

# The Vatican Rag

Words & Music:  
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G7 C6  
First you get down on your knees, fiddle with your rosaries,  
G7 C C#dim Dm G9  
Bow your head with great respect, and genuflect, genuflect, genuflect!  
G7 C6 Bb7-5 A7  
Do whatever steps you want if you have cleared them with the Pontiff.  
F F#dim C A7+ A7  
Everybody say his own Kyrie eleison,  
D7 G7 C  
Doin' the Vatican Rag.

## BRIDGE:

G7 C C#dim7  
Get in line in that processional, step into that small confessional.  
G7 C C7  
There the guy who's got religion'll tell you if your sin's original.  
F Fm  
If it is, try playin' it safer, drink the wine and chew the wafer,  
F#dim G7  
Two, four, six, eight, time to transubstantiate!

So get down upon your knees, fiddle with your rosaries,  
Bow your head with great respect, and genuflect, genuflect, genuflect!

Make a cross on your abdomen, when in Rome do like a Roman;  
Ave Maria, gee, it's good to see ya!  
Gettin' ecstatic an' sorta dramatic an' doin' the Vatican Rag!