

O God, you have taught me from my youth, and till the present I proclaim your wondrous deeds. Psalm 71:17

# MADALENE FAITH FORMATION NEWS



## CATECHISTS NEEDED

Do you feel called to hand on the Faith to students in our parish? Being a catechist is a sacred ministry and is essential for the future of our church. We are called to walk beside parents and assist them in their role as primary educators. We need volunteers in all age groups. **Classes start September 11 and meet after the 10:00 Mass.**

## 2022 FAITH FORMATION CONFERENCE

All parishioners are invited to the 2022 Diocese of Tulsa Faith Formation Conference, August 27, 8:30-5:00 at the Tulsa Renaissance Hotel. The very engaging speakers, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers and Rev. Simeon Spitz, OSB, will be speaking on the Sacraments as mysterious encounters with Christ. Madalene will register as a group. Let's take a big one!! Please let me know if you are interested or have questions.

# Why be an Altar Server?

## Part 2

We need altar servers!!! I'm sure you have noticed the repeated pleas for more altar servers. Over the next few weeks, we will provide information on what it means to be an altar server in hopes that people will more clearly understand the importance of that role, and the fact that it is a great privilege. This second excerpt is from a **Church Pop** article written by Fr. Dwight Longnecker.



<https://www.churchpop.com/2019/01/28/represent-the-angels-saints-the-heavenly-role-of-an-altar-server-according-to-this-parish-priest/>

Click on the above link to read the entire article. I promise it's worth your time.

Here are a few highlights:

You are not needed to bring the bread and water and wine to the altar. You are not needed to carry candles, the Cross, or books. You are not needed to ring bells or wash hands. You are not there to be useful. You are there for something far greater, nobler, more beautiful, and true. Our worship on earth reflects the worship in heaven. This altar you see is a reflection of the altar in heaven . The priest is an icon of Christ the Lord. You represent and reflect on earth the saints and angels in heaven!!

Please read the entire article to learn details you may have never known about altar serving.

# Madalene Library and Social Media Highlights

**Our Madalene Library is full of great resources for the family. Here are three examples available to be checked out:**

## **The Fathers Know Best- Jimmy Akin**

Your essential guide to the teachings of the early Church. With more than 900 quotations from the writings of the early Church Fathers on nearly 50 topics including hot button issues still with us today.

## **This Is the Church- Katie Warner**

The most beautiful way to introduce your little one to the incredible story of salvation history! The beautiful illustrations will help your child fall in love with the Catholic Church.

## **The Didache**

After the New Testament, the Didache stands as one of the more influential collections of early Christian writings that allows us a glimpse into the beginnings of Christianity.

The Greek word didache means “teaching” or “the teaching”. It is believed by scholars to have been written during the 1st century, and some claim it contains teachings that were handed down by the apostles.

**Check out these great Catholic  
podcasts and Instagram accounts:**

### **Podcasts-**

The Abiding Together Podcast

Jen Fulwiler

Fr Mike Schmitz

Ask Father Josh

### **Instagram-**

Ascension Press

Real + True

The Catholic Woman

We Are Modern Saints

# Interested in serving women in need?

There are many great opportunities to get our families more involved in  
the Pro Life movement.

"Our efforts to help mothers with all they need to care for their babies  
will continue and must even increase."

Bishop David Konderla

**Go Life Mobile Medical**

[golife.org](http://golife.org)

**Mend Medical Services**

[mendmedical.org](http://mendmedical.org)

**Hope Pregnancy Center**

[thinkimpregnant.org](http://thinkimpregnant.org)

**Birthright**

[birthright.org/tulsa](http://birthright.org/tulsa)

Several volunteer and employment opportunities available in areas  
from direct client contact to fundraising.

Contact each site for specific needs.

## **For More Visit:**

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Instagram- madaleneyouth

Twitter- YouthMadalene