

Training: Trainings will be at least once a Quarter. We are also implementing flexible training schedules and on the job training to accommodate the busy schedules of our parish families.

For more information, fill out the electronic form on the sjvhh.org "Altar Server" web page under liturgical ministries.

One of the coordinators Robin Acosta or Kevin Sanchez will get back to you promptly.

ST. JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY



2019 Information Pamphlet

Who may serve? A server must have received their First Holy Communion up to high school graduation.

Servers should be active and full participants in the celebration with the understanding that they are first and foremost members of the assembly. The server expresses this by singing, praying and keeping silence along with the rest of the assembly.

Servers are expected to be appropriately prepared, committed to giving their time and talent to their parish community, and willing to serve God's people. They should be able to understand the Eucharistic celebration and the other sacred rites.

Required Basic Knowledge of the Mass

A server candidate will be required to say the principal prayers of the Mass: The Gloria, Our Father, Nicene Creed, Lamb of God, Lord, I am not worthy and Holy, Holy, Holy.

Responsibilities: Altar Servers are expected to serve when assigned. If for any reason he/she cannot serve his/her

assigned day, he/she is responsible for getting a substitute. A roster will be provided to all servers with altar server's telephone numbers. These phone numbers are confidential and should not be shared with friends, brothers or sisters. They are for Altar Server business only.

All candidates must demonstrate their ability to make use of the "tools of the trade" such as matches, candle lighters, books and candles, processional cross, preparation of credence table, chalice, mass colors, etc. On the job training is very important. New servers will be teamed with the guidance of experienced servers for several masses. All server candidates must be able to demonstrate their ability to genuflect, bow and make the sign of the cross

Arrival Time: Servers are expected to be prompt and be prepared. Arrive 15-20 minutes before Mass (for Saturday & Sunday 5:15 Liturgy, arrive 30 minutes before) to set up for Mass Servers.

After Mass servers are expected to remain and assist in putting away

equipment in the church, put out candles, hang up albs and cinctures.

Servers will be expected to dress within the dress code. (Dress code will be provided).

Mass Served

Altar Servers serve the following masses: Saturday @ 5:15pm
Sunday: 6:30am, 8:00am, 10:00am, 12 noon, 1:45pm, and 5:15pm. They are also expected to serve holiday masses, Holy Days of Obligation, First Communions, and Confirmations.