

ALTAR SERVER APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in becoming an Altar Server at St. Ignatius Parish! Serving on the altar for Mass and other Liturgies is a wonderful experience, something you'll remember for the rest of your life and it's a great way to learn more about your faith! Training is "free," easy and fun (no one ever 'fails') and there's no homework or tests. To apply is easy! All you need to do is to read this application and talk about it with your parents. If you are willing to assume the responsibilities of being an altar server (read them carefully), simply fill in your name and other information and have your parents sign the form. *Then return the completed form to your parish school or to Fr. Dalin at the rectory.*

Thanks again for your interest and I hope you join us as an Altar Server!

Father Dalin

REQUIREMENTS FOR BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER

Your family must be registered as parishioners of St. Ignatius Parish (if you are not, it's easy to do; just ask your parents to speak with one of the priests), and you must now be a student in 5th, 6th or 7th grade.

You must be available to serve Sunday Masses (Saturday vigil, Sunday morning and Sunday evening), approximately 1-2 Masses per month. During the school year, if you are a student at St. Ignatius School, you must be willing to serve the 9:00am daily Mass. You will be excused from class for this and will serve approximately 2-3 weekday morning Masses every 2 months. ALL servers are expected to help with the weekday Masses during summer vacation (unless your family is away on vacation); you can expect to be scheduled for 2-3 weekday Masses.

Email and Computer Access: The schedule will be emailed to you and accessible on our Altar Server Scheduling System. You must add the following email addresses to your account so that you receive the emails: contact@siparish.org and frj dalin@siparish.org. Once you sign up to be an altar server, Fr. Dalin will send you an online account where you can see your schedule, specify when you will be on vacation and unable to serve, and request or accept substitutions for particular masses.

Vacation and Substitutes: If you know you will be unavailable to serve on specific days due to family vacations or other obligations (sports, etc.), let Fr. Dalin know in advance of each schedule posting; you will not be scheduled on those days. If for some reason you are unable to serve a Mass for which you've already been scheduled, you must try to find a replacement. The Online Scheduling system allows for requesting subs. If you are unable to find a replacement, let Fr. Dalin know.

Service Hours: You may count your Altar Server Hours for Confirmation and other service hour requirements.

Attend training sessions with Fr. Dalin. ALL TRAINING TAKES PLACE IN THE CHURCH. You will learn all the items used in Mass. You will receive a tour of the Church and Sacristy. You will be given step by step instructions on how to serve Mass.

If you feel that you are willing and able to meet these requirements, complete the form below and return it as directed above.

(Return this Section)

My name is _____ (please print).

I attend _____ school and I am in grade _____. I have read the requirements for becoming an Altar Server.

(signature)

Please have your parents fill-out the following:

Name (please print) _____ Phone # _____

Mailing Address (Altar Server Schedules will be mailed to this address): E-Mail _____

I support my child in his/her desire to become an Altar Server and will assist them in this endeavor.

(parent signature)