Mass Summary Cheat Sheet

**DURING MASS:**
- On the weekends, the procession begins from the back of the Church or the back of the Parish Center. The procession is lead by the cross bearer (Server A) and is followed by the two candle bearers (Servers B and C). They are followed by the Lector, the Deacon, and the Priest.
- Go to the chairs for altar servers and at that time and through the whole Mass, the altar servers do the same as the people—i.e., standing, sitting, and kneeling.
- Hands should be folded when moving around in the sanctuary (if you are not carrying something). Please don’t put your hands in your pockets or on your waist.
- **OPENING PRAYER:** When the celebrant says, “Let us pray,” the cross bearer brings the Roman Missal up to the celebrant and then returns it to the side table when prayer is completed.
- **GOSPEL:** The two acolytes go to the altar and take the two candles from the stands and process with either priest or deacon to the front of the pulpit for the reading of the Gospel. This is done on the weekends only. At the end of the Gospel reading, the acolytes return the candles to the stands and return to their seats. Do this together, and gracefully.
- **OFFERTORY:** The acolytes proceed with hands folded to assist the celebrant at the front of the altar to receive the gifts of bread, water, and wine. The cross bearer places the Roman Missal on the altar and then places the chalice(s), purificators, and ciborium on the altar.
  - At weekend Masses, ALL chalices, purificators, and any ciboria with hosts are placed on the altar.
  - On weekends and weekdays, while Communion is being distributed, the Roman Missal is moved from the altar to the side table (credence table) by the cross bearer.

**END OF MASS:**
- The cross bearer brings the Roman Missal to the celebrant for the final prayer and blessing.
- The cross bearer returns the Roman Missal to the side table and picks up the cross and after a sign from the celebrant (usually a bow), begins the procession to the front of altar and then to the back of the church or Parish Center if it is a Sunday Mass.