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Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [CSL], *Sacrosanctum concilium* [SC], 4 December 1963.

Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World [CCMW], *Gaudium et spes* [GS], 7 December 1965.

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Declaration on the Relation of the Church to Non-Christian Religions, *Nostra aetate* [NA], 28 October 1965.
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Decree on Priestly Training, *Optatam totius* [OT], 28 October 1965.  


Decree Concerning the Pastoral Office of Bishops in the Church, *Christus Dominus* [CD], 28 October 1965.  


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