

At the 2017 National Meeting of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions, Father James Burkart, Chair of the Task Force on the *Misal Romano*, offered the members an overview of the FDLC's plan of formation. Resources will focus on three general audiences – clergy, the faithful, and parish musicians.

On this page and the next, please find a brief synopsis of the changes which will be found in the USA edition of the *Misal Romano*. The book will be available from publishers on May 1. First use date is Pentecost 2018; mandatory use date is the First Sunday of Advent 2018.

## IN GENERAL

- The *Misal Romano, tercera edición* parallels the arrangement of the English edition of the Roman Missal, except for the Appendices.

## MUSIC

- The former edition of the *Misal Romano* had very little musical notation. Chant notation is now included as in the English Missal.

## VOCABULARY

- The responses of the congregation are exactly the same.
- The only words that change are: the use of ***ustedes*** instead of ***vosotros***, with the corresponding declinations of the verbs; and “*Por ustedes y por muchos*” rather than “*Por ustedes y por todos*” in the Words of Institution.
- Collects, Prayers over the Gifts, and Prayers after Communion differ in translation, but not in content.

## THE LITURGICAL DAYS

- The Sacred Paschal Triduum
  - Holy Thursday Chrism Mass: it follows the same order as in English and the Blessing of Oils is included in an appendix.
- Proper of the Saints
  - The US calendar is included
  - Orations for the memorial of St. John Paul II
  - Orations for the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene (with a proper preface)
  - A proper preface for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is included.
  - Titles of days dedicated to “Our Lady of” will begin with “The Blessed Virgin Mary...”
- Ritual Masses and Votive Masses are the same.
- Orations for the Patronal Feasts for Latin American countries are an appendix

## OPTIONS IN THE ORDER OF MASS

- All the options for greetings are included in an appendix, rather than in place
- Some options for Penitential Act are also included in an appendix, but not in place
- Options for *Orate fratres* [Pray, brethren] are not given in the third edition
- Lord's Prayer – there are no extra options for the introduction
- No extra options for the Sign of Peace

## PREFACES

- There are no Prefaces III and IV for Advent
- There is no Preface V of Lent
- There is no Preface after the Ascension
- There are not Prefaces IX and X in Ordinary Time
- No Prefaces for Baptism and Confirmation
- None assigned for Eucharist Prayer III
- No Prefaces for Ordination
- No Preface for Penance or for Anointing of the Sick
- No Prefaces III, IV, and V of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- No Preface of Angels (It appears in the Feast of the Guardian Angels, and the Feast of the Archangels.)
- No Preface of St. Joseph (It appears in the texts for the Solemnity of St. Joseph and on May 1, St. Joseph the Worker.)
- There is a second Preface of Holy Martyrs
- No Common Prefaces VII and VIII

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS

- No proper form of *communicantes* for Holy Thursday
- No proper form of *communicantes* for the Solemnity of the Ascension
- No proper forms of *accepit* (They are in an appendix.)
- Eucharistic Prayers II and III - Particular intercessions are provided only for Baptism and the Commemoration of the Dead
- A Eucharistic Prayer for Masses with Children is not included (similar to the 2011 English Missal)