



ALTAR SERVERS



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ALTAR SERVERS' ROLE:

The ministry of boys and girls in the 5th grade and older is centered at the Eucharistic celebration of mass. Altar servers exercise a vital role in assisting the priest at every mass that is offered. The server develops a deeper understanding of the sacrifices of the mass and importance of piety to the Blessed Sacrament.

Training takes place at the beginning of September, as the school year begins. A second training session is available, if needed in March. Students are put on a six month schedule in which he/she will serve at a determined weekend mass time for an entire month. Servers gain the responsibility of honoring the schedule and adhering to the requirements of the ministry. It is important to be on time, dress properly, have knowledge of your duties , and find a substitute if you are unable to serve.

It is an honor and privilege to enter the sanctuary and serve with dignity and reverence to our Lord in this way. Many boys and girls continue to serve into adulthood and some use this as a step before becoming a lector or extraordinary minister of communion. The ability and desire to serve Jesus in this way comes from within each person, prayers on the next page speak to the heart of this ministry.



Prayer Before Serving

Father in heaven,
Your Son, Jesus Christ,
Showed his love for you
by serving his needy brothers and sisters.
I now ask you to give me your help
as I serve you and your people.

Open my mouth to praise you
in word and song.
Open my ears to hear your Word.
Open my hands to do your work well.
Take from my heart all evil and
distracting thoughts.
Help me know what I should and do it
well.
Help me to serve reverently
at your holy altar,
and so give you praise and glory
now and forever. Amen.

Prayer After Serving

Lord Jesus Christ,
you are the eternal High Priest.
You lead all your saints in heaven
and your people on earth
in praising God, our Father.

Thank you, Lord Jesus,
for letting me come before your altar,
so that, with your help,
I can praise my Father in heaven as his
server.
Help me find joy in serving at your
altar.
Help me find gladness in knowing and doing
your will in all things.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus,
and to the Father and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now and will be forever. Amen.

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will hear from a group
member shortly.
Thanks for your inter-
est in Altar Serving.