



What Ministries does God call me to?

There are so many ways to get involved. You can be behind the scenes, or right up front. You can sing, play your instrument or work with the sound and camera/computer system. You can help plan our Mass/Liturgy Events or work on the environment in the church. God calls us all in different ways. The descriptions below should help you find your way.

Eucharist Minister

Have you ever served a meal to someone? Do you love the Eucharist? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: Be at Mass 20 minutes early to check in and to find out where you will stand to give communion. Attend one 2-hour training session.

Training: Training sessions will encompass an understanding of the ministry of Eucharist Minister including procedural and spiritual aspects.

Lector

Do you like Scripture? Do you like to read out loud? Do you feel comfortable speaking in front of people? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: To proclaim the Readings at Mass and to spend some time at home preparing to proclaim with passion.

Training: Training sessions will encompass an understanding of the ministry of lector and to practice for good proclamation.

Server

Do you like to be helpful? Would you like to take a special part at Mass by assisting the priest and deacon during the Mass? If you are in fifth grade and up, this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: Serve at Mass, come 20 minutes early to get ready and to help set up for Mass; stay 15 minutes after Mass to help put out candles and bring vessels into the sacristy.

Training: Training sessions will encompass an understanding of the ministry of server including procedural/spiritual aspects.

Hospitality Minister/Greeter

Do you like people? Do you enjoy being helpful? Have you ever welcomed people when they came to visit you? Then this might be the ministry for you. Hospitality Ministers greet people before Mass to make them feel welcome, take up the collection, are attentive to the needs of people at Mass & pass out bulletins after Mass. Greeters are people who welcome all who enter church for Mass.

Commitment: Arrive at Mass 20 minutes early to get organized and to greet people, also after Mass for a few minutes to pass out bulletins and straighten up for the next Mass.

Sacristan

Do you prefer to offer your service behind the scenes? Do you like to provide support for others to help them do their job more easily? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: 1 hour before Mass to set up items needed for Mass, check in other liturgical ministers and 10-15 minutes after Mass to ready the sacristy for the next Sacristan. Over-all commitment depends on when you are available and how often you would like to share your time. Training on a one on one basis.

Choir

Do you feel that music plays a large part of the prayerful environment of our liturgies? Do you like to sing but just cannot bear to be up in front of people all by yourself? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: Wednesday night rehearsals 6:30pm - 8:30pm & Sunday Morning Masses 10:15am every week from Labor Day - Memorial Day. Come when you can. Our Choir works with 4-part music & is open to newcomers. A simple understanding of music is helpful but not required. All are welcome.

Cantor

Do you love to sing? Does the idea of proclaiming a song solo excite you? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: Varies depending on personal schedule. One must have a strong voice, solid skills and be comfortable singing solo and proclaiming the Psalm from the Ambo.

Training: Training sessions will encompass an understanding of the ministry of Cantor as well as technique of good proclamation and equipment use.

Sm. Group Choir/Schola

Do you love to sing and want to use your talents at Mass but find the size of a large choir overwhelming? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: Varies and is flexible depending on the group and the liturgical needs. Groups to serve for one to two Masses a month. A simple understanding of music is helpful but not required.

Instrumentalist/Hand Bell Choir

Do you play an instrument like guitar, piano or drums etc.? Have you ever heard the Hand Bell Choir and thought it was so beautiful that you wanted to join the fun? Do you like to play in ensembles? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: There are opportunities to join the Hand Bell Choir which rehearses every Thursday starting in September and going to the end of May, playing in the choir, joining a Schola or aiding in the accompanying of a cantor. Time requirements will vary with the need of each group and personal schedule.

Sound/Camera/Computer System

Are you interested in technology? Do you like making things happen behind the scenes? Do you have sound or video camera skills that you don't get to use often enough? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: 1-2 Masses a month with flexible time to accommodate personal schedules. Must have a working understand of sound mixing and/or some experience with home video recording, be comfortable using a computer and have the ability to learn new programming. Some training will be offered.

Worship Committee

Do you like to plan events? Do you like to coordinate things and watch them grow into a grand happening? Do you sit at Mass and think, "I would have done it this way?" Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: Meeting once a month on the second Thursday at 6:30pm. Some pre-meeting preparation. This is a great opportunity to affect our Liturgies and liturgical events which are the source of inspiration for our parish.

Art and Environment

Have you ever decorated your home for a holiday or party? Have you ever set the table for a special meal? Have you been told that you have good taste? Then this may be the ministry for you.

Commitment: Varies according to your interest. The Art & Environment ministry meets before each major season to plan the decorations in church and gathers to put up the decorations, usually the Friday or Saturday before the new season begins. We especially need many hands for Christmas and Easter.