



The Altar Guild Society



*Take care of Our Lord's house, in
imitation of His Blessed Mother.*

Parishioners of St. Mary's by the Sea are encouraged to join the spiritual and corporal works of the Altar Guild Society.

The Altar Guild receives Holy Communion as a group at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on the first Sunday of each month.

Meetings are held in the Family Room at 12:00 noon on the first Monday of each month, from September through May. The meetings include recitation of the Rosary and are followed with a potluck lunch.

If you work during the day, you can still become a prayer member and are welcome to attend the 9:00 a.m. First Sunday Mass with the rest of the Society.

Father Quang Vinh Chu is our spiritual guide.

Annual membership dues are \$10.00

Responsibilities of Altar Guild Members include:

- **Care of the Altar and Sanctuary:**

Linens and altar cloths
Priests Vestments
Altar Boy surplices and cassocks
Polishing Sacred Vessels
Altar and Votive Candles and holders

- **Cleaning:**

Weekly cleaning of the body of the Church, choir loft, statues, pews, railings & windows.
Flower care: watering, trimming, replacing old plants. Done weekly and as needed.
Clean Holy Water fonts and refill with Holy Water.



- **Place donation envelopes in pew racks when needed.**
- **Decorate Church for Christmas, Easter and Special Holy Days.**
- **Assist at Parish Functions :** Pancake Breakfasts, Special Dinners, Bake Sales, Special fund raisers.
- **Sponsor an annual retreat for the ladies of the parish**
- **Attend Rosaries and Masses for deceased members and/or for their families.**
- **Volunteer time for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament**