

# MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

February, March, April, 2012



Dear Proclaimers,

Thank you for your service to our parish, and especially for your part in Queen's celebration of Advent and of Christ's birth. Our liturgies continue to attract more and more parishioners, and this is due, in part, to your efforts.

If you haven't already done so, I encourage your reading of the Introduction found in the 2012 Workbook for Lector, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word. I found it to be a good review of the basics for effective proclaiming.

The attached three month schedule, beginning on February 4 and continuing through April, includes the Lenten services, the Easter Vigil, and Easter Sunday Masses. Please review the schedule as soon as possible. If you find you are unable to proclaim at an assigned Mass, arranging for a substitute early on will reduce the stress of a last minute appeal. Your chances of succeeding diminish the longer you wait.

I commend those of you who informed me of your unavailable Mass times. You have been scheduled accordingly. Those of you who indicated your availability for certain Masses are also to be commended. Special consideration was given you for services in which you may have indicated an interest.

Lectors will again have additional responsibilities on Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil. Palm Sunday and Good Friday are the only times during the church year when we are privileged to take part in the reading the Passion (gospel). These readings, as well as the Easter Vigil readings, are lengthy and will require extensive practice. Holy Week liturgies will be discussed at the next Liturgy Committee meeting. A general practice for all involved will be necessary, to assure coordinated and meaningful liturgies.

Queen is fortunate to have two experienced proclaimers joining our ranks. Sharon Schreiner currently proclaims at our weekday Masses and has now volunteered for weekend Masses as well. Dianne Nixon proclaims at weekday Masses at St. Ann's and has now volunteered to be a substitute at our 7am Sunday Masses. Please welcome them.

I wish you a fruitful lent and a joyous Easter!

Norm Coakley



Dear Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist,

We hope you are all adjusting to the new changes in the Mass. Aren't we lucky - no new changes in the Eucharist. Thank you to those 18 people who sent us an update on their preferences and emails etc. What percentage would that be for 90 plus ministers? MMMM! In any event it is never too late to update your information.

This schedule includes Ash Wednesday and Holy Week, including Easter. Please be sure to get a sub if you cannot make any of your assigned masses.

The next schedule will be for May, June and July. Please have your special requests in by March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Peace,

Pete and Helen Debus

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Dear Ushers,

Thank you all for helping to make this Christmas season such a happy time. Despite the overcrowding at some masses, all seemed to be handled smoothly and competently (as usual). And a special thanks to those who served at more than one mass!

We really appreciate your checking in to see if extra help is needed at masses when you are not scheduled to usher. It really helps when we have a full crew, especially with the balcony open.

Just a few quick notes - Please do not put the bulletins out before mass. It's very distracting to have people reading the bulleting during mass. And it really is quite inappropriate for people to be reading them during Father Cullen's homily. There is one further request. Please place the small wooden table on wheels to the immediate right of the gifts table before each mass. This makes it much easier to fill it and avoids the possibility of small change accidentally landing in the wine. (Thank goodness it is only wine at that point!). Toward the end of mass the table can still be used for the bulletins.

We have tried to accommodate everyone's requests for this schedule. It isn't perfect, but it's the best we could accomplish. If you are scheduled to usher but cannot, PLEASE FIND A SUB!!!!!! The names and phone numbers of all the ushers are included with the schedule as well as their time preferences.

The beginning of the Easter Season is not far off so please check your schedules carefully. Thank you for all the good work you do for our parish.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Thank you to all ministers who have chosen to pick up their schedules from the Sacristy on the weekends of April 21-22 and April 29-30. The schedules requested by e-mail were e-mailed on April 20. Schedules **NOT PICKED UP**, will be left in the sacristy. So **PLEASE** pick up your schedule.

**A combined roster (all ministers) is included with this schedule. This roster includes: name, phone number, ministry, and order of Mass preferences.**

**The following Holy Days/special days are included in this schedule: Ash Wednesday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter, and First Holy Communion.**

**Be sure and check to see if you are scheduled for any of these special days.**

**Please check your schedule each week to see if you are scheduled. When you don't fulfill your obligation, it puts a burden on everyone else. If you are not able to fulfill your obligation, PLEASE GET A SUBSTITUTE.**

**Please call your COORDINATOR if you have a question about this schedule.**

**PLEASE** let your coordinators know any special requests for the May, June and July schedule you may have by March 25. **ANY RREQUESTS RECEIVED AFTER MARCH 25 WILL NOT BE INCORPORATED IN THE NEXT SCHEDULE.**

Below is a list of your coordinators:

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It has been suggested that everyone give their e-mail addresses to their coordinators to make it easier to communicate, in case there are last minute changes in routines. Twenty e-mails take less time than twenty phone calls.

If and when you happen to change your e-mail address, Please let your coordinator and Connie know so that the appropriate changes can be made.