

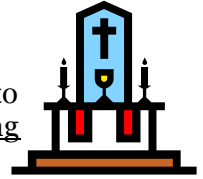


THE CHURCH OF SAINT JAMES



SAINT JAMES CHURCH IS IN NEED OF NEW ALTAR SERVERS!!

Students entering the fifth grade (or higher) in September 2018 are invited to answer the call to become Altar Servers. In this role you will serve at Mass and other liturgical functions, giving you the opportunity to learn more about your faith through participation!



New servers will be assigned to weekday Masses (7am or 8am) in the Chapel during their first year of service, which begins in July. Depending on the number of children joining, this will mean serving one week of Masses about every 6 weeks. During subsequent years of service, servers will be assigned to weekend Masses every 3-4 weeks, as well as Holy Day and special Masses in the Church.

Schedules are emailed home at three or four-month intervals and are available on the parish website. Children with a school start time before 8:30am will be assigned to the 7am weekday Masses and those whose classes begin later than 8:30am will be assigned to either the 7am or 8am weekday Mass. If unable to serve as scheduled, servers are required to arrange for a substitute. Although there are challenges in scheduling at least 60 servers, we try to accommodate individual special requests (e.g. vacations or time away). We appreciate your understanding, support, and cooperation.

PARENTS, PLEASE CONSIDER THIS MINISTRY FOR YOUR CHILDREN! This is a rewarding experience and a wonderful way for the young members of our parish to get involved and actively participate in the Mass. Older Altar Servers may earn credit for 5 Service Hours per year towards Confirmation requirements. Also, in appreciation for their service, all Altar Servers are invited to participate in a trip to Dorney Park in June of each year.

If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please complete the attached and email the application to saintjamesasm@optimum.net. **There will be training sessions for all new Altar Servers. Attendance is required to properly prepare the children for the important task of serving at the Lord's altar during Mass.**

Thank you,
Sr. Esther Falzone, SCC Pastoral Associate
Email: saintjamesasm@optimum.net
Phone: 908-766-0888, ext. 238
Saint James Altar Server Coordinator

CHURCH OF SAINT JAMES - NEW ALTAR SERVER APPLICATION

(detach and return to the Parish Office or email to: saintjamesasm@optimum.net)

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____
(to be included on phone list for server's use in finding substitutes)

FATHER'S NAME _____ MOTHER'S NAME _____

GRADE in September 2018 _____

SCHOOL (check one): St. James Private Public

PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____