

RECEPTION OF THE HOLY OILS

The Roman Missal, Third Edition has a new rubric at the end of the texts for the Chrism Mass.

15. **The reception of the Holy Oils may take place in individual parishes either before the celebration of the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper or at another time that seems more appropriate.**

The Missal does not provide a text for this reception. The USCCB Committee for Divine Worship, however, has adapted an earlier text that was part of the Sacramentary Supplement to the second edition of the Missal.

Here is the entire text.

The following words are used to present the Oils:

Oil of the Sick

Presenter: Oil of the Sick

This Oil of the Sick has been blessed by our Archbishop for the healing of body, mind, and soul.
May the sick, who are anointed with it,
experience the compassion of Christ and his saving love.

Oil of Catechumens

Presenter: Oil of Catechumens

This Oil of Catechumens has been blessed by our Archbishop for the anointing of those preparing for Baptism.
Through this anointing they are strengthened by Christ to resist the power of Satan and reject evil in all its forms, as they prepare for the saving waters of Baptism.

Holy Chrism

Presenter: Holy Chrism

This holy Chrism, a mixture of olive oil and perfume, has been consecrated by our Archbishop and the Priests of our Archdiocese. It will be used to anoint infants after Baptism, those who are to be confirmed, Bishops and Priests at their Ordination, and altars and churches at the time of their dedication.