

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH-GREECE

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**SCHEDULE FOR
LECTORS AND
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

SCHEDULE RUNS FROM: October 5/6 through December 28/29, 2024

If for any reason you are unable to minister as you are scheduled, you are asked to find a substitute or switch with another minister. A roster is attached for your reference.

Please review the roster as there have been some additions and changes to contact information.

Prayer for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Loving Father, as we gather in your service, help us to fully understand the magnificence of your Son's sacrifice for us and the wonder of your presence in the Holy Eucharist.

Guide and instill in us perseverance and a willingness to do your will.

Open our hearts to others as we invite them to your table to share your precious gifts.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit God for ever and ever. Amen.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH—GREECE, NY (REVIEWED SEPTEMBER 2024)

Many thanks to those who are willing and able to minister at our church as we continue to observe protocols keeping us all safe. To those who are not yet able to minister, please know we respect and support your decision and look forward to the day you are ready to resume serving in your Ministry. Please give the church office a call if there is any change to your status.

We will continue to provide you with this Communication Page as a guide as we carry on with our ministries, keeping the health and safety of everyone in mind. No matter your role, please be sure to review this entire document so you are well informed.

We continue to assign 3 Sacred Host EMOHCs (Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion) per Mass, one of whom will be the “runner” as determined by the Mass Leader. Each Mass will have 1 Lector. Please note there still will be no Precious Blood Ministers.

We remind you that 3 EMOHCs may not always be needed at each Mass. Requirements depend upon Priest and/or Deacon participation in the distribution of Holy Communion. Each Mass Leader will know before Mass begins how many EMOHCs are needed and, if all 3 are not needed, someone can stand down. While it would be optimum for everyone scheduled to serve, our current situation does not always support this. We continue to ask for and appreciate your patience and understanding as we minister through these unique times.

NOTE: EMOHCs have resumed our practice of wearing crucifixes while performing their duties during Mass. Since there are no Precious Blood ministers at this time, the cords for these crucifixes are all white. Please be sure to return the crucifixes to the Robing Room at the end of Mass.

PLEASE NOTE:

**** As of the date of this schedule's preparation, ministers are not required to wear masks. Please use your own discretion and wear a mask while ministering if you wish to do so. HAND SANITIZATION IS STILL REQUIRED. ****

In the absence of an altar server, it is the role of the Lector to ring the bells during consecration. Bells are rung 3 times: First time is when the priest lays his hands over both the Ciborium and Chalice (containing the bread and wine). The second time is when the priest elevates the Ciborium with the Sacred Body and the third and final time is when the priest elevates the Chalice with the Most Precious Blood.

The following is a guideline for the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMOHC) to assist you in performing your duties in this role:

1. Prior to the start of Mass, the leader will need to find out who is saying Mass, if there is a Deacon present for the Mass, if the people in the choir loft will receive communion, and who will be the “runner.” The leader will then advise the assigned ministers as to how many ministers are needed, who is the “runner,” and if communion needs to be distributed to the choir/music leader. The leader must also make sure an Usher is ready to direct the “runner” to the parishioners that need to receive. The Usher needs to carry sanitizer in case someone receives the host on the tongue. If that happens, the minister must sanitize his/her hands after giving that person the host.
2. After the priest has given the sign of peace, the assigned EMOHCs should leave their seats and stand at the foot of the altar.
3. After Father has consumed the Most Precious Blood, proceed to the altar, stop and use the sanitizer, and then stand behind the altar as you have done in the past and receive Holy Communion. If you choose to wear a mask, raise or lower your mask to receive the Body of Christ. Then, after you have received, return your mask to its position, being sure your nose and mouth are covered.
4. After you have received the Body of Christ, GO BACK TO SANITIZE YOUR HANDS AGAIN. Then return to your place at the Altar. Then you should receive the ciborium from Father/Deacon/or designated person.
5. If you are assigned to be the “runner,” please stand to Father’s left as you are facing the congregation. You will receive a small gold ciborium and then proceed down to the Usher designated to take you to the parishioners that need to receive. The “runner” should never have a large silver ciborium. The large silver ciborium remains with those at the altar.
6. After receiving their ciboria, the Eucharistic Ministers will proceed to their designated spots to distribute communion.
Note: Only the priest or deacon gives communion to the Ministers on the altar (altar servers, Lector, Eucharistic Ministers, Cantor etc.).
7. Ministers should drop the host into the communicant's hand, thus avoiding hands touching between the minister and the communicant.

8. If the choir is to receive communion, the “runner” should proceed to the choir loft and distribute communion. If the choir is busy, there is a pyx on the organ for you to place the host/s within.
9. Once the “runner” has completed distributing Holy Communion to the congregation and choir, proceed to stand behind the Priest/Deacon/EMOHC that is distributing in the center aisle. Stand behind them until their line is complete. The only time you may distribute communion in the center is if the person distributing communion in the center requests assistance with that line.
10. Once distribution is completed, take your ciborium back up to the Altar and the Deacon/or designated person will take it from you. Be sure to remove your crucifix and return it to the Robing Room (one of the EMOHCs may volunteer to do this for all serving).
11. Although you may want to join another minister and help with their line once your line is completed, please do not do so in respect of our social distancing practices. The only exceptions are if assistance is requested with the line at the center aisle, or if a minister cannot complete their line (e.g., if they run out of consecrated Hosts).
12. Remember, sanitize your hands twice before you start distributing communion.
13. If you are acting in place of the Deacon, before you go to the Tabernacle, you must first sanitize your hands, then go to the tabernacle and bring the ciboria up to the altar. Then take your place behind the priest and wait for the other EMOHCs to join you.
14. IMPORTANT: If, during the distribution of Communion, a recipient receives the host on their tongue, the EMOHC must immediately proceed to the small white table at the foot of the altar, place their ciborium on the table, sanitize their hands and then proceed back to the communion line to finish distributing communion. Note that Father carries a purificator used to cleanse his hands after distributing Communion on the tongue.

Thank you for being a volunteer and for all the service you provide to the St. John’s Parish Community.

We continue to adapt according to circumstances and new regulations, so please continue to understand that these guidelines are subject to change and may be amended at a moment’s notice. We will communicate to you any updates that may come about prior to the next schedule’s release.

*THANK YOU, EVERYONE, FOR YOUR CARE, CONCERN AND DEDICATION TO SERVE.
GOD BLESS US ONE AND ALL!*

**MASSES OF OCTOBER 5/6
27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Wayne Howard

EMOHC: Kim Buda, Dan Kabasin, Melissa Kabasin

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Mary Martha Ryan

EMOHC: Maureen Beattie, Barb Gotham, Bob Gotham

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Paul Parkman

EMOHC: Kathy Christodaro, Deb Colby, Michael Kirchoff

**MASSES OF OCTOBER 12/13
28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Jessica Wunsch

EMOHC: Kim Buda, Angela DiStefano, Chris Hoefler

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Maureen Beattie

EMOHC: Sharon Fien, Tom Fien, Mary Martha Ryan

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Richard Jacobs

EMOHC: Karen Bessette, Patricia Hoag, James Pellman

**MASSES OF OCTOBER 19/20
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Dominick Zarcone

EMOHC: Melissa Kabasin, Dan Kabasin, Jessica Wunsch

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Jonathan Verdun

EMOHC: Maria Baez, Alan Christodaro, Debbie Smith

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Joe Sansone

EMOHC: Deb Colby, Paul Parkman, Pam Tofany-Kern

**MASSES OF OCTOBER 26/27
30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Marianne Katz

EMOHC: Kim Buda, Angela DiStefano, Chris Hoefler

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Rick Paoletti

EMOHC: Maureen Beattie, Patty Borden, Mary Martha Ryan

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Patricia Hoag

EMOHC: Karen Cottorone-Young, Maureen Gardner, Michael Kirchoff

MASSES OF NOVEMBER 1

ALL SAINTS

Mass leaders will look to fill positions on this Holy Day of Obligation

MASSES OF NOVEMBER 2/3

31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Jill Finan

EMOHC: Angela DiStefano, Dan Kabasin, Melissa Kabasin

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Debbie Smith

EMOHC: Alan Christodaro, Barb Gotham, Bob Gotham

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Paul Parkman

EMOHC: Karen Bessette, Patricia Hoag, Cristyn Simone

MASSES OF NOVEMBER 9/10

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Wayne Howard

EMOHC: Kim Buda, Chris Hoefler, Jessica Wunsch

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Mary Martha Ryan

EMOHC: Sharon Fien, Tom Fien, Debbie Smith

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Richard Jacobs

EMOHC: Karen Cottorone-Young, Maureen Gardner, Donna Schmid

**MASSES OF NOVEMBER 16/17
33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Jessica Wunsch

EMOHC: Angela DiStefano, Dan Kabasin, Melissa Kabasin

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Maureen Beattie

EMOHC: Patty Borden, Carolyn Kerhaert, Ron Keiser

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Joe Sansone

EMOHC: Patricia Hoag, Michael Kirchoff, Paul Parkman

**MASSES OF NOVEMBER 23/24
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Dominick Zarcone

EMOHC: Kim Buda, Dan Kabasin, Melissa Kabasin

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Jonathan Verdun

EMOHC: Maria Baez, Barb Gotham, Bob Gotham

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Patricia Hoag

EMOHC: Kathy Christodaro, Maureen Gardner, Donna Schmidt

**MASSES OF NOVEMBER 30/DECEMBER 1
1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Marianne Katz

EMOHC: Angela DiStefano, Chris Hoefler, Jessica Wunsch

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Rick Paoletti

EMOHC: Maureen Beattie, Ron Keiser, Debbie Smith

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Paul Parkman

EMOHC: Deb Colby, James Pellman, Cristyn Simone

**MASSES OF DECEMBER 7/8
2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Jill Finan

EMOHC: Angela DiStefano, Dan Kabasin, Melissa Kabasin

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Debbie Smith

EMOHC: Carolyn Kerhaert, Barb Gotham, Bob Gotham

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Richard Jacobs

EMOHC: Karen Bessette, Kathy Christodaro, Michael Kirchoff

MASSES OF DECEMBER 14/15
3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Wayne Howard

EMOHC: Kim Buda, Chris Hoefler, Jessica Wunsch

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Mary Martha Ryan

EMOHC: Patty Borden, Sharon Fien, Tom Fien

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Joe Sansone

EMOHC: Patricia Hoag, Paul Parkman, Donna Schmidt

MASSES OF DECEMBER 21/22
4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Jessica Wunsch

EMOHC: Kim Buda, Angela DiStefano, Chris Hoefler

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Maureen Beattie

EMOHC: Maria Baez, Alan Christodaro, Ron Keiser

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Patricia Hoag

EMOHC: Karen Cottorone-Young, Cristyn Simone, Pam Tofany-Kern

MASSES OF DECEMBER 24/25

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Christmas)

Mass leaders will look to fill positions on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

MASSES OF DECEMBER 28/29

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

SATURDAY, 4:00 PM MASS

LECTOR: Dominick Zarcone

EMOHC: Chris Hoefler, Dan Kabasin, Melissa Kabasin

SUNDAY, 8:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Jonathan Verdun

EMOHC: Patty Borden, Carolyn Kerhaert, Mary Martha Ryan

SUNDAY, 10:00 AM MASS

LECTOR: Paul Parkman

EMOHC: Deb Colby, James Pellman, Donna Schmidt