

Liturgical Year 2020 Changes and Use Policies

As *The Catholic Navigator* sets out upon its seventh year of charting a course to Christ, rough seas and strong winds complicate our passage. The Church is being buffeted, and in some countries nearly obliterated. A new age of martyrdom has dawned. And while we are assured that the Gates of Hell will not ultimately prevail, large numbers of baptized Catholics have faltered in their trust in Christ and no longer claim any religious affiliation. The faith of youth and young adults in today's culture is particularly at risk. * Thus, we have made adjustments to respond to these ever-shifting seas:

□ *The Catholic Tugboat*, in dry-dock during Liturgical Year 2019, has been relaunched for LY2020 to address third to fifth grade children following their reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist. Each issue assumes the involvement of parents with the child.

□ *The Catholic Schooner* will continue to address the interests of middle school/junior high school youth, a group identified as quite vulnerable to the distracting influences of the secular culture.

□ *The Catholic Clipper* has been refined in its focus for young adults, both single and married with small children.

□ *The Catholic Navigator*, on the other hand, has been broadened in its approach so as to set the theme of family catechesis across all publications.

Our website, <https://TheCatholicNavigator.org> has moved to a more secure hosting arrangement and continues to expand its inclusion of source material emphasizing the interconnectedness of the publications. The Galley page's *Voices from Catholic Land* each week presents links to current articles of interest appearing in Catholic blogs, news sources and online publications. To that page is also added a section, entitled *For the Attention of Catholic Youth and Parents*, to post items of interest.

We continue to honor our discernment that we will not charge either individuals or institutions for what we have been gifted by Christ through His Church and which we are privileged to transmit with ecclesial approval. Moreover, *The Catholic Navigator* has not sought IRS 501C-3 status. Thus, we trust in Our Lord's providential care and the intercession of Our Lady, Star of the Sea and St. Maximilian Kolbe.

Regarding parishes and schools: previously an institutional license permitted only print copy for parochial or school use. Effective in Liturgical Year 2019 parishes and schools could apply for permission to post the current week's publication (in PDF format) at the parish/school website. We only require three things: 1. that there are no alterations to the file, 2. that it appears in its entirety with the footnoted Imprimatur section clearly evident, and, 3. that below the file these words are printed:

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Please also note, if in LY2019 you requested the bulk emailing of an upcoming month's issues of the subscribed Faith Supplement, please request this when you request an LY2020 institutional license. Many, however, have found it convenient to download from the website each Monday morning.

Please take time to acquaint other parishes and schools with our Faith Supplements and our use policies. There can never be too many witnesses for Jesus Christ

*Regarding the Faith and the culture's threat to Catholic youth, our Bishops have made a particular note of this in this year's announcement of the Catechetical theme, ***Stay With Us***:

<http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/index.cfm>

And for further information about Catechetical Sunday:

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