



ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Open Letter to all Parents of Altar Servers

Dear Parents,

We are very pleased, and appreciative that your son or daughter has volunteered to be an altar server at St. Pius. This position is of vital importance to both the clergy, and the parishioners they will serve.

We ask that you go over any material they may receive with them, and to help them to understand their function within the Mass, and the tasks they are being asked to perform.

We also ask that all servers report to the Sacristy fifteen minutes (**15min.**) before the Mass to which they are assigned, so that the celebrants will know that they have the needed number of servers, and that the pre-Mass tasks can be accomplished without haste. After Mass they should hang up their vestments & check that they have "signed in".

We request that you go over the assignment schedules, and add them to your family's calendar. If there is a conflict, please help us by contacting each other by phone. **Remember, the Altar Server is responsible for his/her Mass time and if unable to serve must provide a replacement!!!**

If you have an emergency, please contact the Team Leader for help.

We understand that fashion today is sometimes used to make a "statement"; however, for service at Mass, we do ask that everyone dress appropriately. The question can be asked: "How would you dress if it were the Pope who is to be the celebrant?"

We also request, for safety's sake, that no "flip-flops", backless sandals, or high heels be worn.

We look forward to working with you this season, and to the service your child is offering to the church.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact Altar Server Administration, the Team Leaders, or myself.

Thanks for your help,

Deacon Walker King