

GUIDELINES FOR LECTORS

1. Please make sure that the **Lectionary** is opened to the correct readings, check for announcements and the prayer of the faithful in the white binder at the Ambo or in the Sacristy.
2. Practice the readings in **advance**. If there is **any doubt**, please ask Father.
3. Locate the Book of the Gospels and place it in the back of the church.
4. Before Mass, the church bells will ring, and then the prelude will begin. Please **wait till the prelude is over**, then go to the Ambo and do the introduction and the announcements.
5. Come back to the procession and take **the Book of the Gospels**.
6. When the procession reaches the sanctuary continue on to place the Book of the Gospels in the middle of the altar. Please bow toward the Book **after** placing it in the center of the altar.
7. Proceed to your chair near the Ambo and keep standing.
8. Please **do not** say “First Reading/Second Reading/Responsorial Psalm” before each reading.
9. If the Responsorial Psalm is chanted, **please sit** on one of the chairs near the Ambo.
10. After the second reading **place the Lectionary** in the wire basket located at the ambo and go to your pew.
11. **Before the end of the Creed** go to the ambo and read the prayer of the faithful. When Father concludes the prayer, you may go to your pew.
12. At the conclusion of the Mass, the lector **does not process** with the Book of the Gospels.

Keep up the good work!