



CONGREGATIO DE CULTU DIVINO
ET DISCIPLINA SACRAMENTORUM

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Dear Mr. Flores,

This Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments writes in response to your letter of 25 June regarding the performances of a "liturgical dance and drama ministry" in your parish.

The liturgical law of the Roman Rite does not foresee the use of dance or drama within the Sacred Liturgy, unless particular legislation has been enacted by the Bishops' Conference and confirmed by the Holy See. Any other practice is to be considered an abuse.

These activities ~~could, however,~~ be useful outside the Sacred Liturgy in the work of catechesis and evangelization, if appropriately directed by the Bishop and his clergy.

You would be encouraged to bring this to the attention to those responsible in your parish. Should any unlawful practices persist, the matter should be brought to the Bishop of the Diocese.

With gratitude for your concern for the Sacred Liturgy, and with kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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