

“Take in your hands the documents of the Council. Study them with **loving attention**, in a spirit of **prayer**, to **discover** what the Spirit wished to say about the Church” (Pope St John Paul II in a Homily, 26 January 1979).

Most Catholics are familiar with Vatican II and have likely heard the phrase, "...in the spirit of Vatican II...". However, few Catholics have actually read the documents. Now is the time to embrace these beautiful statements of **what the Church believes** (Lumen Gentium), **how the Church celebrates what it believes** (Sacrosanctum Concilium), **how the Church lives out what it celebrates and believes** (Gadium et Spes); and **how the Church keeps on living out what it celebrates and believes** (Dei Verbum).

This Holy Council...

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Parish Studies:
The Major Documents of the Second Vatican Council



You are cordially invited to the Monday and the Thursday Night Scripture Study:

On Monday Evenings: In the Main Worship Space - 6:30 Snacks, Study 7-8:30 pm.

On Thursday Evening: In the St John Paul II Center - 7-8:30pm

Part I - DOGMATIC CONSTITUTION ON THE CHURCH

LUMEN GENTIUM - Mondays (18 Sept – 30 Oct) or Thursdays (21 Sept – 2 Nov)

Part II - CONSTITUTION ON THE SACRED LITURGY

SACROSANCTUM CONCILIUM - Mondays (6 Nov – 18 Dec) or Thursdays (9 Nov – 21 Dec)

Monday / Thursday Night Scripture Study – This Holy Council Meeting and Topic Schedule

Part I: DOGMATIC CONSTITUTION ON THE CHURCH LUMEN GENTIUM

Date	Topic	Reading
18/21 September 2017	Using the Catechism / Course Overview	None
25/28 September 2017	Why a Vatican II Council – What we Believe	St Pope John XXIII opening speech
2/5 October 2017	A Mysterious Church	LG Chapter I and II
16 /19 October 2017	A Holy Church	LG – Chapters III - VI
23 / 26 October 2017	A Pilgrim Church and Its Mother	LG – Chapters VII-VIII
30 Oct / 2 Nov 2017	Insights	

Part II – CONSTITUTION ON THE SACRED LITURGY SACROSANCTUM CONCILIMUM

6 / 9 November 2017	Introduction – How We Celebrate What We Believe - The Nature of Sacred Liturgy	Introduction / SC Chapter I
13 / 16 November 2017	The Eucharist – Source and Summit	SC Chapter II
27 Nov / 1 Dec	Sacraments and Sacramentals	SC Chapter III and IV
4 / 7 December 2017	The Seasons and the Beauty	SC Chapter V and VI
11 / 14 December 2017	Insights	