

October 2011

Dear Fellow Ministers,

Back to school time is here and along with that comes our Fall 2011 Minister Schedule. Thanks to all who serve our parish family so faithfully at our liturgies. We recently trained 20 new EOMs and five new Lectors. Welcome to ministry! **Holiday sign-up sheets will be posted in the Church Altar Sacristy on Thanksgiving Weekend.** Sign up to serve whenever you can! New Years weekend has been assigned.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** As you may have noticed, we are no longer referred to as Eucharistic Ministers, but Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, as all non-clergy members are called. Wear your new title with pride! If you have not been commissioned please see a Priest or Deacon prior to Mass. When the Cup Ministers proceed to the altar before the Lamb of God, please make sure the altar servers' kneeler pad is available for the servers' use. Please line up just past the pad. A reminder: it is not permissible to remove your cup or bowl from the altar, wait for Father to give it to you. If you are a cup minister please consume what is left in your glass discreetly at your station, do not leave it for the deacon to consume. Be aware that some people will come to you for a blessing, with arms folded across their chest. A touch or the sign of the cross on the forehead is fine. We also have a few parishioners who only receive the cup. Serve all who approach you. **NOTE:** The narthex positions for distribution of the Eucharist at the 10AM Mass have been eliminated by Deacon Terry and the Worship Commission.

**LECTORS:** Please sign up to provide food to our PADS guests on Monday, October 17, 2011. Sign-up sheets will be in the altar sacristy the weekend of October 2-3. Thanks for helping from Angie Orlando!

**LAST BUT NOT LEAST...**

Please refer to your schedule for your weekly Mass assignments. Remember, you can always go to our website and download your schedule. Don't count on the Bulletin, as there are mistakes now and then. Save the roster with the phone numbers so you can find a substitute in case you cannot be present. It is not permissible to write "sub needed" in the sign-in book, especially when you are the Mass Captain. Take the time to find your own sub. If you have email address or phone number changes please notify me so we can communicate more efficiently!

The Spring Schedule will cover February 2012 through May, 2012, including both Palm Sunday and Easter holidays. Deadline for all requests will be **MONDAY, January 9, 2012 at 9am**. Let me know if you want to change Mass times, take days off or resign from a ministry. All requests will be honored that are received by the deadline.

Thank you for your devotion to our parish and our ministries!

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