THE ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

ALTAR GUILD

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> "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve..."

A Club for Altar Servers



WHAT IS THE "ALTAR GUILD"?

More than anything, the Altar Guild seeks to encourage the young to fully engage our Catholic faith through their service to the Church as ministers of the altar. Serving at the altar gives the young a hands on, personal experience of God's work in the liturgy. It can also be an opportunity for them to work alongside other children and adults and be edified by their witness of faith. The servers will be challenged to develop and grow in virtue as they strive toward holiness. Through their service, youth altar servers provide the parish with an example of service, they witness to the seriousness and solemnity of the liturgy, and they inspire those who come to Mass with hope for the future of our Church. This program seeks to provide the basic structure for a process of instruction that will allow youth servers to continually progress in their knowledge and love of the both the liturgy and the traditions of the Church. This program also seeks to deepen a server's spiritual life, to foster a greater sense of community between youth servers as well as incorporating them into the life of the parish.

WHEN & WHERE DOES THE "ALTAR GUILD" MEET?

Since we are just getting started, we will meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays (Sept – Nov) due to play practice. Following the end of the play (mid–Nov), we will move to Tuesdays through the end of April from 3:30pm – 4:30pm in the Parish Meeting Room (located in the lobby of the Parish Center/Gym). We will alternate weeks with Kenosis! As this apostolate grows, we hope to eventually offer more outings and other social opportunities as well.

| DATE | FOCUS | DATE | FOCUS |
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| Mon. 9/16 | Kick-Off | Tues. 1/7 | The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (Overview) |
| Weds. 9/25 | Training for NEW servers (Part I) | Tues. 1/21 | Order of the Mass (Liturgy of the Word) |
| Weds. 10/2 | Training for NEW servers (Part II) | Tues 2/4 | Order of the Mass (Liturgy of the Word) |
| Mon. 10/7 | Serving Refresher / Practice | Tues. 2/18 | Order of the Mass (Liturgy of the Eucharist) |
| Mon. 10/21 | Serving Refresher / Practice | Tues. 3/4 | Order of the Mass (Liturgy of the Eucharist) |
| Mon. 11/5 | Serving Refresher / Practice | Tues. 3/18 | Order of the Mass (Concluding Rites) |
| Tues. 11/19 | Nomenclature | Tues. 4/1 | NO MEETING |
| Tues. 12/3 | Nomenclature | Tues. 4/15 | End of the Year Party! |
| Tues. 12/17 | Nomenclature | - | , |
| Tues, 12/31 | | | |