



2019 STEWARDSHIP

Ministries That Need Volunteers

Saint Thomas More is a very active parish and many people minister in many ways while others have ministered in one capacity for a number of years. If you have found yourself looking for a new or different ministry, you might consider the more immediate parish needs listed here. These are all listed on the back of the pledge form for you or another family member to choose. Or, on your pledge form, feel free to choose and write in a ministry not listed here. All names will be passed along to the contact person listed in the ministry description.

AMBASSADOR (Information Table)

Put the face on STM by being available before and after Mass from the Information Table. Be present to meet and greet people, answer questions and direct people as needed, make people feel welcome. Serve one Mass one weekend/month.

Contact: _____

CARE MINISTRY

Our STM Care Ministry Team provides support for parishioners who have experienced the death of a loved one or who are facing some other struggle. Some of the opportunities to serve include writing cards to those who have had a loved one die, being present at visitations and funerals to offer support, helping with our annual All Souls Day Mass and reception, making phone calls on birthdays and anniversaries, and helping with other possible events throughout the year. Some training is required.

Contact: David Butel

COFFEE & DONUTS HOST

Set-up by 8am, serve after 7:30 and/or 9:30am Masses, clean-up after 9:30am Mass. Serve in the narthex on 1st or 3rd Sundays of the month. Volunteer for one or more days, as a ministry group, friends, or family.

Contact: Jill Schweiss

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (CGS)*

CGS is a Montessori-based formation program for children, preschool and up. Preschool-1st grade currently meets on Sundays, 3:30-5pm. STM plans to introduce older elementary grades soon. Catechists and assistants are needed. Training provided; meet quarterly.

Contact: Gabrielle Bash

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)*

CLOW provides children with a focused environment where they are more likely to become conscious, active listeners and responders to God's Word. Catechists, assistants, and music support are needed for 9:30am Mass when children go to More Hall, September-May (but not December). Training provided; meet quarterly.

Contact: Gabrielle Bash

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER AT STM

Volunteers must attend a one-time diocesan training class, and then meet briefly with Sharon before the first time you serve. Volunteer to serve (monthly or weekly) at the Sunday Mass you attend.

Contact: Sharon Arnett

EUCHARIST TO HOMEBOUND

Parishioners are provided the opportunity to share in the Eucharist in their homes by weekly visits by a Eucharistic minister.

Contact: Larry LeFebvre

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AT NURSING HOMES

Eucharistic Ministers at Nursing Homes visit the nursing homes within the parish boundaries to provide residents the opportunity to share in the Eucharist each week. Some training may be required.

Contact: David Butel

FAITH IN ACTION TEAM

The team oversees the different Faith in Action ministries, helping to raise awareness of Catholic Social Teaching, and providing opportunities for parishioners to be of service to people in need. This includes our monthly food drives, Back-to-School and Christmas Drives, Service to More Day, Refugee Day at the Zoo and other outreach efforts to support Community LINC and Saint Louis Parish Social Services.

Contact: David Butel

HIGH SCHOOL CORE TEAM*

Help the parish to accompany our youth in grades 9-12 and lead them closer to Christ! LifeTeen (youth group): Sundays 6-7:30pm

Contact: Lee McMahan

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS, AKA USHERS

Arrive ten minutes before Mass begins, greet people, help with the collection, hand out bulletins, and make sure the church is in order after Mass. Only on-the-job training required. This is a great way to meet other parishioners and perfect for new parishioners to become involved in the parish. Serve once a month or more at the Sunday Mass you attend. Volunteer as an individual, family, or friends.

Contact: Sharon Arnett.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CORE TEAM*

Help the parish to accompany our youth in grades 6-8 and lead them closer to Christ!

Contact: Lee McMahan

AFTER SCHOOL HANGOUTS

Mondays and Wednesdays 3:15-4:30. EDGE (youth group): Sundays 3-4:30pm.

Contact: Lee McMahan

NEIGHBORHOOD CAPTAINS

Deliver gift bag to new parishioners to welcome them into your neighborhood as well as the parish. Delivery dates and times are at your convenience and vary depending on the number of people that register in the parish each month. All neighborhoods near and far are in need of captains.

Contact: Jill Schweiss

RCIA TEAM MEMBERS

RCIA is the formation program for adults who want to become Catholic. Team members help provide a community feel throughout the program, set up for meetings, provide insight into the lessons, and help behind the scenes for the Rites. Team roles are chosen by members. Meet Thursdays, 7-8:30pm, September-May, a few Saturdays, and Holy Week services. Quarterly team meetings.

Contact: Gabrielle Bash

SCHOOL OF RELIGION (SOR)/RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN (RCIC)*

SOR/RCIC help form children 4 years to 8th grade who do not attend Catholic school. Catechists, assistants, and sponsors are needed on Wednesdays, 6-7pm, September-April. Training provided; meet quarterly.

Contact: Gabrielle Bash

*Volunteers in these ministries must follow the diocesan Safe Environment policy through virtus.org:

- Attend a Protecting God's Children (PGC) workshop
- Read and acknowledge the policy on Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM)
- Submit to a background check every five years

For more information, contact Joan Sandford, 816-942-2492 x202 or joan@stmkc.com.