

Catechism of the Crisis in the Catholic Church “The New Mass”

- **Can loss of faith in the Real Presence of our Lord correctly be attributed to Communion in the hand?**

Communion in the hand is probably not the only cause. Errors or gaps in catechesis and preaching certainly share the blame since the Real Presence has often been presented as a symbolic presence, denying the actual change of the bread into the Body of Christ. But Communion in the hand prepared the faithful to accept these false teachings, for if the host is merely a symbol of Christ, it is not surprising that people receive Communion without any special sign of reverence.

71) Is it necessary to celebrate Mass in Latin?

Just as it is fitting to change out of one's work-clothes for an important ceremony, it is likewise most fitting that the language of sacred liturgy be different from that of everyday life. The vernacular is not apt for the sacred action. In the West, Latin has been the liturgical language for centuries. But in other parts of the Church, and even in numerous non-Christian religions, there is also a sacred language.

- **Do non-Catholics also use a sacred language?**

The establishment of a fixed liturgical language while the common language evolves seems to be a constant of mankind. The schismatic Greeks employ ancient Greek in their liturgy; the Russians use Slavonic. At the time of Christ, the Jews already utilized ancient Hebrew for the liturgy, which was no longer the common language (and neither Jesus nor the Apostles criticized this). The same thing is found in Islam (literary Arabic, the language of prayer, is no longer understood by the multitudes) and some Oriental religions. The Roman pagans also had archaic formulations in their worship that had become incomprehensible.

- **How can this universal custom of the use of a sacred language for divine worship be explained?**

Man naturally has a sense of the sacred. He understands instinctively that divine worship does not depend on him, that he must respect it and transmit it as he has received it, without allowing anything to disrupt it. The use of a fixed, sacred language in religion is in conformity with human psychology as well as the immutable nature of divine realities.

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Confessions:

Sundays: 7:30-7:50am; 9:50-10:20am
Thursdays: 10:30-10:50am
First Fridays: 6:30-6:50pm
Saturdays: 8:30-8:50am

Liturgical Offices

Sunday 14th January: Second Sunday after Epiphany, (II cl)

8:00 am	Low Mass ACI: J. Concepcion ACII: L. Babate
10:30 am	Sung Mass

Monday 15th January : St Paul the Hermit, C, (III cl) *St Maurus, Abbot*

7:15 am	Low Mass
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Second Collection School

Tuesday 16th January: St Marcellus I, PM, (III cl)

7:15 am	Low Mass
6:00 pm	Rosary and Benediction followed by Mass

Wednesday 17th January: St Anthony, Abbot, (III cl)

5:45 am	Low Mass
7:15 am	Low Mas

Thursday 18th January: Feria, (IV cl) *St Prisca, VM*

7:15 am	Low Mass
10:00 am	Holy Hour
11:00 am	Low Mass

Friday 19th January: Feria, (IV cl) *Ss Marius, Martha, Audifax, Abachum, Mm; St Canute, KM*

7:15 am	Low Mass
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Saturday 20th January: St Fabian, PM, & St Sebastian, M, (III cl)

7:15 am	Low Mass
9:00 am	Low Mass followed by Novena to the Holy Infant of Prague

Sunday 21st January: Third Sunday after Epiphany, (II cl)

8:00 am	Low Mass ACI: A. Cofini ACII: A. Scarf
10:30 am	Sung Mass
5:30 pm	Vespers, Rosary and Benediction

Altar Servers' Roster – Sung Mass 10:30am, 21st January 2018

MCI:	J. Pepping	ACII:	K. Pepping	
TH:	S. Pepping	CB:	K. Goldsmith	
BB:	N. Didic	TB:		
ACI:	R. Amituanai	TB:		

Parish Help

Cleaning Roster: Saturday 20th January: M. McLeod

Morning Tea: Sunday 21st January:

8:00am	Mrs P Poole Coffee – Sister Rita Rene
10:30am	Mrs Jenner Coffee – Gabriela Brill

Announcements

In your charity please pray for the souls of:

Gerald Donovan (who died during the week); Adeaby Baynie; Portia Therese Trewin; James Banner; Francesco Natoli; Pedro Fernandez; Marguerite Tawarf; John Carrigy; Hilda Demajo.

Other Mass Centres Next Sunday 21st January, 2018

Singleton: 10:00 am		
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Friday Catechism: Classes for adults on Friday evenings from 7:30 to 8:20 pm. **Next class 19th January, 2018**

Sunday Catechism: No class until 28th January, 2018

New Church Cleaning Roster: The new roster for 2018 is on the board in the hall. Thank you to all those who helped in 2017. God is never outdone in his generosity.