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# Public Lecture by Rev Professor John F. Baldwin SJ



## A Liturgical Reform in Peril? Sacrosanctum Concilium Sixty Years On

**The modern liturgical movement reached a highpoint with the promulgation of Vatican II's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (1963). But promulgation is one thing, reception another. How has the Constitution been received? Is the vision of the reform in peril? What remains to be done? How have the recent statements of Pope Francis moved the reform of the liturgy forward? What are the prospects for the future?**



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Widely published in journals including *Worship*, *Theological Studies*, *America*, and *Commonweal*, Fr. Baldwin's books include *The Urban Character of Christian Worship: The Origins, Development and Meaning of Stational Liturgy* (Pontifical Institute of Oriental Studies, 1987); *Living Bread, Saving Cup: Understanding the Mass* (Rowman and Littlefield, 2003), *Reforming the Liturgy: A Response to the Critics* (Liturgical, 2008) and *Catholic Sacraments*, edited with David Turnbloom (Paulist, 2015).

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**Date:**

Sunday 3 December 2023

**Time:**

5pm – 6.30pm (AEDT)

**Venue:**

The Julien O'Connell Lecture Theatre, St Teresa of Kolkata Building 421.2.03 115b Victoria Pde Fitzroy Vic 3065

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**Registration by:**

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