



LITURGICAL BOOKS

NO OUT OF POCKET EXPENSES • 5 WEEKS LONG • OFFERED THROUGH UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON, OHIO VLCFF

UPON COMPLETION OF THIS ONLINE COURSE

You will earn 18
Continuing Education Hours

This course on Liturgical Books introduces students to some of the most utilized liturgical books of the Roman Catholic Church. Each week there will be a focus on a specific book or rite of the church. The goal of each session is not to just become familiar with the texts, but to draw on them as resources for the ministerial and liturgical life in the Church.

General Course Objectives

- Comprehend the role of The Liturgy of the Hours within the life of the Church. Students will be familiar enough with the text to utilize them as a prayer resource both personally and professionally.
- Develop an appreciation and understanding for the Lectionary, its historical development and its role as the foundation for the Liturgy of the Word and the liturgical life of the Church.
- Become familiar with the Baptismal Rite and the RCIA Journey, making connections with a larger understanding of Initiation.
- Articulate the basic functions of the Roman Missal and why a new one was adopted. Be able to explain the nuances of employing the depth of the prayers offered for particular liturgical celebrations.
- Understand the basic structures of liturgical celebrations of the Rite of Christian Funerals & The Order of Celebrating Matrimony.
- Demonstrate an ability to utilize the rites' books in specific pastoral situations.

WEEK ONE

An introduction to the Liturgy of the Hours, the official prayer of the Church outside of Eucharistic liturgies.

WEEK TWO

Focus on the Lectionary, and the history of the cycles of readings.

WEEK THREE

The Rites of RCIA and of Baptism; how the faithful are initiated into the Church.

WEEK FOUR

Details the Roman Missal; the book which contains the prayers and instructions for celebrating Mass in the Catholic Church.

WEEK FIVE

The Rite of Christian Funerals; an essential piece for all those in ministerial settings in the Church, will be examined.