

THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION
COMMENTATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Please **arrive early** enough to allow time to fill in the names of the other lectors, acolytes and music on the “Commentator Remarks” sheet. Also, read over the announcements so that you may ask about anything that you do not understand. Please check with the pastoral associate that you are pronouncing the names in the Prayers of the Faithful correctly.
2. You **do not** process in with the Presider. After the liturgical ministers’ prayer, check that the hymn numbers have not changed, and then go directly to the chairs by the ambo (lectern). The presider will signal you when to begin. Go to the ambo. Get the attention of the assembly and wait for the talking to subside before beginning the welcoming remarks.
3. After the presider’s opening prayer, begin the commentary.

At the 4:30, 9:30, and 11:30 masses, 4-7 year old children will be dismissed for Children’s Liturgy of the Word. They will come to the front of the altar, and the presider will send them off with a blessing. Wait until the last ones are by the back table before continuing with the commentary.

4. The Commentator reads the Prayers of the Faithful after the presider introduces them (after the Creed if there is one – if not, following the homily).
5. After the Prayers of the Faithful, go to the side table and take the Sacramentary and the chalice to the altar. You may ask one of the other lectors to help you with this. If there is **no deacon, stay behind the altar to arrange the gifts.**
6. When the presider or deacon has taken from the chalice, take it from him and serve the acolytes and other lectors. Consume what is left, if possible, and place it on the side table. If you cannot consume the precious blood, just place the purificator over the chalice and leave it on the table. **Do not wipe out the cup or put the purificator inside the chalice.**
7. After the closing prayer, read the announcements.
8. Process out in the recessional.