



Diocese of Belleville

Timeline for the reception of the new *Roman Missal*, third edition

- Bishops approve all segments of English texts – November 2009
- Bishops conference sends texts to the Apostolic See – soon thereafter
- Apostolic See reviews all work, approves final form, sends letter of approval (*recognitio*) – unknown date
- US Bishops set one-year-plus time from Rome approval for catechesis, formation, and printing of books prior to implementation
- Mandatory implementation date in USA – estimated on the First Sunday of Advent, 27 November 2011

As of October 2009

We Give You Thanks and Praise

PREPARING FOR THE *ROMAN MISSAL*, THIRD EDITION

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REGIONAL WORSHIP OFFICE WORK. Preparing for the new *Roman Missal*, third typical edition is a monumental task. A lot of “behind the scenes work” has already taken place for this important work on the local, regional, national, and international levels in the English speaking world. Connections with several bodies have facilitated this work.

A National Connection: Our diocese has a long history with and is an active member of the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions [FDLC]. It is the national body for diocesan worship offices and commissions. For 40 years it has worked closely with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [USCCB] Committee on Divine Worship and its secretariat.

A Regional Connection: The Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions [FDLC], Region 7 is made up of the Catholic dioceses in the Provinces of Chicago and Indianapolis. Of the eleven dioceses, these nine have worked together in a united effort to give God thanks and praise. They are – in Illinois: Belleville, Chicago, Joliet in Illinois, and Springfield in Illinois – in Indiana: Evansville, Fort Wayne-South Bend, Gary, Indianapolis, and Lafayette-in-Indiana. Peoria is a member but has not been able to participate. Rockford is not currently a member.

A SHORT HISTORY OF REGIONAL PROGRESS. For seven years, the active diocesan members of **FDLC Region 7** have been at work on ways to cooperate for so great a work. We have developed an extensive collection of documents named: **Training and Formation on the *Roman Missal*, third typical edition.** The Foreword to this work reads in part:

“Soon after the new English translation of the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* [GIRM] was released in 2002, the members of the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions [FDLC], Region 7 began discussions on ways for collaborating across diocesan boundaries to prepare for the new English translation of the *Roman Missal*. During each national meeting, the regional participants refined and modified the concept. By 2007, following consultation with each diocesan bishop, a multi-level approach for catechetical and liturgical preparation was outlined.

“During the fall 2008 regional meeting, a detailed plan was devised that incorporated the planned projects of the International Committee on English in the Liturgy [ICEL] Leed’s Group, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [USCCB] Secretariat for the Committee for Divine Worship [BCDW], and the national federation’s Roman Missal Project as well as the expected resources from the publishers of liturgical books and liturgical music. Drafts were reviewed, refined, and edited during the regular spring 2009 meeting and during an extraordinary meeting in August 2009.”

MAINTAINING CONNECTIONS

Diocese of Belleville
Monthly Mailing
website:

[http://diobelle.org/
monthlymailings.htm](http://diobelle.org/monthlymailings.htm)

- archives past issues of “We Give You Thanks and Praise” beginning January 2010

United States
Conference of
Catholic Bishops
[USCCB] website on
the *Roman Missal*:

[http:// www.usccb.org/
romanmissal/](http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal/)

- “New words” on site intent
- Bishop Arthur Serratelli speaks
- *Roman Missal* development
- Study text of *the Order of Mass I*
- Examples of language changes

Federation of
Diocesan Liturgical
Commissions
[FDLC] website:

<http://fdlc.org>

- view training materials

This current edition of FDLC Region 7, **Training and Formation on the *Roman Missal, third typical edition***, is the draft of 15 October 2009. It continually will be revised as new information becomes available. In addition to using this within our own dioceses, Region 7 has donated the work to the national organization. In that way, other dioceses may also find benefit for their own efforts.

FDLC Region 7, Training and Formation on the *Roman Missal, third typical edition* – Contents for Part One:

- Foreword, Authors, and Table of Contents
- Pre-gathering for Priests
- Training and Formation Manual for Priests and Parish Life Coordinators
- Training and Formation Manual for Deacons and Deacon Candidates
- Training and Formation Manual for Liturgy Coordinators and Parish Staff
- Training and Formation Manual for Liturgical Musicians
- Training and Formation Manual for Seminarians
- Training and Formation Manual for the Laity

Contents for Part Two contains many items for use as handouts and presentation aids for use with Part One.

View Part One on line: Anyone may view, but not print, each of the contents of Part One on the website of the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions [FDLC] at http://www.fdlc.org/Roman_Missal/RM_Reg07.htm.

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FORMING A DIOCESAN CORE TEAM FOR THE ROMAN MISSAL. Very soon a team of diocesan staff members will be formed to begin working on a timeline for training, formation, and catechesis to prepare for the new *Roman Missal*. Additional information to follow.

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