

Our Lady of Victory Parish ✦ Davenport, Iowa

Lector

Position Description

Purpose of Position

To serve as the instrument through whom God's word is proclaimed to the assembly.

Responsibilities

- Carry the Lectionary in the entrance and recessional processions unless an ordained deacon is assisting at Mass.
- Proclaim the first two readings.
- Read the petitions during Prayers of the Faithful.
- Arrange for your own substitute, if one is needed.

Qualifications

- Comfortable before large groups.
- Clear, pleasant speaking voice with ability to project in a large church.
- Some knowledge about language, liturgy and scripture.
- Willingness to prepare in advance and follow established procedures.

Amount of Time Required

Approximately 1 hour per week Mass time, plus preparation.

When Ministry Is Performed

- During one of the regularly scheduled weekend or Holy Day Masses.
(A less structured cadre of lectors fulfills similar responsibilities at weekday Masses and funerals as required).
- Lectors are assigned for all the Sundays of a month during your preferred Mass time.
- Practice and preparation at your own convenience. (A minimum of ½ hour per week is encouraged).

Training Provided

- Lector orientation session.
- Periodic enrichment and renewal sessions.
(A sincere effort to attend scheduled enrichment and renewal sessions is expected).
- Printed guidelines and suggestions.

Responsible To

Lector Coordinator: Camilla (Clancy) Poston
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Dixon, IA 52745
563-843-2646 (local call)
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Support Provided

- Printed schedule and complete roster of all Lectors.
- *Workbook for Lectors* available as a resource. (Contains pronunciation guide, scripture background, and suggestions for good proclamation).
- Timely communications from Lector Coordinator about unusual procedures and/or extraordinary needs.