

Unit Code
L7200
Unit Name
Liturgical Rites
Unit Weighting
9 cps
Type of Unit
Intermediate
Prerequisites, corequisites or exclusions
9 L cr pts
Academic Staff
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Curriculum Objectives
This course unit builds on the Introduction to Worship with a particular focus on rites other than those of Christian initiation. It enables sacramental and non-sacramental Christian traditions to study the role of rites in their ecclesial life.
Learning Outcomes
At the end of this unit students will be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. demonstrate a sound knowledge of history, structure, and symbolism of particular rites. 2. articulate a sound comprehension of the spiritual richness and transformative power of liturgical rites. 3. employ a ritual framework to devise rites and sacramental expressions where required. 4. Give appropriate pastoral expression to liturgical rites. 5. participate with greater intellectual and spiritual awareness in the worship and mysteries of the Church.
Threshold concept to be acquired in this unit
Content
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The range of ecclesial rites and sacramental expressions drawn from worship books and ecclesial traditions and emerging pastoral needs 2) History, structure and symbolism of particular rites/sacramental expressions 3) Planning and leading particular rites 4) The nexus between pastoral context and ritual application 5) The relationship between Christian ritual/sacramental expression and contemporary culture eg reconciliation 6) The development of new rites/sacramental expressions to meet emerging needs eg workplace closure.
Teaching Methods
Practicum, Group Projects, Tutorials, Lectures, Student Presentations, Online Tutorials, Other
Required Specialist Facilities or Equipment
Assessment Profile
<p>Assessments tasks are designed both to help students attain the unit outcomes and to enable teachers to assess student attainment. In this unit, the required assessment tasks will enable students to demonstrate how successfully they can</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Analyse recent writing on Christian rites or sacramental expressions other than those of initiation (e.g. critical review, short essay) [Outcome 1] 2. Present a coherent theological understanding of the transformative power of Christian rites in relation to ecclesial life (e.g. essay) [Outcomes 2, 3, 5] 3. Apply the basic principles of liturgical theology to one or more pastoral contexts (e.g. student presentation, written report)[Outcomes 3, 4, 5]
Representative References

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