

# LMS RESIDENTIAL LATIN & GREEK COURSE:

## Further information on Latin



### The purpose of the Course

We at the Latin Mass Society, mindful of our Charitable Objects to promote the ancient liturgy of the Catholic Church, and the use of the Latin language in the Church, have established this course to assist clergy who wish to learn or improve their Latin in order to celebrate Mass in Latin, and for all who may be interested in the language from devotional, cultural, or scholarly motives.

### What kind of Latin?

There are different kinds of Latin as there are different kinds of any widely-used language, with specialist vocabulary and characteristic idioms. This course is concerned with the Latin of the traditional Catholic liturgy, and with the help of the Latin Mass Society's coursebook, *Simplicissimus*, it makes use of examples, exercises, and reading passages from the Missal. As well as introducing students to the cadences of the liturgy, it makes maximum use of whatever Latin students may have picked up from the liturgy.

### What kind of course?

The Latin Mass Society's Latin Course is unique in providing an intensive introduction to the Latin language in the context of the liturgy and spirituality of the ancient Roman liturgical tradition. The Traditional Mass will be celebrated each day during the course for all participants who wish to attend. A number of students have in the past also said or sung Compline together after the evening meal. Tutors are able to point to connections and insights into Catholic liturgy and theology arising from the course material, which as noted derives from the ancient Missal.

Students from all backgrounds are welcome at the course; all students are asked to respect the course's special ethos.

The course is designed for adults, but we do not impose a strict minimum age.

### What level of prior knowledge?

We have tutors who will teach two groups of students, more or less advanced in their knowledge.

When booking, please assign yourself to one or other group:

- (1) Those who are beginners together with those who need to learn or revise from the beginning.
- (2) Those who know the basic conjugations and declensions and want to go on from there.

If you need to move from one group to the other at any stage this will be possible.

### Our Tutors

**Fr John Hunwicke** a priest of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham, won an Open Scholarship to read *Litterae Humaniores* at Oxford University and subsequently taught Latin for many years at Lancing College in Sussex. He blogs at <http://liturgicalnotes.blogspot.co.uk/>

**Nathan J. Freeman** is a Ph.D candidate at the University of Leiden, Netherlands, in Philosophy; he holds an M.A. in Classics (2010) and German Literature (2011) from University of Kentucky. He is also Student Administrator at the International Theological Institute Catholic University in Trumau, Austria.

### Priests celebrating Mass

Students who are Catholic priests will be able to celebrate Mass privately in whatever Form, Use, or Rite they wish. The Chapel is in use at certain times of day, but times and places for the celebration of Mass, and the necessary liturgical items, can be arranged with the organisers. Priests are asked to bring their own 'small linens' and albs for convenience, and an Altar Missal if they have one.

## The Venue

Park Place is a Georgian house in Hampshire, which was converted from a family home first into a school, and then into a pastoral centre. It is run by a community of Roman Catholic Franciscan nuns. Southampton Airport Parkway is the nearest mainline station. Fareham and Botley are the nearest local stations (change at Eastleigh). It is also possible to travel by bus from London Victoria to Fareham.

**The address is:** The address is Wickham, Fareham, Hampshire PO17 5HA;

The venue **telephone number** is: **01329 833043**.

**Public transport:** Southampton Airport Parkway is the nearest mainline station. Fareham and Botley are the nearest local stations (change at Eastleigh). It is also possible to travel by bus from London Victoria to Fareham.

**The LMS representative on site will be Lucy Shaw: 07968 339031.** Please let her know if you are running late for registration.

## Length of the Course

The course starts with lunch on Monday and ends with lunch on Saturday. We hope this will be as convenient as possible for priests with parish responsibilities. **Registration is from 11.30am to 12.30pm on Monday.**

## Fees and Discounts (book on the LMS website: [www.lms.org.uk](http://www.lms.org.uk))

There are discounts for clergy (including deacons), and seminarians (including those about to join seminary), and for those in full-time education.

There is a discount for members of the Latin Mass Society, which is larger than the membership fee, so if you are not a member, be sure to sign up at the same time, even if not based in the UK!

The fee includes a copy of the LMS coursebook *Simplicissimus*, which includes grammatical tables and helpful vocabulary, as well as examples, exercises, reading passages and so on which may be used during the course.

The fee includes accommodation and meals. A reduced fee is available for those who wish to make their own arrangements for accommodation (they will still get lunch and dinner at Park Place).

## ADVANCE PREP

### Please learn these before the course!

The tables on the next page represent the most basic aspects of Latin grammar, which are usually dealt with in the opening pages of Latin course books. Your familiarity with them will get you off to a flying start in the course, so if you don't know them already, please learn them now—it won't take you long. Don't worry about what they mean, all will be revealed!

This information was prepared by Joseph Shaw

The Latin Mass Society 11-13 Macklin Street, London WC2B 5NH

Website: [www.lms.org.uk](http://www.lms.org.uk); E-mail: [info@lms.org.uk](mailto:info@lms.org.uk) Telephone: (+44) (0)20 7404 7284

Registered Charity Number: 248388

## Verbs

Singular

Plural

1<sup>st</sup> Conjugation: *amō, amāre*—to love

<i>amō</i>	I love	<i>amāmus</i>	we love
<i>amās</i>	thou lovest/ you love	<i>amātis</i>	you love
<i>amat</i>	he/she/it loves	<i>amant</i>	they love

2<sup>nd</sup> Conjugation: *moneō, monēre*—to warn, advise

<i>moneō</i>	I warn	<i>monēmus</i>	we warn
<i>monēs</i>	thou warnest/ you warn	<i>monētis</i>	you warn
<i>monet</i>	he/she/it warns	<i>monent</i>	they warn

3<sup>rd</sup> Conjugation: *rego, régere*—to rule

<i>regō</i>	I rule	<i>régimus</i>	we rule
<i>regis</i>	thou rulest/ you rule	<i>régitis</i>	you rule
<i>regit</i>	he/she/it rules	<i>regunt</i>	they rule

4<sup>th</sup> Conjugation: *aúdiō, audíre*—to hear

<i>aúdiō</i>	I hear	<i>audímus</i>	we hear
<i>audīs</i>	thou hearst/ you hear	<i>audītis</i>	you hear
<i>audit</i>	he/she/it hears	<i>aúdiunt</i>	they hear

## Nouns

1<sup>st</sup> Declension (fem.) ending in *-a*:  
*mensa, -ae* (f) – table

2<sup>nd</sup> Declension (masc.) ending in *-us*:  
*servus, -i* – servant or slave

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	<i>mēnsa</i>	<i>mēnsae</i>
Voc.	<i>mēnsa</i>	<i>mēnsae</i>
Acc.	<i>mēnsam</i>	<i>mēnsās</i>
Gen.	<i>mēnsae</i>	<i>mēnsārum</i>
Dat.	<i>mēnsae</i>	<i>mēnsīs</i>
Abl.	<i>mēnsā</i>	<i>mēnsīs</i>

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	<i>servus</i>	<i>servī</i>
Voc.	<i>serve</i>	<i>servī</i>
Acc.	<i>servum</i>	<i>servōs</i>
Gen.	<i>servī</i>	<i>servōrum</i>
Dat.	<i>servō</i>	<i>servīs</i>
Abl.	<i>servō</i>	<i>servīs</i>