



DO'S AND DON'TS FOR MASS SERVERS

DO

- Dress-Up (black pants & shoes are best)
 - Boys: dress shoes, slacks, collared shirt
 - Girls: slacks, blouse, flats
- *Your vestment should reach top of your shoes*
- Arrive 15 minutes before Mass
- Maintain respectful silence, talk (quietly) only if needed
- Genuflect any time you pass in front of the tabernacle
- Help the sacristan setup/clean up
- Fold your hands properly (while standing-see image)
- While sitting, rest your hands on your lap & feet on floor
- Keep good posture
- PRAY!
- Preparing the Altar (Offertory):
 - Move as a pair with your other server
 - Always bow to the priest/deacon before leaving the altar
 - Hold the water & wine cruets for the priest/deacon
- Holy Communion
 - Hold the paten level under each host
 - Afterward, pour water over priests fingers



DON'T

- Slouch
- Wear shorts, t-shirts (especially ones with logos or print on them), flip flops, sneakers, or shoes with high heels
- Arrive 2 minutes before mass and expect to serve (most likely someone else will already be filling in)
- Chat or goof around with your friends before Mass
- Prop your head up with your hands (while kneeling or sitting)
- Look around (keep attention on Mass)
- Prop your feet up on the kneeler
- Fiddle with the cincture (rope tied around waist)
- Tip the paten when taking it back to the altar for purification
- Leave the water & wine on the altar unless the priest/deacon says so