

Quick Reference Sheet: MASSES WITHOUT MUSIC (such as 7:30am Sunday)

Lector Duties at 7:30am Mass are Different than other Masses. Use the basic Liturgical Guidelines, Sign in upon arrival to the sacristy, review the antiphons in missalette, with the following exceptions:

Generally, only 1 lector is assigned and does both roles, but **IF** a 2nd lector is present, then:

- **Lector #1** reads the Welcome and Entrance Antiphon, First Reading, the Responsorial Psalm, & Communion Antiphon.
- **Lector #2** reads the Second Reading, the Universal Prayer (unless a Deacon is serving), & the Announcements.

Note: It's OK to switch duties as needed, such as if lector#1 needs to also assist as an EM – just be sure to clearly communicate in advance with each other to avoid confusion.

1. **Processional.** There is no formal Processional.

- **Lector #1.** When the Celebrant is ready to leave the sacristy, **Lector #1 proceeds to the Altar, bows to the Altar** as you pass the Altar, **and proceed directly to the lectern** (also called the cantor's stand); **NOT** to the Ambo/Pulpit, **and welcomes the congregation.** Typically the lector says:
"Welcome to St Mary's on this (name of the Sunday; Example: First Sunday in Ordinary Time). Please turn off or silence all electronic devices.
 - Add any script provided for the Mass – Typically includes the name(s) of person(s) whom the bread and wine offerings may be in remembrance of.
 - End with *"Father/Msgr (say his name) is our Celebrant. Please STAND and join me in reciting the Entrance Antiphon found on page ___ of the missalette"*.

Give the assembly time a few seconds to find the page before you start reciting the Antiphon. After the Celebrant bows to the Altar, Lector returns to lector chair.

- **Lector #2** (if serving): When celebrant is ready to leave the sacristy, Lector#2 walks to (and stands at) the lector chair before Mass starts, bowing to Altar as you pass the Altar.
2. **Readings and Responsorial Psalm:** Lector #1 reads the first reading, then gives a 10 second pause (count to 10), then proceeds with reading (not sung) the Responsorial Psalm. If 1 lector, then give another longer pause (count to 10) before starting the Second Reading. If 2 lectors, then lector#1 returns to lector chair after completing the Responsorial Psalm while at same time, lector #2 walks to Ambo.
3. **Communion Antiphon** After the priest has received communion, Lector #2 walks to the lectern/cantor stand and says (or similar): *"Please join me in reciting the Communion Antiphon on page ___ of the missalette"*. Give the assembly a few seconds (count to 5) to find the page before you begin reciting the Antiphon. After reading the Antiphon, return to your lector chair.
4. **Announcements:** When the priest stands after communion, Lector#2 walks to the edge of Altar near Cantor Stand with the lector book. After the priest finishes the Prayer after Communion, step up to the Cantor Stand (not the Ambo), and read the announcements. The celebrant will normal eye signal to lector when you can start.
5. **Recessional.** There is no formal Recessional. After the Priest says "The Mass has ended..", the Lector(s) walk directly from their chairs to the sacristy. Carry the Lector Book & return it to the sacristy table. Remember to cross out names in the general intercession for the Mass(es) which have PAST.