



# LIVE OUT YOUR BAPTISMAL CALL

**LITURGY BYTES** *by Michele Hall*



Please check out the information from the Diocese regarding training to be a Eucharistic Minister and Lector on the opposite page. Both ministries are needed, and it is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your own faith by serving others.

Briefly, you can choose to serve at the Mass you normally attend. Schedules are made up in two-month segments. Special times of the year (Christmas, Easter and Holy days) are not assigned, giving you the opportunity to pick your own Masses according to your schedule. A few ministry meetings are held during the year for reflection and support. Specific training to procedures followed here at Holy Cross will also be provided. The Diocese offers training only twice a year: fall and spring. So please consider this invitation as we begin the fall season.

If you are thinking about either ministry, EM or Lector, please feel free to contact Michele Hall at the Parish Office. In addition, you will be asked to speak with Fr. Michael so a formal letter on your behalf may be sent to the Bishop's Office along with registering you for one of the training dates. The second phase after the Diocesan training will be to complete your contact information and meet for a simple Holy Cross training before serving the first time.

If you feel a little shy, we also invite you to join our other ministry of being an Usher and Greeter at Mass. Again, you choose the Mass to assist at. This ministry is particularly needed at those holiday times in the Church year.

Pray about it, reflect about it, ask questions, speak with others already serving! We are here to also listen to your concerns and questions.

Have a blessed, prayerful, and joyful week ahead! ~ Michele Hall