

St. Philomene Church



Altar Server Ministry

January 28, 2010

Dear Altar Server and Parent(s):

Recently, I was notified that there is a conflict for some altar servers who are students at St. Philomene School in scheduling the February 3<sup>rd</sup> Mandatory Altar Server Meeting. Apparently, February 3<sup>rd</sup> is "Book Reading Night" which is part of our Catholic School's Week events. Unfortunately, I can not change the date of the meeting which has to happen before Ash Wednesday and the Lenten Season, the Church has limited availability and Father Edunio and I both have other commitments. As much as I support Catholic School's Week and all their events I must still encourage attendance at this very important meeting. May I suggest if you as a student are scheduled to read please come to the meeting before or after your scheduled time.

The mandatory meeting will still be held Wednesday evening February 3, 2010 at 7pm in the Church.

The role of an altar server plays an extremely important part of our parish life. Father is greatly impressed with your services as you serve at Our Lord's table. Assisting him in our Liturgical celebrations promotes the spiritual well-being of our fellow parishioners as they come together in prayer. There have been many changes, some confusion and anxiety in regards to our Liturgical Celebration Father wants to clarify these issues and make certain all of you are aware of the changes and the reason behind them. Teaching you the use of incense, the why and how of it needs to be done in a formal manner, not just a few minutes before the start of mass.

Thank you for your efforts and sacrifices you might make in order to be in attendance.

Respectfully,

Shari Sartore (Altar Server Ministry Coordinator)  
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