

Responsibilities of the Cross-Bearer

Introductory Rites

- Process in with Processional Cross.
- Bring Sacramentary to priest when he says “Let us pray.”

Liturgy of the Word

- No special task

Liturgy of the Eucharist

- Preparation of the Altar
 - Light Candles
 - Place Sacramentary on Altar
 - Stand ready with Candle-bearers next to wooden screen
 - Move with Candle-bearers to staging area when priest stands up
 - Go to front of Altar to receive gifts when priest goes down front
 - Check that priest doesn’t need extra hand
 - Stay on tile at corner of rug. Receive empty pitchers from priest
- After receiving Communion, kneel at chair and pray
- After about a minute of prayer, clear Altar with Candle-bearers (“what you put on the Altar, you take off the Altar”)
 - Remove Sacramentary from Altar
 - Bring Sacramentary to priest when he says “Let us pray.”

Concluding Rite

- Process out with Processional Cross

After Mass, snuff out Altar Candles with snuffer.