

*** Sunday May 13 – LITURGICAL MINISTERS MINISTRY**

In Christian tradition the word “liturgy” means the participation of the People of God in “the work of God.” (CCC 1069)

“. . . every liturgical celebration, because it is an action of Christ the priest and of his Body which is the Church, is a sacred action surpassing all others. No other action of the Church can equal its efficacy by the same title and to the same degree.” (Sacrosanctum concilium)

PRAYER FOR OUR LECTORS

Everlasting God, when he read in the synagogue at Nazareth, your Son proclaimed the good news of salvation for which he would give up his life.

Bless these readers.

As they proclaim your words of life, strengthen their faith that they may read with conviction and boldness, and put into practice what they read.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR OUR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS,
ALTAR SERVERS, & SACRISTANS**

God of Glory, your beloved Son has shown us that true worship comes from humble and contrite hearts.

Bless our brothers and sisters, who have responded to the needs of St. Mary and St. John Parishes and wish to commit themselves to your service as extraordinary ministers, altar servers, and sacristans.

Grant that their ministry may be fruitful and our worship pleasing in your sight.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYER OF BLESSING FOR ALL THOSE WHO SERVE IN LITURGY

Lord God, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to be our shepherd and guide. Continue to send workers into your vineyard to sustain and direct your people.

Bless the lectors, extraordinary ministers, altar servers, and sacristans of St. Mary and St. John Parishes.

Let your Spirit uphold them always as they serve the people of these Parishes.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.