



Changes in the Liturgy of the Word with the Implementation of the New Roman Missal

The following summarizes changes in the Liturgy of the Word with the implementation of the new Roman missal:

1. The Lectionary is not carried in the procession; it should be on the ambo or pulpit from the beginning of Mass (GIRM, nn. 118, 120).
2. A short period of silence should follow each reading (GIRM, n. 56). A pause of 20 to 30 seconds is suggested.
3. The Responsorial Psalm is part of the proclamation of the Word. Hence, it is most appropriately led from the ambo, although the cantor may be in another suitable location (GIRM n. 61).
4. The standard profession of faith on Sundays and Solemnities is the Nicene Creed. The Apostles Creed may be used during Lent and Easter (OM, n. 19).
5. Parish announcements should follow the Prayer after Communion at the end of Mass (GIRM n. 90; OM n. 140).