Weekend Mass Cross Bearer Family Role

1. Arrive at church no later than 15 minutes prior to mass and sign in at the ministers’ room
2. Check in with the mass coordinator (If you don’t know who it is, ask an usher)
3. Tell cantor how to pronounce your name if needed
4. Put your personal things in the assigned pew (behind lectors)
5. Line up at rear of church for entrance procession
6. Process down aisle. Cross bearer stops at star in floor but does not bow/genuflect. Family will stop at star in floor and reverence altar/tabernacle
7. The cross bearer will continue to his/her right and place cross in holder by the steps where servers kneel
8. Cross bearer family will then take their place for mass
9. At the end of mass, follow the lead of servers and cross bearer will retrieve cross
10. Other family members will line up in center aisle
11. Reverence altar/tabernacle with priest and proceed down center aisle
12. Place cross on hook at the back of church

The mass coordinator and ushers can give you more detailed instructions

Weekend Mass Gift Bearing Family Role

1. Arrive no later than 15 minutes prior to mass and sign in at the ministers’ room
2. Check in with an usher
3. Tell cantor how to pronounce your last name if needed
4. Sit in pew close to the gift table and let usher know where you are sitting
5. At the offertory, one person will lead carrying a collection basket, followed by one person carrying the wine carafe and another carrying the ciborium walking side by side. Others walk behind two by two
6. When the presider has accepted the gifts, reverence the altar together and walk slowly back down the center aisle.

The ushers can give you more detailed instruction if needed