

SCRUTINY: Annotated Outline of the Rite

INTRODUCTORY RITES

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COLLECT PRAYER

- ◆ Always from: “I. For the Conferral of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation –
2. For the Celebration of the Scrutinies”

LITURGY OF THE WORD

READINGS

- ◆ Always use the readings from the Ritual Mass, *Lectionary for Mass*, nos. 745-747 which refer back to LM, nos. 28, 32, 34 for the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent, Year A.
- ◆ No other readings may be used.

HOMILY

INVITATION TO SILENT PRAYER

- ◆ Elect and godparents come forward
- ◆ Assembly may sit
- ◆ Address assembly and then the elect

SILENT PRAYER

- ◆ Assembly stands or kneels
- ◆ Elect bow heads [or kneel]
- ◆ For some time

INTERCESSION FOR THE ELECT
[with General Intercessions]

- ◆ Assembly stands
- ◆ Elect stand [or kneel]
- ◆ Godparents place right hand on shoulder
- ◆ Options A or B or adapt

EXORCISM

- ◆ Option A or B
 - ◆ Prayer to Father with hands joined
 - ◆ Prayer to Holy Spirit by laying hands in silence by presider [director, godparent]
 - ◆ Prayer to Christ with hands outstretched over the elect

- [SONG]
- ◆ An appropriate song, for example, Psalm 6, 26, 32, 38, 39, 40, 51, 116:1-9, 130, 139, or 142
- DISMISSAL OF THE ELECT
- ◆ Option A or B or similar words preferred with the Liturgy of the Eucharist to follow
 - ◆ Option C if for serious reasons the elect cannot leave
 - ◆ Option D if Eucharist does not follow and all are dismissed
- [SONG]
- [GENERAL INTERCESSIONS]
- ◆ Usual intercessions resume if not included with those for the elect
 - ◆ May omit for pastoral reasons
- [PROFESSION OF FAITH]
- ◆ May omit for pastoral reasons
 - ◆ Note: Follows general intercessions in the scrutiny

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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- PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS
- ◆ Always from the Ritual Mass texts
- EUCHARISTIC PRAYER
- Preface
- ◆ Use the designated preface for Third, Fourth, or Fifth Sunday of Lent found in the Proper of Time for each day
- Special Inserts
- ◆ Proper form always from the Ritual Mass texts:
 - ◆ Eucharistic Prayer I provides two inserts, for the elect and the godparents
 - ◆ Eucharistic Prayer II provides one for the elect
 - ◆ Eucharistic Prayer III provides one for the elect
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- PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
- ◆ Always from the Ritual Mass texts