



**St. John Paul II Parish
has volunteer
opportunities for our
parish community.**

Lector Ministry

This ministry is vital to the worshipping community in that the Lector shares God's Word with everyone. The Lector combines faith with skill when reading the Scriptures and are responsible for affecting the presence of God among the Christians gathered in worship through the Spiritual Word.

Hospitality Ministry

This ministry's goal is to make the two parishes a welcoming place to worship and gather as a community. Ministers take up the collections, hand out parish bulletins at the weekend masses, maintain order and provide assistance where and when needed. If you enjoy greeting and meeting people this ministry is for you!

Eucharistic Ministry

This ministry is rich in symbolism and grace for the minister who approaches it with the desire to become closer to the Lord. The role of the lay distributor came about through the decrease in the number of clergy. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion give the Body and Blood of Christ as a sign of unity and love that we are to make happen by letting Jesus work through us in a life of service to each other. It is a basic sign that we are called, not simply to receive the life of Christ, but to give it to others.

Sacristy Volunteers

This group of people helps clean the church, replace candles, take care of altar linens/vestments, water plants in church and help prepare any altar needs for our various liturgies, funeral services or special events.

Altar Servers

Girls, boys, men and women of all ages who have made their First Communion are invited to assist the priest during the liturgy. The server is a role model to the worshipping community by reverently responding to prayers and singing. The person can affect the prayer of the community. People willing to serve only at funeral liturgies are also needed. Training is provided for servers.

Music Ministry

The **Parish Choir** is comprised of men and women of high school age or older. Rehearsals are weekly and the choir serves at one Mass per weekend rotating appearances among our two churches.

Cantors include both women and men from 7th grade up. Rehearsals are individually scheduled.

The **Resurrection Choir** is comprised of parish members who lead the sung prayer at funeral liturgies. Most funerals are held during the daytime hours. This ministry helps support parishioner singers who have experienced the loss of a loved one.

Faith Formation

The Faith Formation Program is an important part of the broader faith development, prayer life and culture of faith formation. This program helps individuals to understand themselves and their Catholic faith tradition; foster an appreciation of the understanding of and relationship with Jesus; develop an appreciation of the love of God, the wonder of God's creation and the dignity of the human person. Faith Formation is one of the important life lines of the parish. Through our baptismal promises it is our responsibility to evangelize and too be of service to others. Volunteers are needed at all levels of Faith Formation (ie: catechists, classroom aides, etc.)

Food Pantry & SVDP Meal Site

The SJPII Food Pantry is open once a month on the 4th Saturday of the month. It takes many hands to make our pantry run smoothly and efficiently. We need people at the door to greet patrons, to supervise the bread table or other tables offering goods and transporters to move filled bags from the basement to those volunteers on the parking lot who place it in our patrons cars. We offer coffee and sweet treats before our doors open to all volunteers and begin with a prayer. If you can offer two hours once a month to help us, please reach out and let us know. We will be happy to welcome you into our community! * *All volunteers must be Safeguarding approved per the Archdiocese of Milwaukee guidelines.*

SVDP

The St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) meal program is always looking for volunteers daily to help serve hot, delicious meals to those brothers and sisters who are in need in the Milwaukee area. Located on 9th and Madison (just north of Greenfield Ave.) they need people who are willing to help set up tables and chairs, serve food and beverages and tidy up after dinner. The work is light, the environment is friendly and the patrons are grateful for your time and service. SJPII provides the food but needs a group of 12-15 volunteers every second Friday of the month from 4-6pm to make it happen smoothly.

**To volunteer for any of these ministries,
please call the parish office at 744-3695.**