

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

To minimize the waiting period of going up to the sanctuary to receive the ciborium and the cup and to help in the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ to the congregation, it is highly recommended that right after the greeting of peace and/or during the singing (recitation) of the Lamb of God, the assigned ministers should already proceed to the front pew by the middle aisle (right before the altar).

The hospitality ministry members are instructed to reserve the front pew for the ministers in all the masses.

Right after the invitation of communion is recited "Lord I am not worthy.....and I shall be healed," the ministers will step up immediately in front of the altar just like before and make a short bow together and go up and stand on the either side of the altar to receive communion immediately.

Purificators are available by the front pew for the cup ministers. Sanitizers will be placed on the either side of the pew.

After distributing communion the ministers may stand in a single file by the step (not on the first step) where the chairs of the priest/deacon are. This is to facilitate the flow of "traffic" in the sanctuary between the altar and the presidential chair. After the last ministers set the cup on the credence table and the ciborium on the altar, everybody proceeds by the step in front of the altar, make a short bow and return to their original seats.

These are minor modifications that would facilitate our distribution communion in a very orderly fashion and to have a short waiting period. Please be guided accordingly. Let us be patient and we will get used to it in time.

God bless you!

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