

St. Hubert Parish Liturgical Minister Newsletter

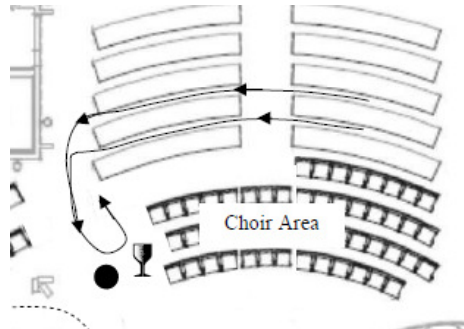
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND MASS COORDINATORS CHANGE IN STATION 5

When assigning a choir area and communion stations after the renovation, we realized that the footprint of the worship space presented a challenge. We could no longer have a North transept middle aisle, but had to decide a communion procession/stations for those who may sit behind the choir. The choir area should be an established place for the music ministry, just as there is a permanent place for the proclamation of the word or the Eucharist at the altar. So, whether or not there is a cantor and pianist or full choir, that area should not be occupied or traveled through. Our original proposal for Station 5 has not turned out to be the best choice. It makes for an awkward turn from the minister of the Body of Christ to the minister standing wedged at the beam. More importantly, the communicant is not approaching the altar at all; rather, he/she is looking at the beam.

So, the change for this station is illustrated below. Both ministers will be positioned at the end of the row in the space between the

first and second row of choir chairs. The minister of the cup will stand closest to the choir and the minister of Body of Christ will be on the left. This allows the person coming to communion to go to the Body of Christ and to their left toward the cup and back to their seat. We've tried it out at a few Masses over the last month with good success.

Please make this change the next time you serve as a Eucharistic Minister



LECTOR OPPORTUNITIES

ADVENT SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Now that we have been in the renovated church for one year, ministers are comfortable with the space and their directives. Now we can get back to our reflection evenings for lectors offered before the major liturgical seasons. Two sessions are currently scheduled. Jim Elder, Deacon Allen Tatara, and Steve Heller will facilitate an evening for adult lectors on **Tuesday, November 10th at 7:30 pm** in the Parish Ministry

Center and for teen lectors on **Sunday, November 15th following 6:00pm Mass** in the church building. Watch for news about dramatizing the scriptures. Steve Heller is looking forward to working with our teen and adult lectors to proclaiming the scriptures using drama.



CO-CHAIR WANTED FOR EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Stephanie is looking for someone to help her out as a Eucharistic Ministry co-chair. There is a need to offer enrichment activities for current ministers. It's important to keep and improve communication with the ministers. There is always a need to recruit and train new ministers. If you would like to be involved in this please contact Stephanie. (Contact information is on page 2.)

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FLU SEASON

It is that time of year to be very vigilant about hand-washing and using sanitizer. Please, BEFORE Mass begins, wash your hands and use the sanitizer located in both sacristies or in the washrooms. We ask our teen liturgical ministers to be especially consistent in doing this since young people are more susceptible to the H1N1 flu. Mass Coordinators should be sure to wash all vessels in hot, soapy water. If you, or anyone you live or work with is ill and you feel at risk, do not serve.



ENRICHING OUR FAITH

The award-winning film, "**Hotel Rwanda**," is based on the real-life hero **Paul Rusesabagina** who saved over 1,200 civilians during the Rwandan genocide. Paul will be at **St. Viator High School** to speak about his experience on **Monday, November 2, 7:00pm**. This is a great opportunity for households of all ages to hear Paul Rusesabagina's story and see what faith looks like when put to the test.

Fr. Richard Fragomeni, our Parish Mission speaker, will speak at **Church of the Holy Spirit** on **Thursday, November 12th, from 7:30 to 9:00pm** on the mystery of the Advent and Christmas seasons titled: "The word made flesh and dwelling among us—Anticipating the Incarnation."

USHERS NEWS

ROLE IN THE COMMUNION PROCESSION AND FOR THE DISABLED

Ushers are very hospitable and not intrusive while assisting with the communion procession. Some sections of the church require a little more directing than others. As we begin the change in our communion station for those seated in the North transept (see page 1) we ask ushers to help move the assembly in the right direction. Those seated in the old shrine area must cross to the middle aisle, joining the procession with those in the middle section. This keeps them from crowding the north aisle. If there is a shortage of ushers, and you are assigned the middle aisle, go to old shrine area section first, helping to direct them and then return to the middle aisle. The people in the middle aisle know where to go and can get started without an usher.

When leading Eucharistic ministers to the disabled, remember to wait until both ministers have offered the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ before moving on to the next person. We do not want anyone to feel they are "holding someone up" if they want to receive the Blood of Christ, but the partner has already left. If you walk off with the plate minister, the partner does not always see where you have gone.

DOORS AFTER MASS BEGINS

The hinges on the doors leading into the body of the church have been replaced so are no longer damaging to the wood frame. Once Mass begins close all but two doors (either on the sides or at the baptistery) until the readings begin, then all doors should be closed so any activity in the narthex does not distract from prayer.

MASS COORDINATORS NEEDED

Recently many of our Mass Coordinators have moved away or "retired", so this ministry is in need of new ministers. You may still serve at your preferred Mass and can minister as little as one weekend a month. The 9:00 a.m. Mass is especially in need of a Mass Coordinator. Please prayerfully consider if this is a ministry you are called to. You could join this ministry with a friend or your spouse. Only one Mass coordinator needs to be an EM. Contact Julie Hennig (contact information below) if you have questions.

BITS AND PIECES

UPCOMING FURNITURE

We are purchasing a holder to display all the newspapers, pamphlets, etc. that will be freestanding in the narthex. Our rolling carts can be used to transport and supplement stands for handouts as needed.

LOCATION OF SACRISTY ITEMS

The sacristy off the narthex (the vesting sacristy) and the one off the South transept (Eucharistic sacristy) are currently being organized so cabinet space can be optimized and in good order. Labels will help to locate liturgical objects and books.

NEW LITURGICAL MINISTERS WELCOME

How often we pray for more volunteers, "never enough" we say! Well, this past year, we have doubled our teen liturgical ministers and added a good number of lectors and Eucharistic Ministers serving at most of our liturgies. If you are partnering with a new minister, make every effort to welcome them and assist them in any way.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

There may be some ministers whose e-mail address is not listed on the ministry program. If you have received this newsletter via mail and have an e-mail address, please let Jackie Green know. Also, please remember to keep Jackie informed if you change your email address. She can be emailed at jaygee222@sbcglobal.net

SCHEDULE INFORMATION

Any changes to your availability for December-January-February must be submitted to Jackie Green by November 1. You may email her (jaygee222@sbcglobal.net) or fill out a new minister information form and leave it at the Ministry Station. Blank forms are available in the top right drawer.

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