

Thank you for your interest in helping the parish as an altar server! **BEFORE YOU SERVE THE FIRST TIME ON SUNDAY**, you need to **read the handbook and answer the questions below**. Please send the completed quiz to Mr. Schmidt.

Please circle the correct answer:

1. The three most important rules of serving are...
 - a. (1) Be reverent, (2) Don't draw attention to yourself, and (3) Pay attention and watch the priest.
 - b. (1) Be ready, (2) Be happy, and (3) Be prepared.
 - c. (1) Be quiet, (2) Be prayerful, and (3) Be calm.
 - d. (1) Get ready, (2) Get set, and (3) Go!
2. Before Mass begins, you need to...
 - a. Put on an alb.
 - b. Light the candles at the altar.
 - c. Make sure the credence table has the veiled chalice, water cruet, water basin, pitcher and towel.
 - d. All of the above.
3. Almost always, you will stand when the people stand, sit when the people sit and kneel when the people kneel. True or False
4. When the priest says, "Let us pray," the cross bearer ...
 - a. Brings the book to him and holds it open for him.
 - b. Does nothing; the candle bearer helps the priest now.
 - c. Takes the book over to the credence table.
 - d. None of the above.
5. As the music begins for the Alleluia, the candle bearers ...
 - a. Remain seated until the priest gives them the signal.
 - b. Get their candles, walk to the altar and stand at the corners of the rug.
 - c. Walk directly to the pulpit.
 - d. Stand by their seats.
6. When the candle bearers stand behind the altar, and when they stand on either side of the pulpit, they always face the people. True or False
7. After the petitions, when the people sit down for the collection, the cross bearer ...
 - a. Brings the cross to the main aisle for the final procession.
 - b. Sits down in his seat.
 - c. Places the book on the altar.
 - d. Brings the book to the priest for the prayer.
8. After the petitions, when the people sit down, the candle bearers walk over to the credence table and pick up...
 - a. The water cruet and the chalices.
 - b. The candles.
 - c. The flowers.
 - d. The book.
9. The three key words to remember (in the correct order) for the preparation of the altar are ...
 - a. Sit, stand, kneel
 - b. Set, bring, wash
 - c. Wash, bring set
 - d. Lift, ring, sit
10. When you bring the water and wine cruets to the priest for the preparation of the gifts, you always hold the cruets by the handle with the lids on. True or False.

11. Once you have finished with the water and wine cruets you need to go straight back to the credence table and get the basin, pitcher and towel to wash the priests hands. True or False
12. During the Eucharistic prayer, when the people kneel down, you are to...
 - a. Sit.
 - b. Stand.
 - c. Kneel.
 - d. Take a nap.
13. Ring the bells one time (a short ring) during the Epiclesis (when the priests holds his hands over the bread and wine and calls down the Holy Spirit upon them). True or False
14. During the Sign of Peace, one of the candle bearers takes _____ up to the altar.
 - a. The empty bowls
 - b. The candles.
 - c. The chalice.
 - d. The water cruet.
15. After you shake hands with the priest at the sign of peace you need to go down the steps to receive Holy Communion with the other people in the church. True or False
16. When the priest goes to distribute Holy Communion to the people, the cross bearer ...
 - a. Goes to sit with his parents.
 - b. Goes back in the sacristy.
 - c. Picks up the book and bookstand from the altar, puts it away on the shelf and returns to his seat.
 - d. Remains standing on the mosaic line.
17. After the priest has finished giving the people Holy Communion, he will return to the altar to clean up. The priest will put the Eucharist in the Tabernacle and return to the altar. As he comes back from the Tabernacle, the candle bearers...
 - a. Sit there and watch him.
 - b. Come up to the altar with one of them carrying the water cruet.
 - c. Walk back into the sacristy.
 - d. Walk up to the tabernacle.
18. As one candle bearer pours water into the chalice for the priest, the other one ...
 - a. Says a prayer.
 - b. Picks up the empty bowls stacked on the altar.
 - c. Goes to the sacristy.
 - d. Picks up the collection.
19. When the music begins for the closing hymn, you need to ...
 - a. Start singing the hymn.
 - b. Kneel down.
 - c. Get the candles and the cross and go stand in the main aisle.
 - d. Walk up to the altar.
20. After Mass is finished, you need to extinguish all the candles, put the chalices in the sacristy, and put the cruets back in the refrigerator. True or False

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE QUIZ!

How did you do?

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE:

1) A, 2) D, 3) T, 4) A, 5) B, 6) F, 7) C, 8) A, 9) B, 10) F, 11) T, 12) C, 13) T, 14) A, 15) F, 16) C, 17) B, 18) B, 19) C, 20) T