

# Liturgy of the Hours, Second Edition

Volume II

Premium Leather



## LITURGICAL NOTES

### TRANSLATION & SOURCE

Second English Edition, translated from the *Liturgia Horarum*, *editio typica altera*

### APPROVED FOR USE

The dioceses within the territory of the USCCB

### USE DATES

First Use: February 10, 2027 (Ash Wednesday)

Mandatory Use: December 3, 2028 (First Sunday in Advent)

## FORMAT

### BOOK DIMENSIONS

5.0 W x 7.4 H x 2.6 D in / 126.5 x 189.0 x 66.0 mm (Standard Print) / 6.0 x 9.0 x 2.6 in / 152.5 x 231.0 x 66.0 mm (Large Print)

### PAGE SIZE

4.5 x 6.75 in (Standard Print) / 5.5 x 8.375 in (Large Print)

### PAGE COUNT

2,640 pages

### YAPP

Quarter-inch / 6.35 mm

### TYPE SIZE

10 pt (Standard Print) / 12.41 pt (Large Print)

### RETAIL PRICE

\$129.99 (Standard Print) / \$139.99 (Large Print)

## INCLUDED

### PRESENTATION

Protective keepsake box

### REFERENCE AIDS

Three tri-fold cards, care card, 2027 Annual Guide (Vol. II)

## CRAFTSMANSHIP & DESIGN

### COVER

Genuine top-grain goatskin leather / Black

### BINDING

Smyth-sewn and edge-lined with gold perimeter stitching

### LAY-FLAT

Oxford hollow, lay-flat binding

### LINER

Genuine black calfskin liner

### RAISED SPINE HUBS

Five raised hubs

### RIBBONS

Eight satin ribbons, secured to the spine

### TYPOGRAPHY & LAYOUT

Custom Ascension Serif, designed and typeset by 2K/DENMARK

### LINE-MATCHED TEXT

Text aligned both sides of the page to minimize show-through

### ILLUSTRATIONS

Custom sacred art from New Jerusalem Studios

### PAPER

Light cream, 36 gsm, 80.4% opacity, 73.5% brightness

### PAGE EDGES

Gold gilding

### PRINTER & BINDERY

Amity Printing

### STEWARDSHIP

Sustainable Typesetting®, FSC® Certified Paper

Standard Print size pictured.

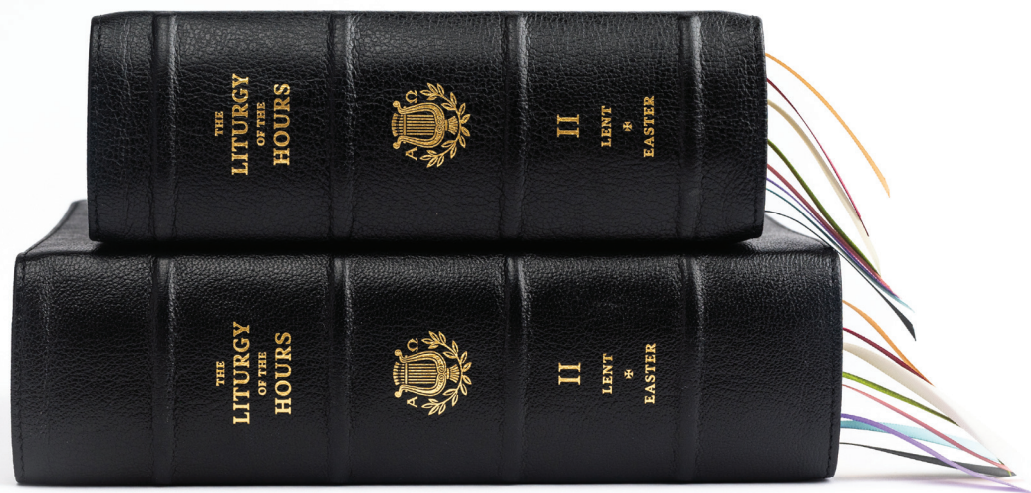
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# Materials & Construction

A closer look at the craftsmanship, sustainability, and sourcing that distinguish this edition.



## PRINTER

This edition is printed and bound by Amity Printing, the Bible printer established jointly in China by United Bible Societies and The Amity Foundation. Founded in the U.K. in 1946, United Bible Societies is a global fellowship dedicated to making the Bible available and accessible. The Amity Foundation, founded in 1985, is an independent, 5A-rated, faith-based organization dedicated to serving Christians and the broader society in China. Today, Amity Printing is one of the world's largest Bible printers, and United Bible Societies' share of Amity's profits is used in rural China to subsidize Bible distribution.

## MATERIALS

### LEATHER

This edition uses top-grain leather sustainably sourced locally by the printer. Top-grain leather comes from the strongest outer layer of the hide, preserving the natural grain and character of the leather while providing a smooth, supple finish. Goatskin's fine texture and natural flexibility make it an ideal choice for a book designed to be opened every day.

### PAPER

This custom 36 gsm coated cream paper was developed in collaboration with our printer to achieve an optimal balance of opacity (80.4%), brightness (73.5%), and color. Working together with the line-matched layout, it minimizes ghosting while providing a smooth surface designed for extended reading.

## INK

The soy-based inks used in this edition are formulated with renewable, bio-based raw materials as a lower-VOC alternative to petroleum-based inks. Their low-odor, solvent-free formulation supports high-quality printing while supporting lower-emission production.

## CONSTRUCTION

### BINDING

Each edge-lined binding is completed by hand, with the leather carefully turned in and adhered directly to the edges of the sewn text block before the leather liner is attached to create a seamless, finished interior. Regarded as one of the finest methods of bookbinding, this technique produces a stronger hinge, a more natural lay-flat opening, and exceptional long-term durability.

## STEWARDSHIP

### SUSTAINABLE TYPESETTING®

Developed by 2K/DENMARK, this methodology combines highly readable typeface design with efficient page layout. By carefully balancing font design, spacing, margins, and white space, the page design helps maintain readability while reducing overall page count and paper use.

### FSC® CERTIFIED PAPER

The paper used is certified by the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®), an international nonprofit that promotes responsible forest management. This certification ensures that forest products are sourced according to rigorous environmental, social, and economic standards.

*Standard and Large Print size pictured.*

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