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2023 REPORT to Members of the Catholic Academy of Liturgy

WEEKDAY LECTIONARY

Final corrections are expected to be applied to the manuscript by April 2023 with layout and proofreading to follow soon after.

The Lectionary will be published in two volumes – Year I and Year II.

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN FUNERALS: SUPPLEMENT FOR CELEBRATIONS WITH CREMATED REMAINS

The five-year *ad experimentum* period for this ritual text ended December 3, 2022.

The Dicastery for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments has extended the *ad experimentum* period by one year.

Burying the Dead, Grieving Well: A Guide for Catholics on Bodily Disposition and Grief

In November 2022 the Episcopal Commission for Doctrine released a Guide for Catholics on Bodily Disposition and Grief. This is available on the CCCB website.

ROMAN MISSAL SUPPLEMENT

A canonical vote for a supplement to *Roman Missal: Third Edition* is expected to take place in the first half of 2023 for the texts of the following observances.

- The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
- Saint Paul VI
- Saint Mary Magdalene
- Saint Faustina Kowalska
- Saint John XXIII
- Saint John Paul II
- Our Lady of Loreto

The supplement will propose updated texts for the following Canadian Saints who were Blessed at the time of the publication of *Roman Missal: Third Edition*: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Saint Marie de l'Incarnation, Saint François de Laval.

MUSIC FOR CATHOLIC WORSHIP

All engravings have been verified, a draft of the content has been assembled in chronological order. The ascriptions for each are being reviewed for accuracy of information and consistency in presentation as the appropriate permissions requests are prepared.

A small committee will review the compiled draft to determine considerations for layout.

In 2023 a marketability survey will be sent to Dioceses to determine the anticipated print run. Following this, a determination will be made on a possible release date and the proposed cost for the three volumes – pew, choir and keyboard. Of particular note for the Canadian market is that the choir edition will include only the choral parts (SATB and descant) and will not contain keyboard accompaniment and chords as *Catholic Book of Worship II* and *III* did.

INDIGENOUS RELATIONS

In July 2022 the Holy Father visited Canada on a penitential pilgrimage. The Holy Father met with Indigenous Peoples in a variety of locations in Alberta, Quebec and Iqaluit.

Following this penitential pilgrimage, the Conference published a commemorative bilingual booklet, containing all the speeches and homilies of the Holy Father during his Apostolic Visit. A list of apologies delivered by Catholic Church officials in Canada concludes the book. The intent of this publication is to assist Dioceses, Parishes, Schools as a guide to enrich discussion and discernment on walking together locally with Indigenous Peoples.

INSTITUTION OF LECTOR, ACOLYTE, CATECHIST

In early 2022 the Directors of the National Liturgy Office, *Office national de liturgie*, Office for Evangelization and Catechesis each held a series of consultations with their diocesan contacts. Participants were invited to response to questions, including:

- Are these instituted ministers presently active in your Diocese?
- What opportunities and what challenges are created by the possibility of instituting these ministries?
- What resources will dioceses require?
- What are the essential elements of formation?
- What is needed for the discernment of gifts and the call to instituted ministry?
- What observations arise due to the apparent similarities in “mandate” between Lector and Catechist?

An initial draft of national guidelines for these instituted ministries is nearing completion.

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