

What Is An Usher and Why Are They So Important?

Ushering is a very important ministry within our parish.

Could this be the ministry that the Lord is calling you to be a part of?

Often, the first person that you see when you enter the church and the last person you see when you leave, is an usher. Without ushers, we cannot welcome people into the church correctly. Isn't it better when you hear someone say "It is great to see you today. Welcome!" when you walk into church, than when you enter a quiet space with no feeling? This is why I am asking you to truly consider being an usher.

We are currently in great need of more ushers. We need more people who are willing to welcome fellow parishioners each week. But that is not all that ushers do. Ushers are people who have many responsibilities. These responsibilities include making sure everything in the church runs smoothly and without interruption. If someone is sick and needs help, they are there. If people are new to the parish or visiting, the ushers help the people feel welcome and direct them where to go. It is vital to have a good usher program in order to have a warm, loving and welcoming church.

Because this ministry is so important, I am offering training once a month for those interested. Both men and women are welcome. In fact, I would love to see more women in this ministry. A few women have trained recently, and I am excited they have joined our group. In addition, we are including mature young adults and teens into this ministry.

Please pray about this and see if the Lord is calling you to this ministry. If the answer is yes, please call me at 847-223-4731. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon. Our next training is Monday, September 21 at 7pm in the church.

Father Sam