

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

BRADENTON, FL



Mass Journal 2025—2026

NAME

Mass Journals are to be completed and handed to your teacher at least one Mass Journal each month.

Listening to God's Voice in the Liturgy

Attend Mass every Sunday and complete entries at least one(1) time each month.

SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

COME HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Holy Spirit, help me to say my prayers well, with true devotion.

THE OUR FATHER

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

THE HAIL MARY

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, Now, and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

THE GLORY BE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER

Angel of God, my Guardian dear, To whom God's love commits me here; Ever this day be at my side, To light and guard, to rule and guide.



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Tips for In-Person Participation At Mass

Courtesy "is the homage of the heart to the sacredness of human worth" (Archbishop Fulton Sheen).

Manners, especially at Mass, reveal the value we place on each other and God. Here are a few tips to help your family and those around you to get the most out of Mass.

1. Show your excitement for having the privilege of participating in Mass and encourage your kids to look forward to what great gift God wants to give them at Mass for the new week.

2. Help yourself and your family prepare for Mass by reading the Sunday Gospel before you come to Mass and talking of ways how the Lord is speaking to you in this particular Gospel.

3. Mass Schedule: 4 pm Saturday and 7:30am, 9am, 11am and 5:30pm on Sunday.

4. Dress appropriately and comfortably. In our society, we still consider coat and tie for men and dresses for women appropriate attire for special occasions and meeting dignitaries; we should then dress in the same way to meet our Lord, present in the holy Eucharist, thus putting the focus on Him rather than ourselves.

5. Before leaving home, make sure your children have a small drink of water, go to the bathroom, discard gum, and leave toys behind so as to come ready to give God their full attention rather than being distracted or distracting during Mass.

6. Leave home with time to arrive a bit early at church, about five or ten minutes before Mass begins. Doing so allows everyone to settle in, have a few moments for prayer, and to be ready to participate in the Mass.

7. When entering the church, help your children make the sign of the cross with the holy water; this gesture reminds us of our Baptism. Then, sit close to the front where you can see the priest and the altar clearly so your family can easily hear and follow what is going on. Before entering the pew, be sure to genuflect, an important act of reverence to the presence of our Lord in the holy Eucharist in the tabernacle.

8. In worshiping, participate in the songs and prayers, follow the readings, listen attentively to the homily, and help your children to do the same.

9. After Communion, give thanks for the precious gift received and allow the grace to fill your soul.

10. Finally, after the Mass is concluded with the blessing, wait until the priest has proceeded down the aisle before cleaning up and leaving the pew to go out to love and serve one another.

