

What Vatican II Really Said about the Mass
Week 2: The Nature of the Liturgy and General Norms for Promoting
Liturgical Instruction and Participation (SC 1-20)

Review

1. What are the two primary interpretative approaches to the Second Vatican Council?

2. What are *Resourcement* and *Aggiornamento*?

The Nature of the Liturgy

1. Primary and secondary purposes of the liturgy (SC 2)

2. Making the paschal mystery present to us today (SC 6)

3. Exercising the priestly office in the liturgy (SC 7)
 - a. 1 Peter 2:9: “But you are ‘a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises’ of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.”

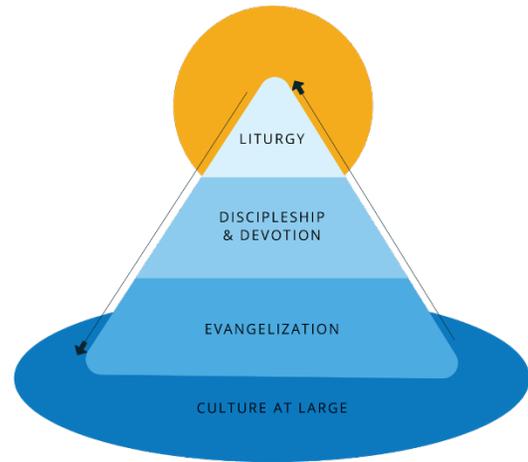
 - b. Compare with Exodus 19:6

4. Participating in the heavenly liturgy (SC 8)

5. Centrality of the liturgy to the life of the Church

a. SC 7, 10

b. Compare with Exodus 3:18



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6. Proper disposition and cooperation with grace (SC 11)

7. Relationship between the liturgy and the devotional life (SC 12)

8. “[F]ully conscious and active participation” (SC 14)

Liturgical Instruction and Active Participation

1. Phrase “active participation” came from the 1903 Moto Proprio *Tra le Sollecitudini* by Pope Pius X

2. What does it mean to be full? (SC 14)

a. Every member has a proper part/role to fulfill.

3. What does it mean for that participation to be conscious? (*SC 14*)

a. We must have an awareness or knowledge of what is happening.

b. Who are the primary educators? (*SC 15-19*)

4. What does it mean to be active? (*SC 14*)

a. Being first properly prepared, we participate in an interior and exterior manner that engages (“man fully alive”).

5. Proper to needs of area and capabilities of the pastor (*SC 19*)

6. Openness to the new capabilities of the times: *Aggiornamento* (*SC 20*)