

Vancouver Traditional Mass Society

(Una Voce Canada)

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“What earlier generations held as sacred, remains sacred and great for us too.”

Thus declared His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI in the explanatory letter accompanying his Apostolic Letter *Summorum Pontificum*, issued *motu proprio* (“on his own initiative”) on July 7, 2007.

Summorum Pontificum restored the Traditional Latin Mass (which the Holy Father described as the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite) to a place at the heart of the Catholic Church’s liturgical life. It gave priests the right to celebrate, without the need to obtain special permission, this older form of the Roman Rite, which had been codified by Pope St. Pius V in 1570 and last revised by Blessed John XXIII in 1962. It also asked pastors and bishops to provide for the celebration of this Mass wherever a group of lay faithful desired it. And it envisioned the co-existence of both the Extraordinary Form and the newer Ordinary Form of the Roman Rite in the same parishes, as well as the establishment of personal parishes dedicated to the Extraordinary Form. One such personal parish is Holy Family Parish in the Archdiocese of Vancouver, established by Archbishop Raymond Roussin in July 2008.

Founded in 1989, the Vancouver Traditional Mass Society (VTMS) supports the Holy Father’s stated goal in issuing *Summorum Pontificum*, that of “coming to an interior reconciliation in the heart of the Church.” It also supports his efforts to foster the proper and reverent celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The VTMS:

- Under the name Una Voce Canada, assists other groups of lay faithful throughout Canada in bringing the celebration of the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite to their parishes or dioceses
- Provides financial support to seminarians at the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter’s Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary in Denton, Nebraska
- Publishes approximately six newsletters a year to inform its members about various aspects of Traditional Catholicism
- Has monthly Masses said for its members

The VTMS is also a member organization of the International Federation Una Voce, a lay movement “whose principal aims are to ensure that the Missale Romanum of Pope John XXIII (1962 edition) is maintained in the Church as one of the forms of liturgical celebration, and to safeguard and promote the use of Latin, Gregorian chant and sacred polyphony.”

By becoming a member of the VTMS, you can help protect and promote the traditions of the Church. You can also support the Holy Father’s efforts to strengthen our Catholic identity by fostering a sense of the sacred in the Church’s liturgical life.

Membership in the VTMS is on an annual basis. The fee is \$20 for an individual membership and \$25 for a family membership. To join, please complete the form below and send it with your cheque to the Vancouver Traditional Mass Society at the address shown above.

Date _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

City and province _____ Postal Code _____

Email address _____

Would you like to receive occasional messages by email? Yes No

Enclosed please find the sum of \$ _____ to be used as follows:

Annual membership fee (single, \$20; family, \$25) \$ _____

New membership Renewal

Vocational assistance (to support seminarians) \$ _____

Donations (to support all programs) \$ _____