the first edition of the new Missal (or Sacramentary), the book of prayers and texts used for Mass, came out in 1969. Revisions led to a second edition of the Missal and its general instruction (GIRM) by 1972. Think of the GIRM as the recipe (tells us what to do) and the Missal as the ingredients (the prayers, etc.).

In 1975, we received the English version of this second edition of the Missal and GIRM. Minor changes were made to it in 1985 (after the new Code of Canon Law came out), and this is the version we have been using ever since.

In 2002, we received the third edition of the GIRM—the introduction to the Missal that gives instructions on who does what and when at Mass, what we use, etc… So, we have the recipe; we are just waiting for new ingredients. Why? For a number of reasons: We were given new principles for translations in 2000. The 1975 translations were done rather quickly, and there has been work ever since on how they could be improved. The new translation into English will be a more accurate rendering of the Latin and will make our translation more similar to those of other language groups. Since the English Missal is used by a number of other small language groups as an important resource for their translations, it is important that it be as accurate as possible. A number of new Saints have been added since 1975, so their Masses will be added to the Missal.

To be continued…

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**CONTINUING FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES**

**Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest (SCAP)**

This summer, the Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be offering certification workshops for leaders of Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest. The meeting dates are as follows:

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Shortly, parishes will be sent a detailed instruction packet, including two DVDs of a presentation on the new SCAP ritual. Briefly, Pastors are asked to nominate two individuals for certification. These two will watch the DVD and then attend one of the workshops listed above. After successful completion, they will be appointed by Bishop Amos for this ministry. Those who completed the course work in the current MFP Liturgy Year do not have to attend the workshop or watch the DVD; they may be nominated directly by their pastor. Please take a look at our website under “Liturgy Events” for more details and links to the handouts.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

**North American Forum**
Information and registration forms for the Institute being offered in the Des Moines Diocese on July 18-19, 2008, is available on our website.

**Liturgy Preparation**

**Liturgical Calendar**

**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:

For those who guide and support those preparing for marriage; for lay, diaconal, or priestly ministry; and for religious life; we pray…

(3) Weekly intercessions from the Liturgical Commission:

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<td>For the grace to share the Good News in word and deed, no matter the cost; we pray…</td>
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