



WHAT CAN YOU Do?

ADULTS AND TEENS (who have been confirmed) are called catechists. There are two catechists at LWC. One acts as the reader; the other reflects on the readings,

While the reader is reading, the Person who reflects will assist the aide. Once the reflection on the WORD begins the reader works with the aides.

An aide must be in 5th grade and will have the opportunity to earn service hours.

But he called the children to him and said, "Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Remember this! Whoever does not receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it." LUKE 17:16-17

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The "Our Program" page describes the why and how LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN is celebrated as directed by the DIRECTORY OF MASSES WITH CHILDREN.

Our training is the hands on method, we ask the trainee to join us to see the very minor difference between LWC and the Liturgy of the Word in the main assembly, celebrated each time they attend Mass. The only difference is the readings are at the level of a child's understanding,

All volunteers over the age of 18, who work with children and youths are required to register for the "Protecting God's Children and Youths, on-line Archdiocesan program designed to prevent wrong doing in religious organizations. Volunteers must register with the Archdiocese and also complete VIRTUS training which consists of videos and discussion. The training is ongoing. The volunteer will receive a monthly email advising them that a VIRTUS bulletin is available. The volunteer will sign onto VIRTUS.org, read the one page article and answer the question at the bottom of the page.



LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

Celebrate Mass with us every

Sunday 9:00 AM and 10:45 AM

ABOUT LWC
SAINT GILBERT

Saint Gilbert children have been celebrating the Liturgy of the Word with children at the Sunday Masses since Pentecost Sunday on June 4 1995 at the 9:00 and 10:45AM Mass.

Some people believe that LWC is Sunday School. It is not. In fact it is same Liturgy of the Word being celebrated in the main assembly at the level of a child's understanding.

Our program is a year- long Ministry.-

WHY LWC?

When the Second Vatican Council met in the 1960'S (1962-1965) it was proclaimed that all Christians had a right to hear God's Word – THE HOLY SCRIPTURES.

Soon after, the Mass was heard in the language of local countries no longer in Latin only.

In our country Mass was celebrated not only in English but also in in the language of local ethnic neighborhoods. (Spanish, German, Polish, etc.) The deaf heard the Word through signing.

The Devine Worship Congregation realized the readings may be too difficult for children to understand.

November 1, 1973 they issued the DIRECTORY of MASSES With CHILDREN. This challenging document calls us to use “words and signs” in our liturgies which are “Sufficiently adapted to the capacity of children.”

LWC

The Priest calls for the children and Catechist to come forward to receive a blessing, he hands the children's Lectionary to the catechist, and excuses them to go to their place of worship and to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word.

We begin with a short prayer.

(Below is the sequence of the Liturgy as the children celebrate it.

First Reading

Second Reading - sometimes omitted

Alleluia

Gospel

Reflection

Creed

Prayer of the Faithful

Return to the main assembly