

# Ministry Service Registration Form 2024-25

(Only for Confirmation Candidates)

Ministry Service is an opportunity for the Confirmation candidate to discover his/her important role in the Church. We know that teaching young people in the church to grow in their relationship with the Lord prepares them to serve Christ in all they do. As a result, this nurtures the community and allows our church to flourish.

All confirmation candidates are expected to complete family, community, and church ministry service each year. Church Ministry is the only one in which the candidate needs to be registered with this form. Please, carefully read the description of the Ministry options we have for Confirmation candidates from St. Gertrude:

<p><b>Kids Word:</b> The confirmation candidate will assist Kids Word instructors with the following activities: setting up the classroom, guiding children to the instruction rooms, distributing materials to the children, etc. Kids Word is a ministry that goes for 25-30 minutes approx. during the 10:30 Sunday Church Mass.</p>
<p><b>Livestreaming:</b> After training, the confirmation student will be livestreaming the 10:30 Mass</p>
<p><b>Christmas Pageant:</b> The confirmation candidate will be part of the Christmas pageant on December 24 at the 5PM Vigil Mass. Day and time of the practice TBA.</p>
<p><b>Christmas Decoration Project:</b> The confirmation candidate will help to decorate the church and remove the decorations in due time. This activity includes cleaning and storing materials.</p>
<p><b>Lent Ministry:</b> The confirmation student will be leading the stations of the cross during two Fridays of Lent and will be part of the reenacting of the stations of the cross on Good Friday.</p>
<p><b>Almoners:</b> The confirmation student and his/her parents will be interacting directly with the homeless in all Sundays of the Lenten season.</p>
<p><b>Altar Server:</b> The confirmation candidate, after proper training, will become an altar Server for Sunday 10:30 Masses. Usually, an altar server is scheduled once or twice a month (Oct through May).</p>
<p><b>Minister of the Word (Lector):</b> After training, the student will be scheduled to read the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> reading during the 10:30 Mass on one Sunday of each month (Oct through May).</p>
<p><b>Choir:</b> The confirmation candidate will be part of St. Gertrude choir. The candidate will arrive at 9:30 for the practice and perform at the 10:30 Sunday Mass. Due to the practice schedule, this ministry option is open only for NCA students.</p>
<p><b>Rel. Ed. Assistant:</b> The Confirmation Candidate will be assisting the Religious Education Program in the following activities: Setting up classrooms, helping instructors, distributing material to the children, welcoming students, etc. Due to the schedule of this ministry option, this ministry is open only for NCA students.</p>

Paying attention to the dates of service offered below, select three sets of dates for your ministry.

Service logs due date is May 1st, 2025, for both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year confirmation candidates. Option 1 is the ministry you like the most. Option 2 and/or 3 will be assigned to you if your first or even second option of preference has been assigned already to other confirmation candidates. Notice that the number of ministry service hours depends on the type of ministry chosen.

### Ministry Options and Dates

Ministry Options	Dates for Ministry	Opt. 1	Opt. 2	Opt. 3
Kids Word	09/08, 09/15, 09/22, 09/29 & 10/06			
Rel. Ed. Assistant	09/08, 09/15, 09/22, 09/29 & 10/06			
Kids Word	10/06, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27 & 11/03			
Choir	10/06, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27 & 11/03			
Rel. Ed. Assistant	10/06, 10/20, 10/27, 11/03 & 11/10			
Kids Word	11/03, 11/10, 11/17, & 11/24			
Choir	11/03, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24 & 12/01			
Rel. Ed. Assistant	11/10, 11/17, 11/24, 12/08 & 12/15			
Christmas Pageant	Presentation 12/24 & Practice TBA			
Christmas Decoration Project	Setting up & Removing decorations Dates TBA			
Kids Word	12/08, 12/15, 01/05, 01/12 & 01/19			
Choir	12/08, 12/15, 01/05, 01/12 & 01/19			
Rel. Ed. Assistant	01/05, 01/12, 01/26, 02/02, 02/09			
Kids Word	01/26, 02/02, 02/09, 02/16 & 02/23			
Choir	01/26, 02/02, 02/09, 02/16 & 02/23			
Rel. Ed. Assistant	02/23, 03/02, 03/09, 03/16 & 03/23			
Kids Word	03/02, 03/09, 03/16, 03/23 & 03/30			
Choir	03/02, 03/09, 03/16, 03/23 & 03/30			
Rel. Ed. Assistant	03/30, 04/06, 04/27 & 05/04			
Kids Word	03/30, 04/06, 04/27 & 05/04			
Almoners	03/09, 03/16, 03/23, 03/30 & 04/06			
Lent Ministry	03/14 & 03/28 at 6:30. Way of the Cross Presentation 04/18 at 3 PM. Way of the Cross practice 04/17 5:30 PM			
Minister of the Word	Once a month (October through May).			
Altar Server	Once or twice a month (October through May).			
Livestreaming	Once or twice a month 10:30 Sunday Mass.			

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please, return this form asap. Ministry placement is based on a first come first served basis.