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## MEMORANDUM

To Pastors and all priests exercising ministry in the Archdiocese of Ottawa:

Following the issuance of the memo on the bread that can be validly used for the Eucharist a few months ago, including the use of low gluten hosts, questions have arisen about the validity of the **wine** for the Eucharist.

You are reminded that, for **validity**, the wine for the Eucharist must be natural from the fruit of the vine, free from any foreign substance or chemical, and not spoiled (canon 924, §3; GIRM, p. 69, nos. 322, 323). The wine bottle should be marked “sacramental wine” and/or “with ecclesiastical approval” or words to this effect. Wines that are ecclesiastically approved can be purchased in Ottawa through such vendors as *Liturgica Inc.* and **Desmarais and Robitaille**.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

The Chancery