

Lector

Ministry Position Description

Purpose: To proclaim the readings clearly and understandably during Mass.

Responsibilities:

1. Prepare the reading(s) assigned on the schedule, which is issued every 2 months.
2. Become familiar with any parishioner name(s) proclaimed during the Prayers of the Faithful.
3. Arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass is scheduled to begin.
4. Lector 1 welcomes worshipers at the beginning of Mass and introduces the presiding Priest, the Cantor, Servers, Musician(s) and Lectors. Lector 1 also proclaims the First Reading.
5. Lector 2 processes from the back of church to the Sanctuary at the beginning of Mass, carrying the Book of the Gospel. Lector 2 also proclaims the Second Reading and offers the Prayers of the Faithful in the absence of a Deacon.
6. Lectors wear attire appropriate as representatives of the entire congregation to visitors and parishioners alike.

Gifts Needed for this Ministry:

1. The ability to read smoothly and clearly.
2. The ability to project your voice so the entire congregation can hear.
3. Punctuality.
4. Dependability.

Amount of Time Required:

About 20 minutes preparation time and attendance at Mass once or twice a month,

When Ministry is Performed:

During weekend and Holy Day Masses.

Length of Commitment:

We request a minimum 1 year commitment.

Training Provided:

A training and practice session will be scheduled, usually after a weekend Mass.

Printed instructions are provided.

A schedule is provided every 2 months, which includes contact information of lectors and phone numbers.

Responsible to:

Janette Rupinski, Lector Coordinator