

ALTAR SERVER APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in becoming an Altar Server at St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother ! Serving on the altar for Mass and other Liturgies is a wonderful experience, something you'll remember for the rest of your life and it's a great way to learn more about your faith! Training is "free," easy and fun (no one ever 'fails') and there's no homework or tests.

To apply is easy! All you need to do is to read this application and talk about it with your parents. If you are willing to assume the responsibilities of being an altar server (read them carefully), simply fill in your name and other information and have your parents sign the form. *Then return the completed form to the church office or place in the collection basket at Mass..*

Thanks again for your interest and I hope you join us as an Altar Server!

FATHER ANTHONY

REQUIREMENTS FOR BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER

Your family must be registered as parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish (if you are not, it's easy to do; just ask your parents to speak with Father Anthony), and you must now be a student in 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade.

Email Access: Once you sign up to be an altar server, the St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Coordinator will send you email where you can specify when you will be on vacation and unable to serve..

Vacation and Substitutes: If you know you will be unavailable to serve on specific days due to family vacations or other obligations (sports, etc.), let the coordinator know in advance of each schedule posting; you will not be scheduled on those days. If for some reason you are unable to serve a Mass for which you've already been scheduled, you must try to find a replacement. If you are unable to find a replacement, notify the coordinator. If you are attending Mass and are not scheduled to serve but there are no servers or short a server please volunteer. There will be extra albs in the sacristy for emergencies.

Service Hours: You may count your Altar Server Hours for Confirmation and other service hour requirements.

Attend training sessions. ALL TRAINING TAKES PLACE IN THE CHURCH. You will learn all the items used in Mass. You will receive a tour of the Church and Sacristy. You will be given step by step instructions on how to serve Mass. One training session required but welcome to attend both trainings as a review.

Server Albs: You will be able to take your alb home each time you serve. We ask that you help defray the cost of the alb with a \$25 donation.

If you feel that you are willing and able to meet these requirements, complete the form below and return it as directed above.

(Return this Section)

My name is _____ (please print).

I attend _____ school and I am in grade _____. I have read the requirements for becoming an Altar Server.

(signature)

Please have your parents fill-out the following:

Name (please print) _____ Phone # _____

Mailing Address (Altar Server Schedules will be mailed to this address): E-Mail

I support my child in his/her desire to become an Altar Server and will assist them in this endeavor.

(parent or guardian's signature)