



GUIDELINES FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

PRIOR TO MASS

- Arrive at least 15 minutes before Mass.
- Please wear Business Casual Attire (No Jeans)
- Check in at the Sacristy, with Father, or another minister to let someone know you are present.
- Remain in the sacristy until the prayer.
- Return to your pew. (EMHC's will not be processing in.)

DURING THE "LAMB OF GOD"

- ❖ Gather at floor level on either side of the sanctuary after the Sign of Peace, as soon as the "Lamb of God" begins.
 - If you sit on the right side of the church, you may stand on the right side foot of the sanctuary. If you sit on the left side of the church, you may stand on the left side foot of the sanctuary.
 - As soon as the priest celebrant has received the Body and Blood of Christ, gather on either side of the altar, where you will receive the Body (and Blood) of Christ from him.

AT THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

- ❖ One minister of the Body of Christ to each side aisle.
 - If distributing from the chalice please use all of the purificator, wiping on the inside and outside of the chalice after each communicant.
 - If you run out of the Precious Blood, place the purificator over the top and return the chalice to the altar.

AFTER COMMUNION

- ❖ Check to see if there are people anywhere throughout the Church needing Communion brought to them, and do so if needed.
- ❖ Precious Body ministers return to the altar with extra consecrated hosts, so Father can consolidate.
- ❖ Precious Blood ministers also return your chalice to the altar.
 - Possibly assist with consuming any Precious Blood left over.

**Thank you for sharing your time and talent
with our family of faith in this ministry!**