

**Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church**



**2019-20**

*Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be.  
My Father will honor the one who serves me.*

† *John 12:26* †

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## Prayers to Memorize & Recite During Mass

### **The Confiteor**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God

### **Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God, the Father. Amen

### **Sanctus**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest

### **Our Father**

Our Father, who art in heaven  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

### **Agnus Dei**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the World: Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the World: Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the World: Grant us Peace

## Prayers to Memorize & Recite During Mass (continued)

### The Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things, visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

## Responsibilities & Guidelines

### Mass Responsibilities

- ❖ Carry the cross & processional candles
- ❖ Hold the book for the priest celebrant when he is not at the altar
- ❖ Carry the incense and censer
- ❖ Present the bread, wine, and water to the priest during the preparation of the gifts or assist him when he receives the gifts from the people
- ❖ Wash the hands of the priest
- ❖ Assist the priest celebrant and deacon as necessary

### Requirements

- ❖ Currently enrolled in the fourth through twelfth grade
- ❖ Have already received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion
- ❖ Regularly attend mass and receive Communion weekly and on Holy Days
- ❖ Available on weekends & have parental support for attendance
- ❖ Access to receive schedule via email & ownership of substitutions
- ❖ Attend an instructional session to learn the Mass and its parts, meanings, as well as the various objects used in the liturgy (their names and use).

### Attendance & Scheduling

- ❖ Servers will be scheduled on a rotating basis to allow even distribution of mass times and server roles. We will do our best to accommodate requests; however, the family members are responsible for ensuring a mass is covered.
- ❖ Parents are responsible for checking the Schedule and making note of when their server is scheduled.
- ❖ If a family has a special request to attend/not attend a certain weekend mass, they must submit it in writing via email to Andrea at [churchoffice@mbsbr.org](mailto:churchoffice@mbsbr.org). We will make every effort to honor those requests.
- ❖ If a family event conflicts with the schedule, the family is responsible for finding a replacement prior to the scheduled mass day.
- ❖ Parents are responsible for getting the Altar Server to church at least fifteen minutes prior to the start of Mass. This time allows the Server time to dress, sign in and check with the priest/deacon for any special instructions.
- ❖ If mass has already started, and you notice a server is missing, we invite you to slip out of your pew quietly, dress in the alb and walk along the right (choir) side of church to join those already serving.

### Behavior

- ❖ Fully participate in the Mass by praying all of the congregational prayers
- ❖ Respond to the prayers and dialogues of the priest along with the congregation
- ❖ Join in singing hymns and other chants of the liturgy
- ❖ Maintain appropriate posture and reverential behavior (talking on the altar shall be limited to relaying necessary instructions)

## Responsibilities & Guidelines (continued)

### Dress Code

- ❖ Long pants for boys and dress pants or skirts for girls are required to be worn for all weekend Masses. Please refrain from wearing jeans. An exception is made when you arrive to mass and we are in need of a sub.
- ❖ Athletic/tennis shoes, flip flops and Crocs are NOT permitted.
- ❖ SCHOOL MASSES: Students should follow the Dress Uniform Policy as outlined in the Parent/Student Handbook.

### Arrival & Preparation

- ❖ Please sign in each time you serve. The sign in sheet is on the bulletin board in the dressing room.
- ❖ In the case of substitution, draw one line through the person's name for whom you are subbing, then sign your name in the corresponding box.
- ❖ Please do not take someone's place who is already present to serve.
- ❖ Once dressed, please sit in the Narthex (entry area) prior to Mass.

### Departure

- ❖ Each server is to hang up his/her alb and cincture NEATLY in the appropriate place. Please make sure the sleeves of the alb are not turned inside out, as this wrinkles the alb.
- ❖ Check the room before leaving to make sure that it is left in an orderly manner and none of your belongings are left.

## Ministry Commitment

### Thank you

Thank you for your willingness to allow your child to serve Christ at His altar. I know that Most Blessed Sacrament appreciates your child's future dedication and support of our mission. As an altar server, your child will give a public witness of his/her desire to serve Christ.

### Commitment

My family and I commit to the Altar Server Ministry of Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church.

As parents, we will work together with other parents of the ministry to ensure mass coverage is met. We will be flexible and understanding during the scheduling of altar servers. We will work together to ensure our student is present to participate fully in Mass.

As an Altar Server, I will carry out my duties well and with appropriate reverence. I will work together with the other ministers to ensure our responsibilities, on and off the altar are met.

Together, we have read and agree to meet the Responsibilities and Guidelines of the Altar Server Ministry of Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church.

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Altar Server Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

Date

**2019 - 2020 ALTAR SERVER COMMITMENT FORM  
FOR NEW SERVERS**

I give my son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_, permission to commit himself/herself to the Altar Server Ministry from October, 2018 - September, 2019.

As an altar server, I commit to:

- attend one scheduled training session
- serve assigned Masses as scheduled OR find a replacement if a conflict arises
- dress appropriately per the dress code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Altar Server

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Parents name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade level 2019/2020: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the mass time you would like to serve on the weekend.

Weekend mass time preferred: \_\_\_\_\_

Any special considerations: (ex. schedule with sibling, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note: In order to be on the schedule for October, November, and December, you must return this form by email or bring to church office by Monday, August 12, 2019.**