

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING



All youth in grades 5-12 who have received First Eucharist are invited to be part of this important ministry!

New Server Training
Wednesday afternoons
3:30 pm in the church
January 30 February 6, 13, 20, 27

Special commissioning for all servers who complete the training:
Sunday, March 3 at the 9:30 Mass

Please see full details on reverse side.

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NEW ALTAR SERVER MEMO

DATE: JANUARY 7, 2019

TO: ALL BOYS AND GIRLS IN GRADES 5 AND ABOVE (VIA PARENTS)

FROM: CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, Fr. Mark G. Mazza

RE: NEW ALTAR SERVING TRAINING

Now is the time to sign up your child to train to become an altar server!

Simply fill out the enclosed form and return it by Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at the parish office or school office.

The required practices will be on five Wednesdays after school from 3:30-4:45 pm in the church. The practice dates are: January 30th, February 6th, February 13th, February 20th, and February 27th. The required Installation is on Sunday, March 3rd at the 9:30 am Mass (mandatory practice on Thursday, February 28th from 3:30-4:45 pm.) All children are to be brought to the front vestibule of the Church precisely at 3:30 pm each time. After the sessions you will need to pick up your son or daughter promptly at 4:45pm in the front of the church. I will wait until each child has been picked up - for safety reasons. Mr. Patrick Lobo will assist at all practices.

In my 38 years as a priest I have trained many altar servers. The main goal is to assist in bringing your child closer to the loving Christ at the altar. Supporting the work of our devoted parents, it is always a joy to see a child grow in faith and devotion. However, children also learn how to get up in front of people and many other interpersonal effectiveness skills. Believe me, I have seen this. I am proud to see the children I once trained now functioning as men and women of faith and family in the Church and in society. Please consider this unique opportunity to help advance the common goals we share for the good of your child and your family life in Christ.

If there are any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me, Fr. Mark Mazza, at the rectory. You may reach me at 650-593-6157, extension 26.