Although we do not often think of this, and even though they are no longer in the same book either in the Latin typical editions or in the vernacular ones, the Lectionary for Mass is part of The Roman Missal. The title pages of the Lectionary make this clear. They are used hand-in-hand.

Lectionary Additions. Just as new procedures, additions, and changes have made their way into the Missal, the same is true for the Lectionary. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [USCCB] Committee on Divine Worship [BCDW] announces the planned publication of the Lectionary for Mass Supplement for early 2017. The details were published in the Newsletter of the committee in the Volume LII, September 2016 issue, pages 29-31. It is excerpt on the following three pages of this resource with permission of the BCDW.

Missal Additions. Since the publication of The Roman Missal, Third Edition was received in Advent 2011, changes have been made to the book. These have been published by the USCCB Committee on Divine Worship and have been announced to the diocese change-by-change. You can find these items on the diocesan website

- worship home page – http://www.dio.org/worship
- Mass and Roman Missal
- Using Roman Missal 3
- The Mass and Its Parts

The direct link is: http://www.dio.org/worship/the-mass-and-its-parts.html.

Liturgy of the Hours Additions. A Liturgy of the Hours Supplement was approved by the USCCB in 2014 and awaits recognitio, that is, confirmation by the Apostolic See. The conference is diligently at work on the new translation.
Committee on Divine Worship Issues *Lectionary for Mass Supplement*

The publication of the *Ordo Lectionum Missae, editio typica altera* in 1981 was an expansion of the 1969 first edition and helped better fulfill the Second Vatican Council’s mandate: “The treasures of the Bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God’s word” (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, no. 51). Nonetheless, new liturgical celebrations continued to be added over the years, both in the General Roman Calendar and in the Proper Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States of America.

On December 18, 2001 – after the promulgation of the *Missale Romanum, editio typica tertia* during the Jubilee Year 2000 – the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments formally inscribed the names of additional saints into the General Roman Calendar and provided Mass formularies, Lectionary citations, and texts for the *Liturgy of the Hours* (Prot. n. 2492/01/L). The Mass formularies were included in the *Roman Missal, Third Edition*, and a *Liturgy of the Hours Supplement* was approved by the USCCB in 2014 and awaits confirmation from the Holy See.

The publication of the current four-volume *Lectionary for Mass* between 1998 and 2002 included all saints and blessed at that time. The Congregation’s decree of new saints, however, came only six months after final confirmation of the current Lectionary. With the passage of time, and another Lectionary update from the Congregation in 2015 (*Notitiae* 51 [2015], 349-360), the Secretariat of Divine Worship began to compile all the updated citations and other corrections into a supplemental volume of the *Lectionary for Mass*. This collection of readings was eventually augmented and developed into the *Lectionary for Mass Supplement*. The Committee on Divine Worship formally approved the supplement’s publication at its June 2015 meeting in St. Louis, Missouri. The supplement will bring the Lectionary up to date until a revised publication of the *Lectionary for Mass* sometime in the future.

In a preface to the new supplement, Bishop Arthur Serratelli, Committee Chairman, writes, “‘Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly’ (Col 3:16). May the *Lectionary for Mass Supplement* be a valuable resource for parishes and liturgical ministers, so that the words of Saint Paul, first addressed to the Church in Colossae, may also encourage the Church in the United States to savor God’s word more deeply and so to grow in holiness.”

The Secretariat of Divine Worship is presently working with liturgical publishers with the hope of producing editions of the *Lectionary for Mass Supplement* by early next year. The supplement may be put into use as soon as it is published. Citations from
the supplement will be appropriately incorporated into participation aids and other liturgical ordos and manuscripts over the course of the next year.

**Additions to the Lectionary for Mass**
Twenty-six new citations are being added to the Lectionary, of which eighteen were prescribed at one time or another by the Holy See. The remainder reflect updates to the U.S. Proper Calendar.

*Proper of Saints* – Except for the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, all additions in this section are Optional Memorials. Thus the principle of *lectio continua* is maintained, whereby the Scripture readings of the day, even in the case of Obligatory or Optional Memorials, are proclaimed as a rule (see *Lectionary for Mass*, Introduction, no. 82):

- **510/I**: The Most Holy Name of Jesus (Jan. 3)
- **516A**: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (Jan. 22)
- **517A**: Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin (Jan. 23)
- **529A**: Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin (Feb. 8)
- **563A**: Our Lady of Fatima (May 13)
- **566A**: Saint Christopher Magellanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (May 21)
- **566B**: Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious (May 22)
- **596A**: Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (July 9)
- **601A**: Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr (July 20)
- **604A**: Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest (July 24)
- **617A**: Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr (Aug. 9)
- **636B**: The Most Holy Name of Mary (Sept. 12)
- **643A**: Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (Sept. 23)
- **651A**: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest (Oct. 5)
- **655A**: Saint John XXIII, Pope (Oct. 11)
- **663A**: Saint John Paul II, Pope (Oct. 22)
- **683C**: Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr (Nov. 25)

*Ritual Masses* – In light of the recently published *Order of Celebrating Matrimony, Second Edition*, one New Testament reading is added to the available options for the celebration of Matrimony (vol. IV, no. 802); this option was mistakenly omitted from the Lectionary during its revision in the 1990s:

- **802-5A**: Ephesians 4:1-6

*Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions* – The readings and psalms for the Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life are now consolidated in one location from their disparate places in the four-volume Lectionary. This collection of readings (3 Old Testament, 5 New Testament, 2 Psalms, 3 Gospel acclamations, and 7 Gospels) may be used on the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22 or other occasions to draw attention to the dignity of human life:

- **947A-947E**: For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life

*Votive Masses* – For the three Votive Masses added to the *Missale Romanum, editio typica tertia* and its vernacular translations, reading options are now accounted for:

- **968A**: The Mercy of God
- **1002-III**: Our Lady, Queen of Apostles
- **1003A**: Saint John the Baptist

**Emendations to Existing Lectionary Citations**
Of the 1,026 citations in the four-volume *Lectionary for Mass*, twelve are being altered in one way or another by the *Lectionary for Mass Supplement*. Seven are technical adjustments only (reflecting recent canonizations or a transfer of date) and do not affect the existing options of readings for those celebrations. Three citations have been enhanced by readings suggestions offered by the Holy See, and one (St. Juan Diego on December 9) is
updated with both reading suggestions and the change in title from Blessed to Saint. Finally, the proper Psalms for the extended form of the Pentecost Vigil have been added, allowing that Mass to be more easily celebrated. *Proper of Time* – For the extended form of the Pentecost Vigil Mass (first suggested in 1988 and formally added to the Missale Romanum in 2008), the four Old Testament readings are given in order, with proper psalms between each reading:

- **62**: Pentecost Sunday: At the Vigil Mass

*Proper of Saints* – Updated citations account for canonizations since 2002, transfer of liturgical celebrations to new dates in both the General Roman Calendar and U.S. Proper Calendar, and the addition of suggested readings by the Holy See:

- **510C**: Saint André Bessette, Religious (Jan. 6) – canonized 2010
- **517**: Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr (Jan. 23) – former date Jan. 22
- **561A**: Saint Damien de Veuster, Priest (May 10) – canonized 2009
- **592A**: Saint Junípero Serra, Priest (July 1) – canonized 2015
- **594**: Saint Elizabeth of Portugal (July 5) – former date July 4
- **599A**: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin (July 14) – canonized 2012
- **623A**: Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious (Aug. 12) – former date Aug. 18
- **636A**: Saint Peter Claver, Priest (Sept. 9) – readings added 1995
- **645A**: Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs (Sept. 28) – readings added 2015
- **683B**: Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (Nov. 24) – readings added 1988
- **689A**: Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin (Dec. 9) – canonized 2002, readings added 2015

Finally, upon publication of the *Lectionary for Mass Supplement*, four adjustments will be necessary in the 2017 and 2018 editions of the Liturgical Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States of America:

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