

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

May 30, 2018

Proper Attire: Your attire and demeanor should demonstrate your appreciation of how your role fits within the worship experience. Your ministry as an extraordinary minister is an encounter with the Lord, the bread of life come down from heaven. Such an encounter requires a reverent demeanor and appropriate clothing. The Diocesan regulations would state No shorts or jeans and no shirts/blouses with wording—people will focus on the words of your clothing rather than encounter with the Lord).

1. A total of seven ministers (Ordinary and Extraordinary) of Holy Communion will be scheduled for the Sunday/Holy Day Masses. If you are unable to serve when scheduled, you are requested to obtain a substitute.
2. If you pass the Altar on either front or back side of it, you are to bow to the Altar.
3. At the Tabernacle, you genuflect. When opening the tabernacle or closing it, you genuflect to it.
3. **During the Sign of Peace**, the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion come to the Altar. (If you want to sanitize your hands, **there will be a hand-sanitizer behind the columns on each side of the tabernacle.**)
4. Stand between the servers, but not directly in front of the tabernacle.
5. The priest communicates himself; then gives Holy Communion to the Deacon; then to servers and to the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.
6. The Deacon or Priest will give the Cup to the Eucharistic Ministers who give it to the servers. The Priest will give ciborium (bowl of consecrated bread) to Extraordinary ministers.
7. During the distribution of Holy Communion, please acknowledge the children (toddlers and infants) by simply marking them **NO WORDS** with the sign of the cross on the forehead (we claim them for Christ as at baptism); and youth and adults by simply touching their crossed arms and saying “Receive Christ in your heart.”
8. When finished with your section of administering the Blessed Sacrament, give Holy Communion to the Choir and/or go to the back of Church to distribute to those with disability. When finished come back to assist any section still in need of distributing Holy Communion.

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9. When all is finished, bring the ciborium to the Altar, and any chalice with Precious Blood and place on the Altar. Empty vessels bring to the Creedence Table. If you have the Chalice with leftover precious blood and will consume it, bring the empty chalice to the Creedence Table.

10. One of the Eucharistic Ministers with the Blessed Sacrament in form of Bread will take the ciborium and return it to the tabernacle. The other will take any extra vessels from Altar to the creedence table.

(If taking the ciborium with Blessed Sacrament to the tabernacle, set the ciborium on the stand, genuflect (if able, otherwise bow), open the tabernacle door, set the ciborium in it and then close the door. Genuflect to the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle, and return to your seat.

11. After Mass:

Take the Sacred vessels (**gold chalices, ciborium bowls, and wine cruet**) to the Sacristy and wash them in a little soap and warm water. Simply rinse the chalices/cups with the soap and warm water. Dry each vessel and set the chalices back on the creedence table. The wine cruet and large ciborium is brought back to the front sacristry.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO GOD
AND THE CHURCH, THE MYSTICAL BODY OF CHRIST.**