



The Second Vatican Council said:

“The use of the Latin language is to be preserved in the Latin rites.” (SC §36 n1)

Canon lawyer Georg May says: “This sentence has imposed a command to preserve the Latin language.

In contrast to the translation produced under the auspices of the German bishops, it must be observed that

the official text of the document employs the subjunctive *servetur*

and therefore expresses a command, not merely a recommendation.

The Latin language must be preserved.

The word *USUS* clearly commands the actual employment of the Latin language and not simply a possibility of its being used...”

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