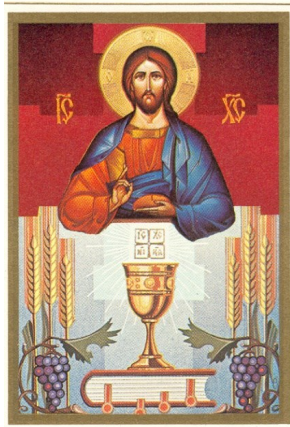


EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION



Did you know? An **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC)**, often called a **Eucharistic Minister**, is a term used in the Roman Catholic Church for members of the laity who have been authorized to distribute the Eucharist to members of the congregation during Mass. Typically, Eucharistic Ministers can also distribute Holy Communion to those in prison, or to those who are sick and unable to attend Mass.

Saint Rose Parish has many parishioners who serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion by helping at Mass and taking Communion to the elderly and infirm. Every two years the Diocese of Toledo commissions Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion for this purpose. Serving as an EMHC is a two year commitment.

If you are currently an EMHC and would like to continue in this role **OR** would like to become an EMHC please return this form to me by placing it in the offertory collection basket or dropping it off at the parish office, no later than Wednesday, May 10.

ALL EMHC's NEED TO HAVE A FORM ON FILE.

Commissioning of EMHC's will take place on June 17/18, the Feast of Corpus Christi, during Mass. All EMHC's are expected to attend a workshop on either Saturday, May 13 at 9:00 a.m.—Meet in Church OR Sunday, May 21 at 1:00 p.m.—Meet in St. Peter's Corner (Walz Center)

Given the importance of this liturgical role, there are certain basic requirements for those who are to be commissioned as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who serve in this ministry must be fully-initiated Catholics who have a love for the Holy Eucharist and who participate regularly (weekly) in the celebration of Sunday Mass.

More specifically, to be considered for this role:

- You must be at least 16 years of age and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion.
- If married, your marriage must be recognized as valid by the Catholic Church. (If you have any questions or doubts about this, please let us know).
- You attend Sunday Mass weekly and do not miss Sunday Mass except for serious reasons (e. g., sickness, and inclement weather).

If you meet these requirements and would like to serve, please complete the following:

_____ I am currently an EMHC and would like to continue in this role.

_____ I am interested in becoming an EMHC.

_____ I will attend the workshop on:

Saturday, May 13 at 9:00 a.m. _____ **OR** Sunday, May 21 at 1:00 p.m. _____

(In Church)

(In St. Peter's Corner)

_____ I am no longer able to serve in this ministry. Please remove my name from the list.

Name

Address

Phone number

E-mail address