

How can you help?

- Pray for the children and their leaders.
- Participate by volunteering to help or lead.

Training, instruction, and materials will be provided to volunteers.

Time Commitment

The hour of Mass and the hour or two needed to become familiar with the readings and find that special nugget that will draw the children into the Word.

**VALUE
PRICELESS**

Can you help with our
Liturgy for Children?

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“And He took the children into His arms, put His hands on them, and blessed them.”

Mark 10:16

Children's Liturgy of the Word

How do we come to “know” God?

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.... The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.”

John 1:1, 14

Through His WORD!

Children's Liturgy of the Word is:

Ritual prayer centered on proclamation and breaking open of the scriptures.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is:

Engaging children in the treasure of the Scripture.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is:

Reading from the Lectionary for Masses with Children, a simplified version of Scripture.

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Parallels the Liturgy of the Word at Mass in content, structure, and symbol.

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Prepares children for full participation in the liturgy.

At Children's Liturgy of the Word, children:

GATHER first with the rest of the assembly to celebrate the introductory rite and then in their own space.

LISTEN to the Word proclaimed reverently with faith and understanding.

DO. Break open the Word appropriate to the children's level of understanding.

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