



# Guidelines for Ministry of Lectors

## Queen of the Most Holy Rosary



### Proclamation of the Word

God's Word is a person – Jesus, Word made flesh. So it is with the proclamation of the word. It is far more than a telling, a relating, a recounting; it is God's Word becoming flesh in our midst in order to achieve the purpose for which it was sent – to redeem us in love. Can there be any more compelling reason to proclaim the word effectively?

### Preparation

- \* Please love your ministry enough to prepare your readings ahead of time.
- \* Read your reading over and over again
- \* Pray over the text and reflect on its message.
- \* Practice out loud, mastering difficult words, learning the right pronunciations and practicing the delivery of the text aloud in the presence of someone who is able to critique the delivery.
- \* You proclaim the Word to us! Please touch our hearts with the Word of God!



### Dress Appropriately



- \* What we wear to church is extremely important.
- \* Please model proper and "holy attire" that expresses the dignity of our celebration.
- \* All clothing should be neat, clean, modest. Jeans are not acceptable.
- \* Remember, you are attending a sacred celebration. Your dress should reflect your appreciation of the holy gathering.

### Before Mass

- \* Please arrive 15-20 minutes early.
- \* In the sacristy, join in prayer right before Mass starts.