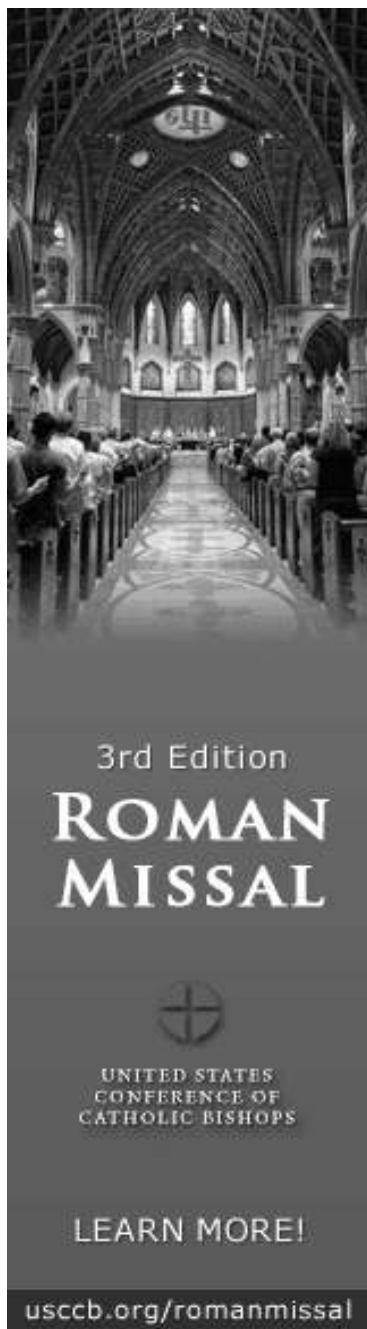


## CONSUBSTANTIALEM – “consubstantial”

Now we say, “One in being with the Father” during the Nicene Creed.

*Beginning Nov. 27, we’ll say...*

**“consubstantial with the Father”**



### Here’s why there is a change:

- ! Remember the Arians? Seventeen hundred years ago, the Church was embroiled in a conflict caused by the priest Arius who said that Jesus was just the First Creature created, not the Second Person of the Trinity. When Emperor Constantine called the Bishops together at Nicea, he told them to settle the problem and they came up with a Greek word called “homoousios” which means “the Father and the Son are of the same substance”.
- ! The Latin word for “homoousios” is “consubstantialem” from which we get the English word “**consubstantial**”.
- ! When the English Mass was introduced that word was simplified into three words: “one in being”. Yet, though it seems simpler it is not. After all, aren’t we all “one in being” with the Father since he created us? But, “**consubstantial**” is more accurate and keeps the relationship just between the Father and the Son.
- ! Words are crucial and without this word, we will not really understand who Christ is. Without this word, he remains just a nice guy, a sort of Christian Hercules, a neat teacher, but not Lord and Savior.

