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Latin Mass Orientation Videos on YouTube

Recently the subject came up in discussion as to whether there were any videos on YouTube meant to help newcomers become familiar with the Traditional Latin Mass. In this day and age when so much instructional material has made its way to the Internet, the answer is yes, there are many such videos. Many of those videos are intended primarily to train priests and altar servers, but there are a few geared towards laypeople. Here are some examples:

"How to Follow the Latin Mass – Low Mass" is a 30 minute tutorial that makes reference to the ubiquitous Red Missals and quotes their page numbers to correspond with what the priest is doing as the Mass progresses. This is probably the best all-around video to orient a newcomer.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZopkMGODb_k&t=0s



"Complete Latin Mass with Fr Jacob Hsieh" explains what the priest does at the altar with up-close shots. See: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kqyIQnL4KNs



"The Traditional Latin Mass Explained" is a 19 minute overview of the Mass by an enthusiastic young lady who explains each part of the Mass, start to finish.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uGtyd9_RCyo

"How to use a 1962 Traditional Latin Mass Missal" does just what the title says.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WxGmWoDrBkQ



Historic Jesuit Vocations Video on YouTube

A reader recommended to us "The Greater Glory," a video posted to YouTube created by the Jesuits in the 1950s to promote vocations to their order. At a macro level, it presents a picture of the years of formation as academically challenging and utterly traditional, as one might envisage life at the Fraternity of St. Peter or Institute of Christ the King seminaries today. One cannot help but wonder if vocations recruitment efforts might be more successful if such a rigorous, demanding, and traditional environment were still the norm.

One particularly interesting detail is the longer-than-usual formation the Jesuits underwent then, and still do today:

Year 1-2: Novitiate Year 3-4: Juniorate

Year 5-7: Philosophy

Year 8-10: Regency (teaching at a Jesuit school)

Year 11-14: Theology

Their formation continues even after they are ordained to the priesthood. This is one reason why Jesuits have historically been thought of as an intellectual army.



Watch the video at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q-uHTtX8 Xk