



## GUIDELINES REGARDING ALTAR SERVERS

Diocese of Great Falls-Billings

1. This liturgical function may be carried out by altar servers, men and women, boys and girls.
2. The term to be used for this ministry is “server”. No distinction is to be made between the functions of men and boys, women and girls. The term “altar boys” is replaced by “servers.”
3. It is assumed that servers be fully initiated and be mature enough to understand their responsibilities and carry them out well.
4. Servers, like all liturgical ministers, should receive instruction on the liturgy and proper formation on how to carry out their ministry within the liturgy.
5. Servers should normally be vested. The preferred vesture for servers is an alb. This white baptismal garment is the vesture common to ministers of every rank. (*See General Instruction of the Roman Missal #339*).

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