

Welcoming the
ROMAN
MISSAL
THIRD EDITION

Deepen, Nurture, Celebrate



THE DISMISSAL

As we end our liturgical year, our Gospel reminds us about “The End” ... the End Time, the *Parousia*. It’s a reminder to us that through our Baptism, Jesus has sent us out on a mission! We have been, and we are, sent.

Many people’s favorite part of the liturgy is the answer to the question of the child sitting in the back: “When can we go, mom?” It’s the Dismissal.



2005 Synod of Bishops

In the *New Roman Missal*, there are 4 new Dismissal formulas. These came from a recommendation of the bishops at the 2005 Synod. They proposed to our Holy Father that new Dismissal formulas be prepared “which underline the mission in the world of the faithful who have participated in the Eucharist.”

The bishops felt that the last words and directions we hear and are given at Mass, should be a reminder that we aren't simply leaving the building. We leave entering the world with a mission. We are sent forth to put into effect exactly who and what we have received and experienced during the liturgy. The Mass is intended to bring about a change in us, and that change is intended to be shared.

DISMISSAL FORMULAS

- **Go in peace.**
- **Go forth the Mass is ended.**
- **Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.**
- **Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.**

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SENT FORTH ON MISSION



These formulas tell us what is expected of us when we leave our celebration. They are particular reminders to us of our baptismal duty to be missionaries of the Gospel.

In the *New Roman Missal*, we will be sent forth, not to leave the building, but with a challenge to act on our belief and to live a life that reflects who and what we received in the Eucharist.

This is truly . . . The End!