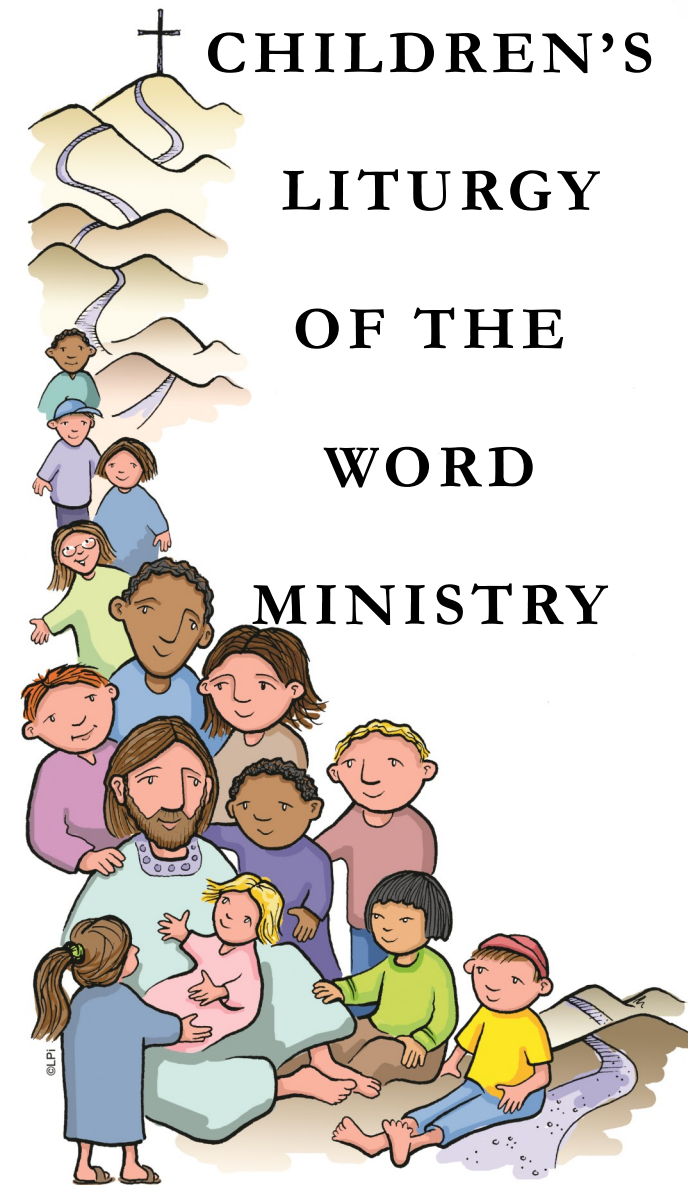


## Mission

Blessed Sacrament Church  
*Children's Liturgy*  
*of the Word Ministry*  
provides age-appropriate  
proclamation of the Sunday  
readings, with child-friendly  
reflection, prayer, and song,  
for children ages 4-8, in order  
to help them participate more  
fully and actively in the  
worship of the Church.

Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry  
is part of our continuing effort to support  
parents in their role as the  
primary educators of their children.  
For information on how you can help  
this ministry, contact the  
Office of Religious Formation:  
859-331-4302, ex 22.



*"Let the little children come to me."*  
*Matthew 19:14*



**BLESSED SACRAMENT  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

## *Children's Liturgy*

Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered during 9:00 mass on Sunday mornings. Children ages 4-8 are invited to leave the general assembly during the Liturgy of the Word and to gather in the Undercroft for an age-appropriate proclamation of the readings, interactive reflection, and prayer.

The children return to the church in time for the Offertory and Liturgy of the Eucharist.

This ministry is always in need of adult and youth volunteers who love the Word of God and want to share it with children in a way that they can understand. Both proclaimers and aides are needed. Drawing children closer to our Lord is a blessed and rewarding ministry. Books, instruction, and support are provided by the Office of Religious Formation.

(All who work with children must be VIRTUS trained and background approved).

### TO MAKE THE MOST OF CHILDREN'S LITURGY

- Make sure your child uses the restroom before mass. **Children who need to use the restroom during Children's Liturgy will be escorted back to their parents. We regret that we don't have enough volunteers to tend to all the children's restroom needs.**
- Impress upon your child the importance of remembering that the Children's Liturgy of the Word is still part of the mass and his or her behavior should be appropriate for liturgy.
- Discuss the readings with your child before or after mass.

### TO IMPROVE YOUR CHILD'S EXPERIENCE OF THE REST OF THE MASS

- Sit up front. Children who can see the altar and choir are more apt to become engaged in the mass.
- Actively participate. Children whose parents pray and sing with enthusiasm want to participate too.
- Note points of interest. Take a few moments before or after mass to draw your child's attention to the stories in the stained glass windows or stations of the cross. Point out the colors of the clergy's vestments and other seasonal cues.
- Provide preschoolers with a "Special Sunday Sack" filled with bible story board books and soft bible character dolls. For primary-age children, subscribe to *Magnifikid!* so they can follow along in their own booklet.