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### **3 November 2011**

Dear Bishops, Monsignors, Fathers, and others in the LORD's service, we send greetings from the northernmost parishes in the lower 48 states, as well as your Office of Worship in Crookston.

### **MANY, MANY THANKS ARE IN ORDER!**

First to you who have planned and participated in the recent Roman Missal Workshops for the Senior priests, as well as for those of us pastors, parochial vicars, and deacons.

Second, many thanks to Bishop Hoepfner and those other priests and deacons who ministered to our Youth at the Youth Rally in Warroad. Thank you most deeply and sincerely to the priests for your availability to minister the Sacrament of Penance as well as concelebrate at the Mass. Our parish volunteers were a bit taken aback, and then deeply edified, by the great number of young people who were able to approach the Sacrament of Penance. Thanks also to the deacons who were present to minister in the liturgy as well as chaperone your groups. Please convey to *all* your people: chaperones and youth, how smoothly the day went with such great and willing participation.

## **Information for Your Ministries**

### **Accompaniment for ICEL Roman Missal Chants**

For those who may wish to make more use of the chants for the Mass as provided in the Roman Missal, ICEL has made a number of the chant accompaniments available through their website. Also, the accompaniment will allow your music ministers to 'support the singing' with instruments when permissible (for example as during the acclamations, etc). Scrolling through the selections those with accompaniment are so indicated. ***Please share this information with your music ministers.***

### **Exsultet & other Chants: Music and CD's**

For those tasked with singing the Easter Proclamation/Exsultet, it does exist in the Roman Missal, and it also is available on the ICEL website. [www.icelweb.org/musicfolder/openmusic.php](http://www.icelweb.org/musicfolder/openmusic.php) scroll down to the Easter Vigil section. Note, too, both the Longer and Shorter forms are there.

To listen the chant of the Exsultet go to: <http://www.npm.org/Chants/proper.html> and scroll down to the Easter Vigil section.

As was mentioned at our workshop day, the *National Association of Pastoral Musicians* has recorded many of the chants in the Missal. <http://www.npm.org/Chants/index.html> They are available for online listening for free [www.npm.org/Chants/index.html](http://www.npm.org/Chants/index.html) or for purchase as a 3 CD set <https://www.npm.org/publications/index.php?category=9> for a minimal fee.

### **Table of Permissibility**

For those who like charts, a 'cheater' chart has been created indicating when certain sorts of celebrations are permitted by the calendar. As Msgr. Foltz and others mentioned at the workshop, this information is available already in the *Ordo* in your sacristies. However, for those who have not taken the time to decipher what the V<sup>1</sup> & R<sup>2</sup> mean, this gives a clear schema to follow. It is attached to this mailing.

### **Praying the Liturgy of the Hours on a Smartphone or E-Reader**

Having heard discussions questioning the appropriateness, and even the "validity" of praying the Liturgy of the Hours with the text displayed on a smartphone, e-reader or iPad. It is the opinion of the Director of your Office of Worship that as long as one is using an approved edition/version of the Liturgy of the Hours (either in the Ordinary or Extraordinary Form) it would fulfill one's obligation for those obliged to pray the Hours. Please do be aware, for those who make use of the eBreviary subscription ([www.ebreviary.com](http://www.ebreviary.com)) that the Psalm Prayers are not included; while the Psalm Prayers do not appear in the Latin *editio typica*, the U.S. version does include them as a part of the text. If one is praying in Spanish or another language, your Director would advise that you pray from editions/versions approved by the proper language group and local conferences of Bishops.

### **Roman Missal 3rd edition on Smartphone or iPad**

There have been some recent news items announcing the availability of the 3rd edition of the Missal for the iPhone & iPad. Your Director's not been keeping up with the Android or Blackberry world, but odds are similar things will become available soon, if not already. Your Director's advice would be to use these as a study/preparation aid, prayer aid, and the like; however would advise against using them regularly in a Mass setting. (*That is, unless you are willing to burn and bury your phone or iPad on consecrated ground when a new version becomes available.*) :-)

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

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