

ALTAR SERVER APPLICATION 2009

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/PREP teacher or to Fr. Kennedy at the rectory **NO LATER THAN APRIL 29TH**.*

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

Fr. Kennedy

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 (9:00am) per summer.
- If you know you will be unavailable to serve on specific days due to family vacations or other obligations (sports, etc.), let Fr. Kennedy 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 (you will be provided with a listing of the phone numbers of all the servers). If you are unable to find a replacement, let Fr. Kennedy know.
- Attend 2 "training sessions": Either Saturday May 16 at 10:30 AM until noon and June 6 from 2:00 until 3:30 PM or Tuesday May 26 and June 9th from 6:30 to 8:00PM. If you are unable to attend these training sessions but would like to become an Altar Server, talk with Fr. Kennedy. It might be possible to arrange another training class. ALL TRAINING TAKES PLACE IN THE CHURCH.

If you feel that you are willing and able to meet these requirements, just have your parents help you 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)

The Saturday sessions _____ would be better for me

The Tuesday sessions _____ would be better for me. (Please check one)

If you will be unavailable for serving this summer, please check here _____

Please have your parents fill-out the following:

Name (please print) _____

Phone # _____

Mailing Address (Altar Server Schedules will be mailed to this address):

_____ (street)

_____ (town) _____ (zip)

E-Mail _____

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

_____ (parent signature)