

## **Full-Time Christians The Real Challenge from Vatican II**

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This book seeks to extend the Christian's view of spirituality and being religious from Sunday worship to the entirety of life experiences with special emphasis on work. Droel begins with Vatican II's statement that the vocation of the laity is to engage in temporal affairs and order them to the plan of God.

Droel discusses that vision of the laity's vocation and explores its implications for the laity. First, he deals with a need to move beyond service only to the parish church—as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, etc.—to grow spiritually in and through the ordinary duties and toil of everyday life in their families, workplaces, and community.

In the course of the book, Droel moves from a consideration of the spirituality of work for the individual to a consideration of the broader reach a Christian should have in the world. He brings up and discusses Social Justice, neighborhoods, the principle of subsidiary, family life, and the common good with emphasis on the way the laity could be engaged and live out their lay vocation, their spiritual life, through them.

The book concludes with a description of characteristics one might find in those who do, indeed, live as full-time Christians.