

THE NEW LITURGICAL MOVEMENT – RETRIEVING VATICAN II

A “new liturgical movement” inspired by Pope Benedict XVI is raising some uncomfortable questions. Was *Sacrosanctum Concilium* implemented as the Council Fathers intended? Do we need to go back to the Council document and start again? What would a “reform of the reform” involve? What happens in parishes - does that ignore or deviate from the conciliar source?

The presenter will argue that what has transpired in the Roman Rite over the past fifty years is a case of “loss and gain”. A courageous retrieval of the Vatican II source is needed. Much done in the name of the document is open to challenge including: Mass facing the people, the way we receive Communion, the loss of mystery, vulgar music, secularized worship and a failure to cultivate the *ars celebrandi* at all levels.

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