## All Saints Catholic Church Altar Server Application Form

Altar Server Name:			
Parent / Guardian Name:			
Address:			
Telephone #:			
Email Address:			
Current School /Grade Level?			
Birth Date:			
Age (must be at least 7 years of age)			
First Holy Communion?	Yes	_ or	No

Many parishes have Altar Servers start as young as seven years old and some of these continue serving well into their seventies. All people who have completed their First Holy Communion and are of good faith are welcome and encouraged to become and Altar Server. All that is required is a desire to serve at the Altar of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Each candidate must complete and application and a period of training before serving. Applicants will receive appropriate training to get started. During the training servers will learn basic information about the Catholic Church and the Mass. Servers will observe others and learn how to carry out specific tasks while serving at the Altar.

An altar server must be willing and interested to participate in this ministry on their own accord and not by parental or peer pressure. A reluctant or disinterested server is a distraction to the celebrant, other servers, and the entire community. Similarly, parents must undertake an active role in supporting their child in this ministry by ensuring that their altar server arrives to their assigned Mass on time. Parents are also encouraged to serve as Mass Coaches. In addition, Altar Servers must:

- have a strong desire to serve at the Altar of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,
- be an active member of the parish community.
- believe in the teachings of The Holy Catholic Church,
- have already made their First Confession and their First Holy Communion,
- know all the prayers of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass from memory See training manual,
- know how to properly genuflect,
- know how to make the sign of the Cross,
- know how to receive Holy Communion in the approved manner,
- know the Real Presence of Jesus the Christ begins at the moment of the consecration, know that Jesus Christ endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsists.
- At least 7 years old by November 30 of commissioning year.

I authorize my child to participate in the All Saints Catholic Church Altar Server program and I am willing to support my child in all aspects of this ministry.	Date
(Parent/Guardian signature)	

