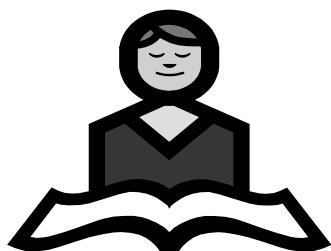
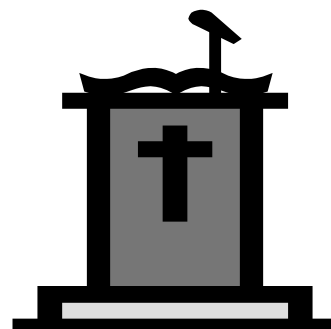


Church of St. Mary of the Lake
Volunteer Ministry Description
Spring 2005



Position Title: LECTOR

Responsible to: Mass Coordinator



Purpose of Position:

- Proclaim the Scripture readings for the assigned Sunday in a meaningful and respectful manner.
- Announce the intentions of the Assembly.

Responsibilities:

- Arrive at church 15 minutes before Mass and sign in.
- Review the posted Prayers of the Faithful; check pronunciation of names.
- Before Mass, go to the Ambo, open the Lectionary to the First Reading, adjust the mike, check the Black Binder to make sure the Prayers of the Faithful match what you read in the Sacristy—if not, confirm which is correct.
- Return to the Gathering Space to be ready to take part in the Entrance Procession.
- During Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter, carry the Book of the Gospels in the procession and place on the altar.
- Proclaim the Readings with appropriate silences between them.
- Join the Celebrant in the altar area for the Lord's Prayer and the Sign of Peace.
- Join the Recessional and, upon reaching the Gathering Space, take the priest's hymnal to the Sacristy.

Qualifications:

- Be a full initiated parishioner.
- Several hours of provided training time.
- Ability to read before the Assembly in a manner that is audible throughout the church.
- Dependability.
- A sense of the importance and dignity of this ministry.

Time Requirement:

- 1 – 2 hours preparation during the weeks prior to reading.
- Several hours for up-front training and then some refresher time in the following months.

Location:

Reading will be in the Church unless a special event is being celebrated elsewhere.