

# SILCC Lector Ministry Training

## Terminology Lectors Need to Know

<b>Acolyte</b>	An instituted minister of the Church who assists a priest in a liturgical service
<b>Altar</b>	The table where Celebration of Eucharist takes place
<b>Altar server</b>	A male or female who serves the Presider at Mass
<b>Ambo</b>	Where scripture proclamation, homily and Prayer of the Faithful are given
<b>Assembly</b>	The Body of Christ, celebrating Eucharist together
<b>Book of the Gospels</b>	Book containing the Gospels - proclaimed by Presider or Deacon
<b>Cantor</b>	Choir member who is designated to lead the assembly in the sung Responsorial Psalm and in the hymns at Mass
<b>Deacon</b>	Fundamentally the first “rank” in the clergy of the Catholic Church, ordained to be a permanent deacon or a transitional deacon (step toward full reception of Holy Orders)
<b>Instituted Lector</b>	A minister instituted by the Church who proclaims the Scripture readings at Mass
<b>Lector</b>	A male or female layperson who proclaims the Scripture readings at Mass and other special liturgies, in the absence of an Instituted Lector
<b>Lectionary</b>	Book of Sacred Scripture readings, used by clergy and lectors
<b>Lector #1</b>	Person designated to proclaim the First Reading at Sunday Mass/Holy day
<b>Lector #2</b>	Person designated to proclaim the Second Reading at Sunday Mass/Holy Day
<b>Lectors’ Pew(s)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Lector Pew</u> - The first pew to the right of the ambo (without kneeler)</li> <li>• <u>Lector Family Pew</u> - Pew reserved for Lectors and their families, where Lector may sit after the Gospel is read (and before the homily). East side of church; second section from choir, 2<sup>nd</sup> pew. See diagram in SILCC Lector Guidelines &amp; Procedures Manual .</li> </ul>
<b>Lector Guidelines &amp; Policies Manual</b>	Document produced by SILCC for the SILCC Lector Ministry which is updated as needed
<b>Lector Workbook</b>	<i>Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word</i> , U.S. Edition, Liturgy Training Publications, given to Lectors each year (Cycles A, B, C)
<b>Mic stem</b>	Adjustable part of the microphone at the ambo
<b>Ministry Room</b>	Room to the right of the Narthex; after you turn right to go down the hall, it is the first door on the left; where liturgical ministers gather, check-in and pray together prior to Mass
<b>Narthex</b>	Entrance of church – gathering space
<b>Presider</b>	Priest who celebrates the Eucharist (formerly called “Celebrant”) [“ <i>Presider</i> ” is preferred as a means of indicating that the assembly should take an active role in the liturgy, proper to their status as laity.]
<b>Sacramentary</b>	It is the book for the priest celebrant, containing all and only the words spoken (or sung) by him, usually assuming the presence of a choir and deacon.
<b>Sanctuary</b>	The elevated area where the Celebration of the Eucharist takes place
<b>Worship Coordinator</b>	Minister designated to coordinate at the Liturgy, who gives any special instructions, sees that all ministers needed for the liturgy are there, etc.