

# CROSS BEARER

1. Approach altar, stop and bow. Retrieve the Processional Cross from the sanctuary and go to the back of the Church via the side aisle.
2. Lead the entrance procession up the center isle when the congregation starts singing the entrance hymn. When you reach the front of the altar proceed around the left side of the Altar and up into the sanctuary and insert the Processional Cross into the stand. Return to your seat.
3. During the offertory song and offertory collection, come forward to the sanctuary from the handrail side, retrieve the cross and go to the back of the Church. Then lead the offertory procession forward. When you reach the front of the altar proceed around the left side of the Altar and up into the sanctuary and insert the Processional Cross into the stand. Go to the front of the altar steps, and bow in unison with the Gift Bearers. Then return to your seat.
4. At the end of Mass, when Father and the Deacon approach to reverence the Altar, come forward, retrieve the Processional Cross and lead the recessional procession to the back of the Church.
5. Return the Processional Cross to its stand after the people exit the Church area.

## **NOTE:**

**If you are unable to fulfill your ministry as Cross Bearer at the appointed Mass time, you are responsible for finding a replacement. If you cannot find a replacement, please contact the parish office.**