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GENERAL INFORMATION

Thank you for offering to help our parish community as an altar server. You are there to assist Father as he celebrates Mass or presides at other liturgical celebrations. Pay close attention to Father at all times, so you are ready to help if and when you are needed and always know what's going on.

REQUIREMENTS

An altar server should be at least in the 4th grade and have received the sacraments of First Communion and Reconciliation. Beginning servers, 4th grade, will serve only at school Masses. (Children in Religious Education and Home Schooling will be matched with elder servers on Sunday's to gain experience.) Some Home School students may serve daily Mass if their parents wish. High School students are encouraged to continue to minister as altar servers.

A server should learn the main prayers of the Mass: The Gloria, Our Father, I am not worthy and the Holy, Holy, Holy. A server should know the names of the places in the church (e.g. sanctuary, altar, sacristy), the items used in the Mass and what they are used for (e.g. chalice, paten, corporal, alb, etc.). *

Servers must be able to use properly the "tools of the trade" especially matches, lighter and candles. When lighting matches, always strike down and away from you.

DRESS

Be sure your face and hands are clean and hair is brushed. Look your best at this time of very important service to God and His people. Dress clothes are preferred to play clothes.

Albs are made from lightweight material and what you wear underneath might show through. For that reason, avoid bold stripes and designs of any kind that might show through. Solid colors are fine, but light colors are best for shirts and tops.

Be sure your shoes are clean and not squeaky and are what is appropriate for serving Mass. No flip-flops or dirty, ragged athletic shoes – dress shoes are preferred.

POSTURE

Posture is how you carry your body and is a very important part of liturgical ministry.

Bowing – Always bow when crossing in front of the Altar. Stop in the center and slowly bend from your waist keeping your back straight. You should be bending forward enough to see you're your shoes. Come to a complete stop before bowing. Don't walk and bow at the same time.

Eyes – During Mass always look towards the place where the action is happening: the Celebrant's chair, the Ambo, or the Altar. When the Scripture is being read you should be looking at the reader. Look at the priests and other ministers as they speak and act in the Sanctuary.

*See Word List and puzzles at the end of this manual.

General Appearance – Know what you are to do while serving Mass and when you are to do it. Look as though you CAN do it. Don't look like serving Mass is the worst punishment or the most unpleasant thing you can think of.

Genuflecting – Keep your hands in front of your chest while you go down on your right knee. Keep your body upright. Be sure you don't trip on your alb. Again, stop and genuflect. Don't genuflect on the run.

Hands – Unless you are sitting down or carrying something, your hands should be kept joined in front of your chest palms together, fingers pointing up. Hold your hands the way the priest does. Keep your hands high up on your chest. If you have to yawn, please do so discreetly covering your mouth with your hand.

Kneeling – Your body should be upright and your hands should be folded, palms together, in front of your chest.

Sitting - Always sit with your feet flat on the floor and your hands folded in your lap or placed on your knees. You should be still and sit up straight

Standing – Always stand up straight with both feet firmly on the floor. Don't lean against furniture or walls. Your hands should be kept joined in front of your chest palms together.

Walking – Walk with your back straight and your head held high.

FINALLY - Don't fidget or slouch. This could distract Father or the people at Mass. You are doing your best job if no one notices you are there. When on the altar, always move slowly and smoothly.

When to Sit, Stand, and Kneel

Introductory Rites:

Sign of the Cross	STAND
Greeting	STAND
Introduction	STAND
Penitential Rite or Sprinkling	STAND
“Glory to God in the Highest”	STAND
Opening Prayer	STAND

Liturgy of the Word:

First Reading	SIT
Responsorial Psalm	SIT
Second Reading	SIT
Gospel Acclamation	STAND
Gospel Reading	STAND
Homily	SIT
Profession of Faith	STAND
Prayer of the Faithful	STAND

Liturgy of the Eucharist:

Preparation of the Gifts	STAND
Prayer over the Gifts	STAND
Preface	STAND
Eucharistic Prayer	KNEEL
Lord's Prayer	STAND
Sign of Peace	STAND
“Lamb of God”	STAND
Communion	KNEEL
Prayer after Communion	STAND

Concluding Rites:

Final Blessing	STAND
Dismissal	STAND

*Don't be afraid to smile. An ancient prayer in the Bible says,
“I will go to the Altar of God, to God who gives joy to my youth.” Psalm 42:4*

ORDER OF THE MASS

INTRODUCTORY RITES

The Entrance Procession is in this order: Cross Bearer, Candle Bearers, Gospel Book, Priest. Try to keep a distance of about two pews between you and the person in front of you as you *slowly* walk to the sanctuary. As you approach the sanctuary, the altar server with the cross stops, bows his/her head and proceeds to the cross stand. The Cross Bearer returns the cross to its stand in the sacristy and remains standing in front of his/her chair on the sacristy side of the sanctuary. The candle bearers spilt, the lector will bow and proceed to the altar. When the priest bows, the Candle Bearers *do not bow*. After Father steps up, the Candle Bearers follow, place the candles in their holder and proceed to their chairs by Father.

Generally, when the congregation is standing, you stand; when they are sitting, you sit; when they are kneeling, you kneel.

After the Gloria, (or after the Kyrie during Lent or Advent), when the priest says, "Let us pray," the book server brings Father the Sacramentary. The book must be held very steady as Father opens the book to the opening prayer. Be sure to keep the pages flat, your fingers out of the text and do not move about while the priest is reading. After the prayer, return the Sacramentary to the side table and sit down for the readings.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Readings

First Reading (Hebrew Scripture/Old Testament) - Remain Seated

Responsorial Psalm(s) - remain seated

Second Reading (Christian Scripture/New Testament) - remain seated

Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia) - STAND

Homily - SIT

Recitation of the Creed - STAND

Prayers of the Faithful (Intentions) - STAND

The Liturgy of the Word ends with the Prayer of the Faithful.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of Altar & Gifts (offertory hymn begins & collection baskets passed)

When Father moves toward the altar, all servers move to the credence table. Bring Father the

1 Corporal, 2 Father's Chalice, 3 additional Chalices and Purificators

After setting the Altar, you will either return to your chair and sit down briefly or proceed with Father down the steps to receive the gifts. When the priest stands and moves towards the front, all servers follow him and stand slightly behind him and to the side. He will give you the bread and wine, which you will place on the Altar and the collection which you will place by a front corner of the Altar.

After placing the bread and wine on the Altar, do not return to your seat. Instead, server 1 waits at the altar for the empty wine flagon and returns it to the credence table. Servers 2 & 3 go to the credence table. Server 2 takes up the cruet of water and returns to the altar standing a few feet from Father. When Father turns and reaches for the cruet, hand it to him handle first. He will pour a few drops of the water into the wine and then return the cruet to you. Step back and wait for server 3.

Server 3 brings the lavabo dish and towel; hands the lavabo dish to server 2 and keeps the towel.

When Father turns toward you, move forward and pour some water over his hands. Hold the bowl under his hands and pour the water over them. Father will take the towel from server 3, dry his hands and return the towel to you. (If you are serving alone you will need to drape the towel on your arm first then pick up the cruet with one hand and the lavabo bowl with the other.) Return all the items to the table. Stand by your kneeling pads.

Eucharistic Prayer

During the Eucharistic Prayers there are two times the Cross Bearer should ring the bells.

1. When Father elevates the Consecrated Host. Start ringing the bells as Father lifts the Host. Stop ringing the bells when he has lowered the Host.

2. When Father elevates the chalice containing the Consecrated Wine. Again, start ringing the bells as Father lifts the Chalice, and stop ringing the bells when he has lowered the Chalice. The elevation of the Body and Blood of Jesus are solemn times. (The bread and wine we offered just before has now become the real BODY and BLOOD of our God, Jesus Christ). We should ring the bells reverently. At these times it is proper to look at the elevated Jesus and say to yourself, "My Lord and my God." Following the example of Thomas the Apostle.

COMMUNION RITE

After the Lamb of God, you should kneel like the rest of the assembly. When Father begins to give Communion the Eucharistic Ministers, stand in your place with hands folded until you receive Communion. After receiving Communion, kneel until Father returns from the Tabernacle. Server 2 brings Father the cruet of water so he can purify his Chalice. Server 1 may go to his/her chair. Servers 2 & 3 help Father clear the altar and then return to their chairs.

CONCLUDING RITE

When the priest says, "Let us pray," Server 2 holds the Sacramentary for Father like at the beginning of Mass. When finished, return the book to the side table. Remain standing.

The order for the recessional is the same as before: Cross Bearer, Candle Bearers, and priest. The recessional begins after the priest blesses the people and dismisses them with the words, "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord" or "The Mass is ended, go in peace." The Cross Bearer then gets the cross from its stand, and the Candle Bearers take up the candles. The Candle Bearers must be careful to hold them steady and upright so as not to drip the melted wax. Follow Father to the bottom steps of the sanctuary. Stand facing the altar. When Father bows, the Cross Bearer should also bow his/her head. Then turn and process out.

After Mass

After the recessional, proceed back to the Sanctuary via the side aisle. Candle Bearers should **gently** blow out the candles and walk carefully so as not to spill the wax. The Cross Bearer returns the cross to its stand and likewise the Candle Bearers. Carefully extinguish the candles by the ambo. Do not press down on the followers with the extinguisher. Return to the sacristy and hang your alb and cincture neatly in the closet.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Servers are to participate fully at all liturgies. Along with the assembly, they are to respond to the prayers and dialogues of the celebrant. Likewise, they are to join in the singing of hymns and other chants of the liturgy. Remember that your service is a calling from God. It is God who placed in your heart the desire to be an Altar server. Always pray before Mass. When you genuflect before the tabernacle on your way into the sacristy is a good time to pray. Ask God for the grace to serve Him with reverence and dignity. After Mass, stop again to pray to our Lord. Thank him for allowing you to serve, asking his blessing on yourself and your family.

When the priest prays over the bread and wine at the Consecration, the bread and wine change into the Body and Blood of Jesus. There is no physical change that we can see. The appearance of the bread and wine remain the same after they have been changed into Jesus. The change is spiritual. The “stuff” that makes up the bread and wine has been replaced by the Body and Blood of Jesus, without changing their appearance in any way. The Holy Eucharist is a constant reminder that God is not bound by the laws of the physical universe He created.

Do not be worried about making mistakes. Everybody will make mistakes when learning. It is OK. It is how we learn. It will take a while to become familiar with the guidelines and become comfortable serving. Be patient with yourself. Review and ask questions after Mass if you were unsure of something. Remember, Mass is always perfect, because it is God’s work, not ours. Jesus made the perfect sacrifice once and for all, and he gives us the opportunity to share in that perfect sacrifice at every Mass.

It is a tremendous privilege and honor to serve at Mass and many graces are received. Being so close to the altar should help you to focus at Mass. Do not miss the opportunity to pray at Mass, to thank Jesus for what you’ve been given and to ask him for help for all your needs.

PROCEDURES BEFORE MASS

Before you come to Church

- † Get a good night's rest
- † If you have a cold, be sure to have a Kleenex in your pocket.
- † If you can not serve because of illness or travel, please call a sub.

When you arrive at Church

- † Arrive at the Church at least 15 minutes prior to the beginning of Mass.
- † Sign in on the Liturgical Ministers page in the Narthex.
- † Be quiet in the Sacristy and avoid making unnecessary noise.
- † Locate and put on a properly fitted server alb and cincture. The alb should come to your shoe tops.
- † Use the bathroom facilities before Mass begins.
- † You may be asked to place needed items in their proper places in the Sanctuary. You should know what they are called, where they are kept and where they are used in the Sanctuary.
- † Candle bearers check the Credence Table to be sure the corporal, bowl and finger towel, cruet for water, Father's chalice and extra chalices, purificators and ciboria are there.
- † Light the Altar Candles. Bow when you pass in front of the altar.
- † After lighting the altar candles, candle and cross bearers should meet Father in the Narthex. . When leaving sacristy, pause, turn to face the tabernacle, and gently bow your head before proceeding to the back of the church.
- † Be especially ready to help the priest if he is a visiting priest. You should be able to answer questions about how we do things or things are kept.

PROCEDURES FOR ALTAR SERVERS DURING MASS

For the purpose of this guide the three Servers will be referred to as Servers 1, 2 & 3. Server 1, the cross bearer, carries the processional cross and rings the bells. *Server 2 carries a candle* and holds the Sacramentary for the priest at the opening and closing prayers. *Server 3 carries a candle* and assists Server 2 with preparing the Altar, receiving the Gifts, preparing the Gifts, and clearing the Altar.

1. **Processional:** All servers process in. *The Cross Bearer leads, stops at the foot of the Altar, bows head, and goes immediately to the cross stand. The Candle Bearers stand at the foot of the Altar and go with Father to the Altar.*
2. **Opening Prayer:** When Father says “Let us pray,” Server 2 picks up the Sacramentary and holds it open for Father.
3. **The Gospel:** Altar Servers 2 & 3 stand by a chair near the Cross Bearer
4. **The Homily:** All three sit in side chairs
5. **Preparation of Altar:** Server 2 brings the Sacramentary to the Altar, Server 1 brings the Corporal, Server 3 brings Father’s chalice, all help bring the additional Chalices and Purificators
6. **Receiving the Gifts:** All three Servers proceed to the bottom of the Altar steps with Father. Father will receive the gifts from the Gift Bearers and hand items to the Servers to bring up to the Altar. Put the collection basket on the floor at the front corner of the Altar. Servers 2 & 3 return to the Credence Table. Server 1 waits for the empty wine flagon..
7. **Preparation of the Gifts:** Server 2 brings the Water Cruet to the side of the Altar (*handle facing Father*) for Father to add water to the wine then returns to the credence table. Server 1 returns the wine cruet to the Credence Table and goes to the kneeling pad.
8. **Washing Father’s Hands:** Servers 2 & 3 meet Father at the side of the Altar. *Server 2 holds the lavabo dish and pours water over Father’s Hands into the Lavabo Bowl. Server 3 hands Father the Towel to dry his hands.* The Lavabo Bowl and Towel are returned to the Credence Table. Servers 2 & 3 join Server 1 by the kneeling pads.
9. **Ringling Bells:** *Server 1 rings the bells when Father elevates the Body of Christ and again when Father elevates the Blood of Christ. Begin as Father elevates the Host and Chalice and keep ringling until Father begins to lower them.*
10. **Sign of Peace:** Server 2 returns the Sacramentary to the stand next to the Presider’s Chair. Servers 1 & 3 bring the ciboria from the credence table to the altar.

- 11. Communion:** *After the Lamb of God, the Altar Servers should kneel just as the Assembly does. Stand when Father begins distributing to the Eucharistic Ministers. After receiving Communion, the Altar Servers remaining kneeling until Father returns from the Tabernacle.*
- 12. Clearing Altar:** Server 2 brings Father the Water Cruet (*handle facing Father*) when he returns from the Tabernacle. Hold the cruet for Father. Do not set it on the altar and leave. Server 1 returns Father's ciborium to the Credence Table. 3 returns Father's Chalice and Server 2 returns the Corporal. .If the Sacramentary is still on the Altar, it can be removed from the Altar and may be held by Server 2 at his/her chair until the Closing Prayer.
- 13. Closing Prayer:** When Father says "Let us pray," Server 2 picks up the Sacramentary and holds it open for Father.
- 14. Recessional:** *The Cross Bearer and Candles Bearers wait at the foot of the Altar with Father. Only Father bows deeply, Cross Bearer bows head, and Candle Bearers do not bow.*

PROCEDURES AFTER MASS

- † Gently blow out the candles
- † Return the Processional Cross and candles to their places. Be careful not to tip the candles and spill the wax.
- † Walk reverently at all times.
- † Stop as you pass the Tabernacle and bow your heads.
- † Extinguish the candles by the ambo. Do not press down on the followers with the extinguisher.
- † Hang your alb and cincture neatly in the closet

GLOSSARY

Alb - A long white linen robe worn by the priest and altar servers. There are different styles of albs, but they all cover the body from neck to feet. The alb symbolizes the garment that Jesus wore, and is a symbol of purity of the body and soul of those worthy of assisting at Mass.

Altar - The Altar looks like a big tall table. The Altar represents two parts of the same mystery, the table on which a sacrifice is offered and the table which Jesus celebrated the Last Supper.

Altar Candles - There is one candle located on each end of the Altar. These candles symbolize the triumph of light over darkness (good over evil).

Ambo (Lectern) - A stand that holds the Lectionary, the book that contains the first and second readings. The Lector, or reader, stands at the Lectern. The priest also uses the Lectern to read the Gospel.

Baptismal Font - A very large looking bowl on a stand, the cover has a cross on top. Used during baptism.

Benediction - devotion honoring the Blessed Sacrament

Blessed Sacrament - the consecrated host that is the Body of Christ

Book of Gospels - The book containing the Gospels carried in the entrance procession

Bow - act of reverence made by lowering the head or bending at the waist

Bowl and Cruet - A small bowl is used to wash the fingers of the priest during Mass. The cruet is a small container that looks like a tiny pitcher.

Carafe - The container used to hold the wine which will become the Blood of Christ during the consecration.

Chalice - The Chalice reminds us of the cup Jesus used at the Last Supper. Wine will be poured into the Chalice by the priest and will be consecrated into the precious blood of Jesus.

Chasuble - A very large piece of cloth worn over the alb and stole by the priest. It symbolizes the seamless garment worn by Jesus and it also reminds us of God's encircling love for us. The color of the chasuble and stole are the same.

Ciboria - the plural of ciborium

Ciborium - The gold circular container used for distributing Communion. A Ciborium is kept in the tabernacle with the consecrated hosts to be taken to the sick.

Cincture - A cord made of silk or cotton with tassels on the ends. It is used around the waist to secure the alb so that it will not interfere with walking.

Consecration - the act by which the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ

Cope - the outer garment worn by the priest at Benediction

Corporal - A special cloth put on the Altar to hold the gifts. The word corporal comes from the Latin word "corpus", meaning body. It is called a corporal because the body of Jesus rests on it.

Credence Table - A small table with used to hold the linens, chalices, bowl, and cruet

Cruet - small container holding the water or small amounts of wine used at Mass

Doxology - any prayer honoring the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The prayer when Father elevates the Body and Blood of Christ together

Elevation - the time at Mass when the priest raised the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ

Eucharistic Prayer - the prayer between the Holy, Holy and the Our Father during which the consecration takes place

Exposition - devotion where the Body of Christ is placed in the Monstrance for people to adore

Funeral Pall - large white cloth placed over the casket at the entrance to the church

Genuflect - an act of reverence made by touching the right knee to the ground

Gospel Book - book containing the Gospels that is carried in the Entrance Procession

Host - circular piece of bread that becomes the Body of Christ

Humeral Veil - a special garment worn by the priest when giving the blessing during Benediction

Incense - a substance that produces fragrant smoke when burned

Lavabo - washing of the hands during Mass

Lectionary - the book containing all of the readings used at Mass

Luna - circular container that holds the Host in the Monstrance

Monstrance - a gold or silver container, often shaped like the sun, in which the Host is placed for exposition

Narthex - the gathering space in the back of the church

Nave - the main part of the church where the assembly sits

Pall - A small cardboard or plastic square, covered with cloth that is placed on the chalice to protect the wine - blood of Jesus from dust or bugs from falling in.

Paschal Candle - A very large candle that represents the light of Christ. Blessed during the Easter Vigil and used during special celebration.

Paten - The Paten is the plate used to hold the hosts which will become the consecrated body of Jesus.

Purificator - The Purificator is a long narrow piece of linen cloth that the priest and Eucharistic Ministers use to wipe the chalice after someone has received the Blood of Christ

Pyx - small container used to carry Communion to the sick

Sacramentary - Contains all the prayers and rubrics (directions) the priest uses for saying the Mass.

Sacristy - the room in which all the items needed for Mass are kept

Sanctuary - the part of the church containing the altar, ambo, and tabernacle

Sanctuary Lamp - A single candle in its own stand, or it may be mounted on a wall. It is always located next to the tabernacle. When the candle is burning it signifies that Jesus is present in the tabernacle in the form of consecrated hosts.

Tabernacle - The Tabernacle is like a safe, made of metal where the consecrated hosts that were not distributed during communion are kept

Thurible - container in which incense is burned during liturgical celebrations

Thurifer - the person who handles the thurible during a celebration

Word Search for Altar Servers

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 W P L A R E M U H N V Q R X R P E L V Y
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HUMERAL VEIL	ALB	ALTAR	AMBO	BELLS
BLESSED SACRAMENT	BENEDICTION	BOW	CARAFE	CHALICE
CREDENCE TABLE	CHASUBLE	CIBORIA	CIBORIUM	CINCTURE
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER	COPE	CORPORAL	CRUET	GENUFLECT
SANCTUARY LIGHT	CONSECRATION	DOXOLOGY	ELEVATION	INCENSE
PASCHAL CANDLE	EXPOSITION	HOST	LECTIONARY	LUNA
GOSPEL BOOK	LAVABO	LECTERN	NARTHEX	NAVE
FUNERAL PALL	PURIFICATOR	PALL	PYX	THURIBLE
PROCESSION	SACRAMENTARY	SACRISTY	SANCTUARY	TABERNACLE
MONSTRANCE	THURIFER			

MATCH WORDS AND DEFINITIONS

<p>_____ ALB</p> <p>_____ BENEDICTION</p> <p>_____ CHALICE</p> <p>_____ CINCTURE</p> <p>_____ CREDENCE TABLE</p> <p>_____ EUCHARISTIC PRAYER</p> <p>_____ GOSPEL BOOK</p> <p>_____ LAVABO</p> <p>_____ MONSTRANCE</p> <p>_____ PASCHAL CANDLE</p> <p>_____ SACRAMENTARY</p> <p>_____ SANCTUARY LIGHT</p> <p>_____ ALTAR</p> <p>_____ BLESSED SACRAMENT</p> <p>_____ CHASUBLE</p> <p>_____ CONSECRATION</p> <p>_____ CRUET</p> <p>_____ FUNERAL PALL</p> <p>_____ HOST</p> <p>_____ LECTERN</p> <p>_____ NARTHEX</p> <p>_____ PROCESSION</p> <p>_____ SACRISTY</p> <p>_____ TABERNACLE</p>	<p>_____ AMBO</p> <p>_____ CARAFE/FLAGON</p> <p>_____ CIBORIA</p> <p>_____ COPE</p> <p>_____ DOXOLOGY</p> <p>_____ GENUFLECT</p> <p>_____ HUMERAL VEIL</p> <p>_____ LECTIONARY</p> <p>_____ NAVE</p> <p>_____ PURIFICATOR</p> <p>_____ SANCTUARY</p> <p>_____ THURIBLE</p> <p>_____ BELLS</p> <p>_____ EXPOSITION</p> <p>_____ CIBORIUM</p> <p>_____ CORPORAL</p> <p>_____ ELEVATION</p> <p>_____ BOW</p> <p>_____ INCENSE</p> <p>_____ LUNA</p> <p>_____ PALL</p> <p>_____ PYX</p> <p>_____ THURIFER</p>
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DEFINITIONS

- 1 The main part of the church where the assembly sits
- 2 Candle blessed at the Easter Vigil to represent Christ the Light of the world
- 3 Table upon which items are kept until needed during the Mass
- 4 Any prayer honoring the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
- 5 Circular container that hold the Host in the Monstrance
- 6 Container for the wine used at Mass
- 7 The orderly movement of people during a celebration
- 8 The cloth placed on the altar to hold the bread and wine during the Eucharistic Prayer
- 9 An act of reverence made by touching the right knee to the ground
- 10 The act by which the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ
- 11 Table on which the sacrifice of the Mass is offered
- 12 The book containing all of the readings used at Mass
- 13 Washing of the hands during Mass
- 14 The consecrated host that is the Body of Christ
- 15 The prayer between the Holy, Holy and the Our Father during which the consecration takes place
- 16 The light that burns by the tabernacle to indicate that the Blessed Sacrament is reserved there
- 17 Large white cloth placed over the casket at the entrance to the church
- 18 The time at Mass when the priest raised the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ
- 19 The cord that ties at the waist of the alb
- 20 Material that produces fragrant smoke when burned
- 22 Small container holding the water or small amounts of wine used at Mass
- 21 Devotion honoring the Blessed Sacrament
- 23 The gathering space in the back of the church
- 24 A gold or silver container in which the Host is placed for exposition
- 25 The priest's outer garment matching the color of the liturgical season
- 26 Place from which the readings are proclaimed
- 27 The person who handles the thurible during a celebration
- 28 Book containing the Gospels that is carried in the Entrance Procession
- 29 Cloth used to wipe the chalice after someone has received the Precious Blood
- 30 A special garment worn by the priest when giving the blessing during Benediction
- 31 The gold or silver container in which the Blessed Sacrament is reserved
- 32 The vessel used at Mass to hold the hosts
- 33 Container in which incense is burned during liturgical celebrations
- 34 The book of prayers used by the priest at Mass
- 35 Stiff, square cloth that sits on top of the chalice
- 36 The vessel used at Mass to hold the Precious Blood
- 37 Circular piece of bread that becomes the Body of Christ
- 38 The part of the church containing the altar, ambo, and tabernacle
- 39 Small container used to carry Communion to the sick
- 40 The room in which all the items needed for Mass are kept
- 41 Act of reverence made by lowering the head or bending at the waist
- 42 The outer garment worn by the priest at Benediction
- 43 Devotion where the Body of Christ is placed in the Monstrance for people to adore
- 44 The plural of ciborium
- 45 Long white garment worn under the priest's chasuble or by altar servers
- 46 Another name for the place from which the readings are proclaimed

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- 33 Container in which incense is burned during liturgical celebrations
- 34 The book of prayers used by the priest at Mass
- 35 Stiff, square cloth that sits on top of the chalice
- 37 Circular piece of bread that becomes the Body of Christ
- 38 The part of the church containing the altar, ambo, and tabernacle
- 40 The room in which all the items needed for Mass are kept
- 41 Act of reverence made by lowering the head or bending at the waist
- 43 Devotion where the Body of Christ is placed in the Monstrance for people to adore
- 44 The plural of ciborium
- 46 Another name for the place from which the readings are proclaimed

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- 1 The main part of the church where the assembly sits
- 3 Table upon which items are kept until needed during the Mass
- 5 Circular container that hold the Host in the Monstrance
- 8 The cloth placed on the altar to hold the bread and wine during the Eucharistic Prayer
- 10 The act by which the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ
- 12 The book containing all of the readings used at Mass
- 15 The prayer between the Holy, Holy and the Our Father during which the consecration takes place
- 16 The light that burns by the tabernacle to indicate that the Blessed Sacrament is reserved there
- 17 Large white cloth placed over the casket at the entrance to the church
- 18 The time at Mass when the priest raised the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ
- 19 The cord that ties at the waist of the alb
- 22 Small container holding the water or small amounts of wine used at Mass
- 24 A gold or silver container in which the Host is placed for exposition
- 27 The person who handles the thurible during a celebration
- 28 Book containing the Gospels that is carried in the Entrance Procession
- 29 Cloth used to wipe the chalice after someone has received the Precious Blood
- 30 A special garment worn by the priest when giving the blessing during Benediction
- 32 The vessel used at Mass to hold the hosts
- 36 The vessel used at Mass to hold the Precious Blood
- 39 Small container used to carry Communion to the sick
- 42 The outer garment worn by the priest at Benediction
- 45 Long white garment worn under the priest's chasuble or by altar servers

