

Catechism of the Crisis in the Catholic Church "The New Mass"

- **Doesn't the use of Latin risk leaving some of the faithful in ignorance of the sacred liturgy?**

The Council of Trent imposed upon priests the duty to preach often about the Mass and to explain its rites to the faithful. In addition, the faithful have missals in which the Latin prayers are translated, so they can have access to the beautiful prayers of the liturgy without the advantages of Latin being lost. Experience also proves that in Latin countries, the understanding of liturgical Latin (if not in all its details, then at least globally) is relatively easy for anyone who is interested. The demand it makes on their attention fosters the faithful's genuine participation in the liturgy: that of the mind and will; whereas the vernacular language, to the contrary, is likely to encourage laziness.

- **Doesn't the use of a sacred language in the liturgy introduce an arbitrary break between everyday life ("profane") and the spiritual life, while the role of Christians should be, on the contrary, to consecrate everything to God (even one's everyday language)?**

In order to keep the spirit of prayer in all our activities, we must sometimes break away from these activities to devote ourselves to prayer. The same applies here: sometimes using a sacred language in order to realize more deeply the transcendence of God will be an aid, and not an impediment, to continual prayer.

73) What other reasons militate in favor of using Latin in the liturgy?

Three more reasons militate in favor of using Latin: 1) its immutability (or, at least, it's very great stability); 2) it's almost bimillennial in the Church use in the liturgy; and 3) the fact that it symbolizes and fosters Church unity.

- **In what way is the immutability of Latin an advantage?**

An immutable faith requires a proportionate linguistic instrument; namely, a language that is as immutable as possible and which can serve as a reference. Latin, which is no longer a modern language, no longer (or rarely) changes. In a modern language, on the contrary, words can rapidly undergo significant changes of meaning or tone (they can acquire a pejorative or derisive connotation which they formerly lacked). The usage of such a language can thus easily lead to errors or ambiguities, while the use of Latin preserves both the dignity and orthodoxy of the liturgy.

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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 28th January: Septuagesima Sunday, (II cl)

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

Monday 29th January : St Francis de Sales, BCD, (III cl)

7:15 am	Low Mass	Second Collection
8:45 am	Benediction	

Tuesday 30th January: St Martina, VM (III cl) *St Emerentiana, VM*

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

Wednesday 31st January: St John Bosco, C, (III cl)

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

Thursday 1st February: St Ignatius of Antioch, BM, (III cl)

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

Friday 2nd February: PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, (II cl) *Candlemas Day* **FIRST FRIDAY**

7:00 am	Sung Mass
8:50 am	Low Mass
7:00 pm	Low Mass followed by adoration to 11:00 pm

Saturday 3rd February: Our Lady on Saturdays, (IV cl) *St Blaise, BM* **FIRST SATURDAY**

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

Sunday 4th February: Sexagesima Sunday, (II cl)

8:00 am	Low Mass	ACI: J. Pepping ACII: L. Pepping
10:30 am	Sung Mass	
5:30 pm	Vespers, Rosary and Benediction	

Altar Servers' Roster – Sung Mass 10:30am, 4th February 2018

MCI:	I. Bril	ACII:	R. Amituanai
TH:	Cyp Amituanai	CB:	K. Reyes
BB:	S. Bril	TB:	L. Amituanai
ACI:	L. Babate	TB:	Cy Ulberg

Parish Help

Cleaning Roster: Saturday 3rd February: Volunteer

Morning Tea: Sunday 4th February:

8:00am	Mrs Temporosa Coffee – Maxim
10:30am	Mr and Mrs Marcella Coffee – Isabella

Announcements

In your charity please pray for the souls of:

Gerald Donovan; Brian Anthony Filan; Beatrice Muir; Ursula Poole; Margaret Parkes; Rita Hughes; Mary Manwaring; Christina Mary Parsons; Maurice Breen; Angelo Luca; Diego Saborido.

Other Mass Centres Next Sunday 4th February, 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 9th February.**

Sunday Catechism: Classes resume today at 9:30am.

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.

First Friday and First Saturday: Please note well these devotions.

Blessed Palms: Please return your blessed palms to the box in the hall, so they can be burnt to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday, 14th February.