

Dear Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and altar servers,

I want to express to all of you my gratitude for your ministry of service to St. Patrick's. You help make our liturgies something that sustain the spiritual needs of our parishioners. When you participate in your ministry, Christ is working through you to bring His sacred Word and Body to the people. It is both an honor and privilege to serve at Mass in any of these ministries. With this in mind, we are called to show our respect for both Christ and the community who we serve through how we dress at Mass. Therefore, the following dress code will be used for all Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and altar servers.

1. Please do not wear flipflops or Crocs. Only shoes are acceptable.
2. Refrain from wearing shorts. Slacks are most appropriate but jeans are acceptable.
3. Wear a shirt with a collar. T shirts with logos or writing on them distract from the Mass and should be not be worn.

This policy applies to all ministers who serve at Mass, including those who fill-in for someone else last minute. If you want to come to Mass dressed more casually, please do not fill-in to serve at the altar. Thank you for your consideration in this matter. If we all work together on this we will make our liturgies more reverential, and show our Lord the respect he deserves.

*Fr. Michael Powell*