

The background of the image is a photograph of a church sanctuary. In the foreground, several rows of dark wood pews with light-colored wooden tops are visible, arranged in a semi-circle. The floor is covered in a light-colored, textured carpet. In the background, a large, curved wall made of light-colored stone tiles serves as the altar wall. A crucifix is mounted on this wall. Below the altar wall, there is a dark wooden altar table with a blue cloth and some floral arrangements. To the left of the altar, there is a small potted plant and a red fire extinguisher. To the right, there is a red pillar and another potted plant. The ceiling is white with recessed lights and a circular chandelier with three white shades.

We Are Called To Lead & Serve Our Community At Mass

**3rd & 4th Grade Student Leaders
Needed for November 6th Youth Mass.**

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November Youth Mass

So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. ~ Galatians 6:10

At the upcoming Youth Mass, November 6th, 2022 at 10:30am, students in **3rd and 4th grades** are being called to Lead and Serve our community. Their participation in Mass as lectors, ushers, choir members, candle bearers or gift bearers, gives them an opportunity to practice their faith and is a great encouragement to our parish family.

Please let Stephanie McDermot (mcdermots@stjoetosa.com) know what role (as seen below) your child would like to fulfill by **Sunday, October 30th.** Instructions & materials will be distributed that week for students to review. Student leaders will also be asked to arrive at church by 10:00am to review prior to Mass starting.

Roles for Student Leaders:

- **Lector:** Students should be strong readers. They will be asked to walk up with Father when Mass begins, read one of three items (1st reading, 2nd reading or prayers of the faithful) and exit with him when Mass has ended. We would like to pair up two students for each item, resulting in us needing 6 lectors.
- **Usher:** Students will assist adult ushers in welcoming people to Mass, distributing orders of worship and bulletins, and taking the collection.
- **Choir Member:** Students will sing with the adult choir under the direction of our music minister JJ Anshus. Students must arrive by 9:45am to review music with choir prior to Mass.
- **Candle Bearer:** Students will walk in and out with Father carrying one of two large candles. This is different from being an acolyte.
- **Gift Bearer:** Students will take up the gifts (the hosts, and wine) at the appropriate time. They are encouraged to sit toward the back of the two sections off the main aisle in church.