

Misconception: God Must Want These Changes Since They Have Occurred

To attempt to argue that the New Rite of Mass was directly willed by God seems contrary to logic. God is unchanging, and the limits of the New Rite speak for themselves. If we argue that the New Rite of Mass has been more beneficial to the faithful than the Old Rite, we are clearly in error. The Old Rite denies clear evidence to the contrary. Even if the New Rite is celebrated according to the rubrics, it would be an improvement to many problems which will still remain. The trouble is not so much the abuses (although that is a grave problem), but the changes. (The liturgical isle represents the rite which Cardinals and Bishops said they would like to see in the future, and which was formulated in Session XXII of the Council of Trent.)

Are we seriously to believe that God - who is unchanging - suddenly wanted us to drop a Mass which developed over the centuries under the guidance of Holy Spirit for one created by men in the 1960's with the assistance of Protestant "observers"? Are we to believe that God wanted us to abandon the Mass that was called "the most beautiful thing this side of heaven" and produced many saints for one that is plagued with abuse and one that even high-ranking prelates call "banal"? Common sense alone tells us that the changes - which have resulted in a loss of faith, rampant sacrilege, widespread heresy, a "near collapse" of the Church, and include changes which are contrary to the teachings, warnings or practice of many popes, saints, councils, and even those which oppose Scripture (e.g. 1 Cor. 14:33-35 / 1 Cor. 11:4-10) - could not be positively willed by God. In fact, not even Vatican II called for - or wanted - all the changes which have occurred. We must remember that the mere fact that something has happened, does not mean that God positively willed it, but rather that He tolerates it. In fact, we know that God tolerates many bad (and even evil) things - and the fact that they have occurred in no way means that God directly willed them.

Error: We Can't Have a Traditional Latin Mass at My Parish

Fact: Pope Benedict XVI's 77/07 Motu Proprio allows parishioners to request the traditional rite at their parish (both daily and on Sunday, as well as on feast days) absent from the pastor, who is supposed to "willingly" accept their request. Should he not do so, they may go to the bishop who is "strongly requested" to satisfy their wishes. If he also does not facilitate their request, they may have recourse to the Pontifical Commission "Ecclesia Dei". Ask your Pastor for this incomparable Mass today! *Ask your Pastor for this incomparable Mass today!*

"For the first 30ish years of my life, I attended the New Mass. I have to admit that I attended mostly out of a sense of duty, not wanting to go to hell for missing Mass. Now that I have found the Traditional Mass, I am in love with it. Not only will I do anything I possibly can to attend only this Mass, sparing no expense or trouble, but I look forward to it each week. No longer is Mass merely an obligation, but it is now a true joy. There is nothing like it on this earth." (Traditionalist Testimonies, G.C.)

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The Traditional Latin ("Tridentine") Mass

"Whatever could be conceived as more religious, whatever more excellent in beauty, whatever more sublime in power, this, you may be sure, belongs to God." (St. Ambrose of Milan, Doctor of the Church, c. 378 A.D.)

Selected Latin Mass Facts → Why the Latin Mass? → Brief Comparison of the Old & New Rites of Mass → The Desire for the Traditional Mass - a Mere 'Preference'? → Latin Mass Myths / Clarifications (Abrogated)?, Hard to Understand? Knowledge of Latin?, Participation, Orientation, Kneeling, Etc.)

So what is the attraction of this ancient Mass? The reasons for such devotion are many, and may include:

- The great reverence of the Mass
- The great respect shown the Holy Eucharist
- The unquestionable Catholicity and orthodoxy of the Mass
- The lack of liturgical abuse, distraction, sacrilege, and profanation (which, unfortunately, are so common to Novus Ordo Masses)
- The prayerful atmosphere of the Mass
- The beauty and majesty of the Mass
- The fuller calendar
- The clear sense of the Mass as a sacrifice
- The clarity of the doctrine of the Real Presence
- The emphasis on our sinfulness and dependence on God
- The safeguards inherent in the Mass
- The clear vertical focus of the Mass
- And many other reasons...

Devotees may also point to the Mass' long history, its outstanding fruits, its ability to keep persons safe from modernism ("the synthesis of all heresies"), and the ability of the Mass to foster one's faith. It also preserves a link to our Catholic ancestors.

Furthermore, attendance at Tridentine Masses enables one to avoid the concerns so often associated with the Novus Ordo Mass. For example:

- Concern regarding the assistance of Protestant "advisors" in the fabrication of the Novus Ordo Mass
- Concern regarding the parallels between the Novus Ordo Mass and Protestant "worship services"
- Concern that the changes made to the Mass parallel the changes made by the 16th century Protestant Reformers who purposely introduced those changes to destroy the faith of Catholics
- Concern regarding the near elimination of all negative topics in the readings and prayers of the Novus Ordo Mass (e.g. references to sin, judgment, hell, purgatory, etc.)
- Concern that the Novus Ordo Mass fails to produce a sacred atmosphere conducive to prayer
- Concern that the Novus Ordo Mass has a more horizontal focus
- Concern regarding the blurring of the distinction between the laity and the priest in the Novus Ordo Mass
- Concern over rampant liturgical abuse and novelties in the Novus Ordo Mass (e.g. altar girls, Communion in the hand, lay "ministers", etc.)
- Concern over the bad fruits associated with the Novus Ordo Rite of Mass (e.g. reduced Mass attendance, loss of belief in the Real Presence, etc.)
- Concern that at the Novus Ordo Mass, one is often unable to kneel, pray, etc.
- Concern that it is often difficult to follow biblical precepts regarding worship in a Novus Ordo Mass (e.g. women in head coverings (1 Cor. 11:4-10), silence of women in church (1 Cor. 14:33-35), worship in reverence and awe (Heb. 12:28), etc.)
- Concern regarding the unprecedented fabrication and imposition of a new Mass on the faithful
- Etc.

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