

**Clergy and all Catholics Prepare for New Roman Missal Translation that Will Bring
New Words and Deeper Meaning to the Prayers of the Mass**

WHO: Father Bob Webster, Director of Liturgy, Diocese of Orlando
Priests and Deacons of the Diocese of Orlando

WHAT: News Conference to explain the changes that will be implemented at Catholic
parishes beginning the first Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011

WHEN: **Thursday, November 17, 12:30 p.m.**

WHERE: Catholic Diocese of Orlando Offices, 50 E. Robinson Street, Orlando
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OTHER INFORMATION:

Following the news conference, priests and deacons from throughout Central Florida will attend a workshop on the new Roman Missal at diocesan offices. Priests will bring their new Roman Missals and will receive practical information on how to implement the changes. This is the first change in translation Catholics have experienced in 40 years. News cameras are invited to stay for the first 15 minutes of the workshop to record video of the training. Also, we will provide b-roll of some of the changes that have already been introduced at parishes throughout the diocese.

Ninety-two parishes and missions around the Diocese of Orlando along with parishes around the country are preparing to hear the new English translation of the Roman Missal, Third Edition on the first Sunday of Advent, November 27.

Father Robert Webster, Director of the Office of Liturgy, estimates that at least 19,000 people participated in Roman Missal workshops sponsored by the Office of Liturgy, and as the first Sunday of Advent draws nearer, the Catholic faithful are preparing themselves for the new translation in their own parishes.

Pope John Paul II announced a revised version of the Missale Romanum during the Jubilee Year 2000. Among other things, the revised edition of the Missale Romanum contains prayers for the observances of recently canonized saints, additional prefaces for the Eucharistic Prayers, additional Votive Masses and Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, and some updated and revised rubrics (instructions) for the celebration of the Mass.

The English translation of the Roman Missal will also include updated translations of existing prayers, including some of the well-known responses and acclamations of the people.

The entire Church in the United States has been blessed with this opportunity to deepen its understanding of the Sacred Liturgy, and to appreciate its meaning and importance in our lives. Links to

various Roman Missal resources—from homilies to bulletins and the remaining workshops—are available on the [Diocese of Orlando website www.orlandodiocese.org](http://www.orlandodiocese.org).