

A Message From

FR. MARLON

Dear Liturgical Ministers,

Peace and blessings in Christ.

I want to begin by expressing my heartfelt gratitude for your faithful service to our parish. Through your generosity, dedication, and love for the Lord, you help make our liturgies prayerful, welcoming, and reverent. Whether you serve as a lector, usher, eucharistic minister, adult sacristan, altar server, or in any other ministry, your presence and commitment are a blessing to our community.

As our parish continues to grow, we are witnessing many signs of new life and renewed faith. With this growth comes opportunities to strengthen our ministries, improve communication, and ensure that our parish remains a safe, welcoming, and prayerful home for all. You may notice several updates around our campus, including enhancements to the sanctuary, the installation of AEDs, and the presence of a security officer during our weekend liturgies. These measures are simply ways of caring for one another as good stewards of the gifts God has entrusted to us.

MINISTRY REQUIREMENTS & COMMUNICATION

The *Archdiocese of Los Angeles* requires all adult liturgical ministers and parish volunteers involved in ministry to complete *fingerprinting* and *VIRTUS* training. New ministry badges have been issued as part of this process. If you have not yet exchanged your old badge, please get in touch with the parish office at your earliest convenience.

These requirements reflect our shared commitment to creating a safe environment where all God's people can worship, grow, and encounter Christ.

SUPPORTING OUR LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

To better support our parish's liturgical life, you may also notice some refinements in how ministries are coordinated during Mass. These adjustments are intended to strengthen communication, foster teamwork, and help us serve our parish family more effectively.

- **Jose Erazo**, Head Sacristan, helps coordinate the sacristy and prepares for weddings, quinceañeras, funerals, daily Masses, Sunday Masses, and major liturgical celebrations. I kindly ask for your patience and understanding toward Jose and our clergy, especially during weekends. While much of our work happens behind the scenes, many people work diligently to ensure that every celebration is beautiful, prayerful, and well-organized. As our parish grows, so do the challenges and responsibilities we encounter together.
- **Claudia Fryer** assists with ministry scheduling through Ministry Scheduler Pro (MSP) and helps keep our liturgical ministers informed, connected, and supported.

USHERS

Our ushers are often the first face of hospitality that parishioners and visitors encounter. Through your smile, welcome, and attentiveness, you help create an atmosphere where everyone feels at home in God's house. I strongly encourage all ushers to make use of MSP and to participate in opportunities for formation and training.

USHER COORDINATORS

To support communication and coordination, each Mass will have a designated Point of Contact (POC): Their role is to help ensure that our ministers are supported and that our liturgies flow smoothly and prayerfully. Each Mass will have a point of contact (POC).

- **Gilbert Dimaano** – 5:00 PM Vigil, 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, and 11:00 AM Masses
- **Blanca Otero** – 7:00 PM Spanish Vigil, 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM, and 5:00 PM Masses

LECTORS

To all our lectors, thank you for your ministry of proclaiming God's Word. I encourage you to spend time preparing and praying with the readings before Mass. The more familiar you become with the Scriptures, the more confidently and prayerfully you can proclaim them. Your preparation helps the Word of God come alive in the hearts of our faithful.

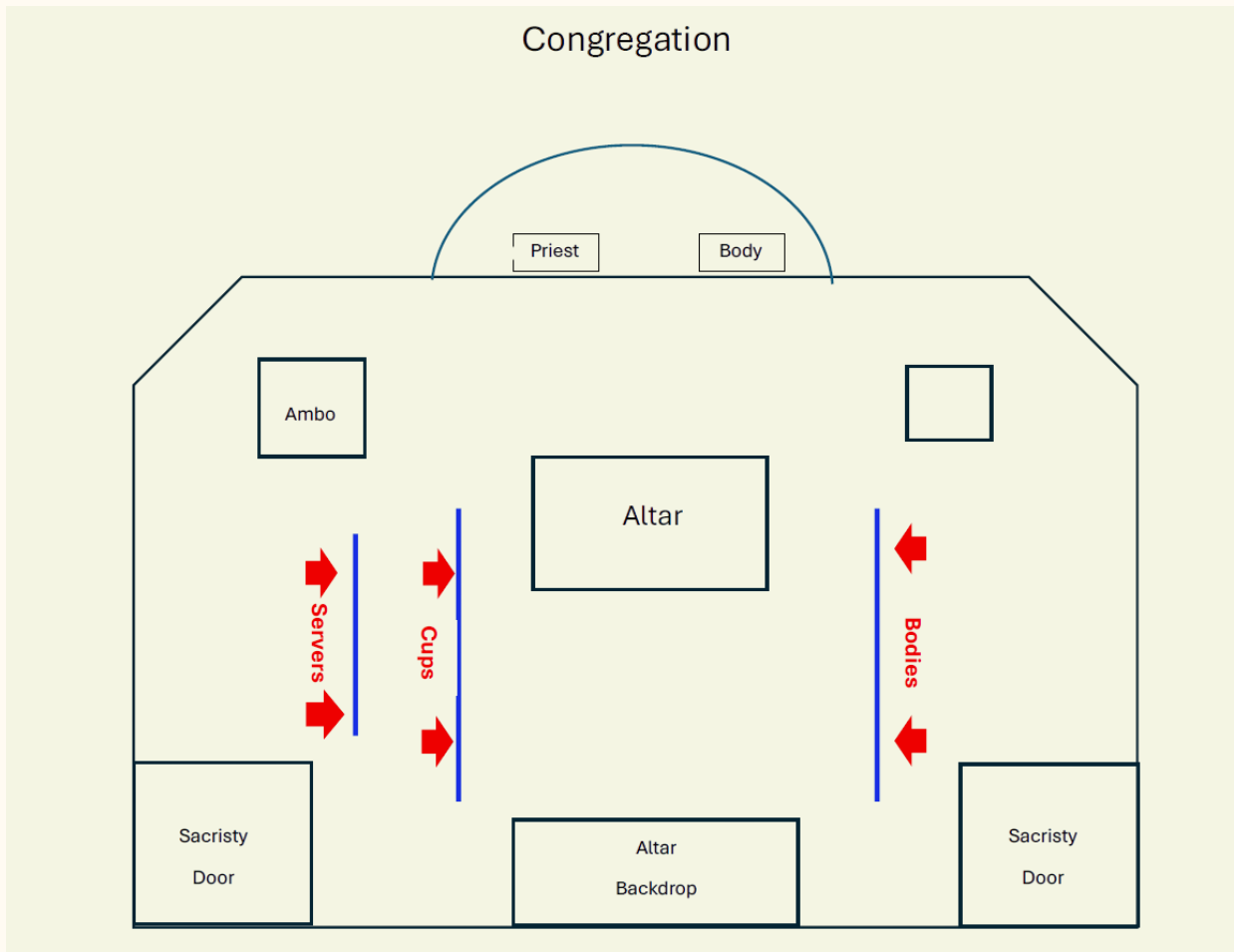
ALTAR SERVERS

Our altar servers play an important role in helping our liturgies unfold with reverence and dignity. Thank you for your faithful service and willingness to assist at the Lord's altar. As we continue to grow as a parish community, we encourage all altar servers to arrive early to prepare and serve with attentiveness, prayerfulness, and joy. Through your ministry, you help lead our parish family in worship and draw others closer to Christ.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

As ministers entrusted with the Sacred Eucharist, we are called to serve with reverence and attentiveness. To help ensure a smooth and prayerful Communion procession, it is worth remembering that the Church teaches that Jesus Christ—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity—is fully present under either species. Whether one receives Holy Communion under the form of the Sacred Host or the Precious Blood, one receives the fullness of Christ.

- Ministers will line up in their designated area (Body, Cup, or Servers).
- Ministers will receive their vessel directly from the priest or deacon.
- Ministers serving the Precious Blood should proceed directly to their assigned station after receiving the cup.
- The minister bringing Communion to the cry room should first distribute Communion to the altar servers before proceeding.
- Ministers receiving the ciboria should go directly to their stations.
- Communion stations are clearly marked as either Cup or Ciboria.



MINISTRY SCHEDULER PRO (MSP)

MSP is required for Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Lectors for ministry communication and scheduling. If you have not already done so, please download the MSP app and familiarize yourself with its features as soon as possible. It is an important tool that helps us stay connected and serve together more effectively.

GRATITUDE

As we continue this journey together, I am deeply grateful for your patience, generosity, adaptability, and faithful service. These updates are not about changing who we are; rather, they are about helping us work together more effectively so that our parish may continue to be a place of welcome, reverence, and encounter with Jesus Christ.

Please continue to pray for our parish community, for your fellow liturgical ministers, and for the clergy who are privileged to serve alongside you. May the Holy Spirit guide us in wisdom, charity, and unity as we strive to build up the Body of Christ.

Thank you once again for your faithful ministry and dedication. Together, let us continue to reflect Christ's love through our service and hospitality.

May God bless you and your loved ones abundantly.

In Christ,

Fr. Marlon Mateo
Pastor