

Eucharistic Minister Training

November 2010

Instructions for Eucharistic Ministers at HOLY CROSS

I. Immediate Preparation

- A. Be at the church 15 minutes beforehand.

II. Coming Forward

- A. Please come up during the Sign of Peace, not at the end.
 - 1. The Cup Minister comes to the center aisle, in front of the first row of pews, bow to the altar. Then go to the left side of the altar.
- B. After the Lamb of God has been sung, the priest presents the host to the host minister, musician and server. They are to consume the host at the same time the priest does.
- D. The priest will offer the Sacred Cup to the Cup Minister.
 - 1. The Cup Minister then offers the cup to the organist and then meets the server in front of the altar, if the server desires to receive the cup. Then proceeds to the center aisle beside the priest.

III. Distribution of Communion

NOTE: When Deacon Barnwell preaches at Mass, he will also be the cup minister; no other minister will be needed at this Mass.

- A. In distributing the Body and Blood of Christ, look the communicants in the eye. **THIS IS A FAITH MOMENT.**
- B. After each communicant has received, the Cup Minister wipes the Sacred Cup with the purificator, turning the Sacred Cup before offering to the next communicant. Be cautious of the young and frail; but not overly cautious.

IV. Post Communion

- A. The Cup Minister is to take the cup back to the side table and consume what remains or place the cup on the table and cover it.
- B. The Cup Minister then goes to the center aisle, bows to the altar and returns to their pew.

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V. Miscellaneous Notes

- A. During communion do not turn people away...if there is a situation inform Fr. Dan or Deacon Barnwell and it will be addressed; personally and privately.
- B. The Cup Minister is asked to wash the Sacred Cup after Mass.
- C. The schedule indicates who is assigned as the Cup Minister for each weekend. Please find and secure a substitute if you are not able to make a time you are scheduled, be flexible if someone calls you asking for a substitute.
- D. When the deacon is assisting he will automatically be the minister of the cup
- E. The server will come around and meet the cup minister at the center of the altar to receive.

To serve as Eucharistic minister is an honor and blessing.

You become an active part of the liturgy, helping the community celebrate the Paschal Mystery of Christ to His people.

Please honor your scheduled times to serve by being on time and prepared.

Be sure you have someone to take your place if you can not be there to serve the community.