



# ALTAR SERVING

SUNDAY EVENING MASS

You may have been an Altar Server, when you were a child and think it's only something that children do. However, adults may also be Altar Servers. If you are baptised and confirmed as Roman Catholic, aged between 18 and 60 years, and regularly attend Mass, then there are several reasons why you might choose to become an Altar Server.

**Spiritual Growth:** Becoming an Altar Server can deepen your spiritual connection and understanding of our faith. By actively participating in the liturgy and assisting the priest during Mass or other religious ceremonies, you have the opportunity to engage more deeply with the rituals and traditions of our faith.

**Service to the Church:** Altar serving is a way to contribute and serve the Church. By assisting the priest and helping to create a reverent atmosphere during worship, you are supporting the religious community and participating in the important work of the Church.



**Learning and Formation:** Altar serving provides an opportunity for personal growth and learning. You can develop a deeper understanding of the liturgy, the prayers, and the symbols used during the Mass.

It can also be a means of learning about different roles within the Church and potentially discerning a vocation to the priesthood or religious life.

**Building Relationships:** Serving at the altar allows you to build relationships and connections within our faith community. You will work closely with the priest and other Altar Servers, fostering camaraderie and a sense of belonging. It can also be an avenue for making new friends who share similar values and beliefs.

**Leadership and Responsibility:** Altar serving requires discipline, attentiveness, and a sense of responsibility. By taking on this role, you develop leadership skills, learn to follow instructions, and acquire a sense of discipline and orderliness. These qualities can be valuable in other aspects of life as well.

Ultimately, the decision to become an Altar Server is a personal one, driven by a desire to deepen one's faith, serve the Church, and grow personally and spiritually. It is a role that carries responsibilities and rewards, and it can be a meaningful and fulfilling way to engage with our faith community. If you are interested in becoming an adult Altar Server and serving at the Sunday Evening Mass, then please scan the QR code (top of this page) or visit <https://www.olhc.uk/Servers.html>.