

OVERVIEW OF THE MINISTRIES OF THE LITURGY: ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH COMMUNITY

RELEVANT PARISH PASTORAL PRIORITIES: St Augustine's Parish wishes to be a community:

- **Grounded in Prayer, Scripture and Liturgy** which is life-giving, prayerful and unifying
- Where people feel **welcome, known and connected** – a parish that feels like a **spiritual family** where belonging is actively fostered
- In which children, youth and families are **visible, engaged and supported**

PLEASE NOTE:

ALL VOLUNTEERS IN THE PARISH ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN THE CODE OF CONDUCT FORM – Valid for 3 Years. This will be made available to Volunteers – it is listed on the Yass Parish Website.

ONLY MINISTRIES WHERE IT IS INDICATED, NEED A WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC-NSW) -These are at NO cost for Volunteers.

LEADERS OF MINISTRIES & MEMBERS OF THE PPC ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A WWCC.

MINISTRY	PURPOSE	PROTOCOL & TRAINING
Lectors/Readers <i>Susan Bucknell</i> WWCC	To proclaim the Word of God in the Assembly, especially during the celebration of Mass	Be prepared to participate in Formation for this Ministry
COMMENTATORS	To welcome the Assembly to the celebration of Mass or an organised celebration	
SPECIAL (EXTRAORDINARY) MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST (SME) <i>Dianne Carey</i> WWCC	- Facilitate the easy distribution of the Sacred Species/ Blessed Sacrament under both species within the celebration of the Eucharist - Mass - Be willing to be on a roster for Holy Communion to those in Aged Care & unable to attend Mass	- Be prepared to participate in Formation for this Ministry WWCC not required if ministering as SME during Mass - Those on the Roster for Aged Care & Home SME Ministry require a WWCC
MUSIC & CHOIR <i>Anne Eade (Yass)</i> <i>Paul Trezise (MB)</i> WWCC	The role of music and the choir is to enable the participation of the congregation in singing at Mass and Ceremonies.	Join in Choir practice when scheduled.
SERVERS Junior & Senior <i>Peter Cleary</i> WWCC	To assist the Celebrant in the celebration of Eucharist and other Liturgies	- Be willing to engage in training - WWCC required for over 18 Servers
Children's Liturgy <i>Jaclyn Green</i>	To lead Children's Liturgy during Masses on the weekend – 2 weekly during the school term	2 Leaders at each session - WWCC required
WELCOMERS <i>This ministry will be developed further</i>	- To welcome people to the Celebration of the Eucharist and distribute the Bulletin & support people who might require ushering to available spaces - Welcome new people to the Parish	

COLLECTORS & COUNTERS <i>This ministry will be developed further</i>	- To collect the people's gifts (money) as a symbolic sharing of material goods in the Eucharistic celebration. - To exercise stewardship of the gifts of the people ensuring accountability of monies collected – to the Parish & the Archdiocese.	Counters generally needed after 10.15am Mass – security awareness is a requirement.
Sacramental Preparation/Team (First Reconciliation; Eucharist & Confirmation)	- To accompany or journey with candidates to the reception of the appropriate sacraments. - To collaborate closely with the school communities in the preparation of young people.	- The Parish Sacramental Team coordinates all sacramental preparation and liaises with the school and Liturgy Team for support as requested. - WWCC required
RCIA Perry Healey WWCC	To accompany adults in the preparation for full reception into the Catholic faith	Currently Perry Healey coordinates RCIA and is forming a Team
ACOLYTES Peter Cleary WWCC	- Ministry of the Acolyte involves assisting the priest at the altar, preparing the sacrifices, and distributing Holy Communion as an extraordinary minister. - It also involves preparation before Mass.	- The Ministry of Acolyte requires the discernment of Candidates and approval by the Parish Priest for participation in Formation - WWCC required
ALTAR SOCIETY	- Preparation & maintaining the sacred vessels & sacred vestments & cloths - Ensure the sacred vestments & cloths are laundered & kept clean - Cleaners for the Altar & Sanctuary.	
BAPTISM TEAM <i>To be developed in the future</i>	To accompany families in the preparation of their child for the reception of the sacrament of Baptism and beyond.	- To be available as a Team to support families in their preparation for the Baptism of their child. - WWCC
HOSPITALITY AT MASS – Morning Teas Katarina O'Connor (Yass) Cathy Johnston (MB)	- To bring Morning Tea food for sharing - To be available to assist in setting up and serving at Morning Tea.	To be available to be on a roster.

Please Note Archdiocesan Policy requires the positions nominated above to hold a current Working With Children Check (WWCC)

which can be obtained through the following website:

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

Or by visiting the Service NSW Service Centre

Please note the Archdiocesan Policies are on the Parish Website as well as the Archdiocesan Website, including the Code of Conduct:

<https://cgcatholic.org.au/professional-standards/child-protection-code-of-conduct/>

Summary of Ministries: St Augustine's Parish Yass - Liturgy Team (30 July 2026)