

The Sixteen Documents of Vatican II – 52 Week Reading Plan

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Week	1st Day	2nd Day	3rd Day	4th Day	5th Day	6th Day	7th Day
1	LG 1-2	LG 3-4	LG 5	LG 6	LG 7	LG 8	LG 9
2	LG 10	LG 11	LG 12	LG 13	LG 14	LG 15	LG 16
3	LG 17	LG 18	LG 19	LG 20	LG 21	LG 22	LG 23
4	LG 24	LG 25	LG 26	LG 27	LG 28	LG 29	LG 30-31
5	LG 32	LG 33-34	LG 35	LG 36	LG 37-38	LG 39-40	LG 41
6	LG 42	LG 43	LG 44	LG 45	LG 46-47	LG 48	LG 49
7	LG 50	LG 51	LG 52-54	LG 55-56	LG 57-59	LG 60-61	LG 62-63
8	LG 64-65	LG 66-67	LG 68-69	LG note 1-2	LG note 3-4	AA 1	AA 2
9	AA 3	AA 4	AA 5-6	AA 7	AA 8	AA 9-10	AA 11
10	AA 12	AA 13	AA 14	AA 15-16	AA 17	AA 18	AA 19
11	AA 20	AA 21-22	AA 23-24	AA 25	AA 26-27	AA 28-29	AA 30
12	AA 31	AA 32-33	PO 1	PO 2	PO 3	PO 4	PO 5
13	PO 6	PO 7	PO 8	PO 9	PO 10	PO 11	PO 12
14	PO 13	PO 14	PO 15	PO 16	PO 17	PO 18	PO 19
15	PO 20	PO 21	PO 22	PC 1	PC 2	PC 3-4	PC 5-6
16	PC 7-8	PC 9-11	PC 12	PC 13	PC 14	PC 15-16	PC 17-19
17	PC 20-23	PC 24-25	CD 1-3	CD 4-5	CD 6-7	CD 8-10	CD 11-12
18	CD 13-14	CD 15	CD 16	CD 17-18	CD 19-21	CD 22	CD 23
19	CD 24	CD 25-26	CD 27	CD 28-29	CD 30	CD 31-32	CD 33-34
20	CD 35	CD 36-37	CD 38	CD 39-41	CD 42-43	CD 44	OE 1-2
21	OE 3-4	OE 5-6	OE 7-8	OE 9-11	OE 12-15	OE 16-18	OE 19-23
22	OE 24-26	OE 27-29	OE 30	SC 1-4	SC 5-6	SC 7-8	SC 9-10
23	SC 11-13	SC 14-16	SC 17-20	SC 21-25	SC 26-32	SC 33-36	SC 37-40
24	SC 41-42	SC 43-46	SC 47-49	SC 50-54	SC 55-58	SC 59-62	SC 63-68
25	SC 69-76	SC 77-82	SC 83-87	SC 88-90	SC 91-96	SC 97-101	SC 102-105
26	SC 106-111	SC 112-116	SC 117-121	SC 122-124	SC 125-130	IM 1-2	IM 3-4
27	IM 5-7	IM 8-10	IM 11-12	IM 13-14	IM 15-17	IM 18-21	IM 22-24
28	GE preface	GE 1	GE 2	GE 3	GE 4-5	GE 6-7	GE 8
29	GE 9	GE 10	GE 11-concl.	OT intro-1	OT 2	OT 3-4	OT 5-7
30	OT 8	OT 9	OT 10	OT 11	OT 12	OT 13-14	OT 15
31	OT 16	OT 17-18	OT 19	OT 20-21	OT 22-concl.	GS 1-3	GS 4
32	GS 5-6	GS 7-8	GS 9	GS 10	GS 11-12	GS 13-14	GS 15-16
33	GS 17-18	GS 19	GS 20	GS 21	GS 22	GS 23-24	GS 25
34	GS 26	GS 27-28	GS 29-30	GS 31	GS 32	GS 33-34	GS 35-36
35	GS 37	GS 38	GS 39	GS 40	GS 41	GS 42	GS 43
36	GS 44	GS 45	GS 46-47	GS 48	GS 49	GS 50	GS 51
37	GS 52	GS 53	GS 54-55	GS 56	GS 57	GS 58-59	GS 60
38	GS 61	GS 62	GS 63	GS 64-65	GS 66	GS 67	GS 68
39	GS 69-70	GS 71-72	GS 73	GS 74	GS 75	GS 76	GS 77
40	GS 78	GS 79	GS 80	GS 81	GS 82	GS 83-84	GS 85
41	GS 86	GS 87	GS 88-89	GS 90-91	GS 92	GS 93	UR 1
42	UR 2	UR 3	UR 4	UR 5-6	UR 7	UR 8	UR 9-10
43	UR 11-12	UR 13	UR 14	UR 15	UR 16-17	UR 18	UR 19-20
44	UR 21-22	UR 23-24	DH 1	DH 2	DH 3	DH 4-5	DH 6
45	DH 7-8	DH 9-10	DH 11	DH 12-13	DH 14	DH 15	NA 1
46	NA 2	NA 3	NA 4	NA 5	AG 1	AG 2-3	AG 4
47	AG 5	AG 6	AG 7	AG 8	AG 9	AG 10-11	AG 12
48	AG 13	AG 14	AG 15	AG 16	AG 17	AG 18	AG 19
49	AG 20	AG 21	AG 22	AG 23-24	AG 25	AG 26	AG 27
50	AG 28-29	AG 30-31	AG 32-34	AG 35-37	AG 38	AG 39	AG 40
51	AG 41-42	DV 1	DV 2-3	DV 4-6	DV 7	DV 8	DV 9-10
52	DV 11	DV 12-13	DV 14-16	DV 17-18	DV 19-20	DV 21-23	DV 24-26

AA – *Apostolicam Actuositatem*

DV – *Dei Verbum*

LG – *Lumen Gentium*

PC – *Perfectae Caritatis*

AD – *Ad Gentes*

GE – *Gravissimum Educationis*

NA – *Nostra Aetate*

PO – *Presbyterorum Ordinis*

CD – *Christus Dominus*

GS – *Gaudium et Spes*

OE – *Orientalium Ecclesiarum*

SC – *Sacrosanctum Concilium*

DH – *Dignitatis Humanae*

IM – *Inter Mirifica*

OT – *Optatam Totius*

UR – *Unitatis Redintegratio*

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Constitutions

Dec. 4, 1963	<i>Sacrosanctum Concilium</i>	Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy
Nov. 21, 1964	<i>Lumen Gentium</i>	Dogmatic Constitution on the Church
Nov. 18, 1965	<i>Dei Verbum</i>	Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation
Dec. 7, 1965	<i>Gaudium et Spes</i>	Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World

Decrees

Dec. 4, 1963	<i>Inter Mirifica</i>	Decree on the Media of Social Communications
Nov. 21, 1964	<i>Orientalium Ecclesiarum</i>	Decree on the Eastern Catholic Churches
Nov. 21, 1964	<i>Unitatis Redintegratio</i>	Decree on Ecumenism
Oct. 28, 1965	<i>Christus Dominus</i>	Decree on the Pastoral Office of Bishops
Oct. 28, 1965	<i>Optatam Totius</i>	Decree on Priestly Training
Oct. 28, 1965	<i>Perfectae Caritatis</i>	Decree on the Adaptation and Renewal of Religious Life
Nov. 18, 1965	<i>Apostolicam Actuositatem</i>	Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity
Dec. 7, 1965	<i>Ad Gentes</i>	Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church
Dec. 7, 1965	<i>Presbyterorum Ordinis</i>	Decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests

Declarations

Oct. 28, 1965	<i>Gravissimum Educationis</i>	Declaration on Christian Education
Dec. 7, 1965	<i>Dignitatis Humanae</i>	Declaration on Religious Freedom
Dec. 7, 1965	<i>Nostra Aetate</i>	Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions

The daily division is slightly adapted from that of the *Daily Reading Plan* of **The Great Grace** website, <http://vaticantwo.wordpress.com/>. The arrangement of documents there, however, has been abandoned here.

The arrangement here has been designed to spread the most important documents – the constitutions – through the entire year, rather than bunching them all at the beginning. Furthermore, the other documents – decrees and declarations – have been interspersed largely according to their relationship to the constitutions. This aspect of the arrangement is inspired by a graphic overview of the relationship among Vatican II's documents originally appearing in the January 2002 issue of *The Sower*, published by Maryvale Institute, and displayed on the website of the **Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions**, <http://www.fdlc.org/>.

No division or arrangement, however, is going to be entirely unobjectionable. And none can be useful unless it is actually *used*. ☺

Each day's selection is rather short. For some people, it may be more desirable to read all of the passages for a week on one day, whenever the most time is available. For others, this arrangement may be more useful as a guide for reading the documents at one's own pace throughout the year, rather than as a detailed schedule to be followed strictly.

Here are several websites where one can find on-line versions of the documents:

http://www.vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/index.htm

<http://www.intratext.com/ixt/eng0037/>

<http://www.ewtn.com/library/councils/v2all.htm>