MINISTER DUTIES

Lector

Arrive 5-7 minutes prior to Mass

Note: When there is a Deacon, he will read the prayer of the faithful
You will not read when there is a youth mass

1. Upon arrival, go to the sacristy and review the notebook with the prayer of the faithful to verify that all names can be pronounced
2. Verify that the ribbon in the lectionary is open to the right date
3. Take the lectionary and the notebook to the pulpit and place on the first shelf next to Father's homily
4. Take a seat anywhere on the pulpit side of the church. Feel free to sit with your family if they are in attendance.
5. Just prior to the end of the collect, go toward the pulpit. Bow prior to walking up the steps which *should be timed with the priest sitting down*. As soon as the priest is seated, proclaim the first reading
6. Be seated behind the pulpit during the responsorial psalm unless you are asked to read them
7. Return to the pulpit and proclaim the second reading
8. Close the book and place on a shelf of the podium
9. Descend the steps, bow toward the altar and be seated
10. Toward the end of the profession of faith, *when you hear "I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church"* proceed toward the pulpit. Bow prior to going up the steps to the pulpit so that you are ready to read the petitions after Father's introductory prayer. There should not be a break in the flow from the profession of faith to the introductory prayer
11. When Father finishes, go down the steps, bow and be seated