

Lector's Guidelines

Introduction

Thank You for your participation in this vital ministry. Your service is welcome and with the information in our guidelines you should not have any problems with lecturing.

Dressing for the Part

Dress properly and appropriately. In this parish that means **MEN**: Shirt and Tie with dress pants and appropriate footwear. **WOMEN**: Dress or Skirt with a hemline that is around the knee (no more than an 1 above) Alternately dress slacks and appropriate footwear.

Time

Be on Time! That means no later than 15 minutes before Mass time. If you depend on someone else to drive you, make sure they know this requirement. If you are scheduled to lector and cannot make it call your co-reader to let them know. IF this happens before the day your assigned call or email someone on the contact list to get a replacement. You may email the coordinator if you are not able to get a replacement. Everyone should check at the lector desk behind the altar to make sure that both lectors are present. Should one not be there be ready to take their place.

Preparation

Be Ready. That means practice before you come. You are Proclaiming God's Word not reading it. Make sure the Lectionary is set up for the correct reading. If you're not

sure ask for assistance from Father or Deacon.

Responsibilities

Lector A (I) Carries the Book of the Gospels (when Deacon is not present) to the Altar placing it in the Center once there. Go to the seat on the Altar reserved for lectors until it is time for 1st Reading. When you are finished make sure Lectionary is set for 2nd reader.

After the Responsorial Psalm Lector A will depart the sanctuary and meet Lector B at the foot of the altar center.

Lector B (II) Proceed to lectern and read the 2nd reading. Remove the Lectionary and place it on table by *-seats. Depart sanctuary to foot of altar at center. If Deacon is not present Lector B will return to altar to read the Prayers of the Faithful. Remember to go to center foot of altar.

Lector A will return to read the announcements at the end of mass. Both Lectors will process out at end of mass.

Schedule

The schedule will be completed by the coordinator. It is done is 2 month intervals and you will receive an e-mail requesting your availability for the next two months. Once it is done it will be sent to you by e-mail and a copy placed in Lector Notebook and 1 posted in the sacristy.

Those who do not have email capability will find a copy in the back of notebook when posted.



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