

Serving as a LECTOR **at Holy Spirit Church**

*The Lectionary, petitions and any announcements should be in place on the ambo before Mass. Either you or the Sacristan can do this. If you wish to review any readings or the petitions before Mass, please do so in the Sacristy area early enough so you have plenty of time to place them on the ambo.

*When there is no Deacon, the Lector will:

carry the Book of Gospels in the procession,
make a bow of the head when the priest and servers genuflect,
place the Book of Gospels on the altar
take his/her place in the front pew,
read the First and Second Readings,
read the petitions,
and read the announcements.

*When a Deacon is present, the Lector will:

read the first and second readings,
and read the announcements if asked to do so by the deacon or priest.

*After the first reading, you can go sit in the empty chair behind you while the musicians lead the Responsorial Psalm.

*At the conclusion of the second reading, place the Lectionary on the table near the organ and then be seated in the pew.

*The priest or the deacon will place the Book of Gospels on the display shelf in front of the ambo.

*The time to come up to read the petitions is right at the end of the Nicene Creed.

* Please check to see if there are any announcements before Mass. If there are announcements, the time to come up to read them is after the priest says the Prayer after Communion.