## **Parish EMHC Cathedral Communion Instructions**

Thank you for participating in your parish's Confirmation Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew. When you arrive, please meet the Cathedral Coordinator at the back of the church. The Coordinator will give you a name tag and review the procedure.

## **Instructions**

*1.* After the Sign of Peace, line up in order (hosts first) followed by chalice ministers on the North side of the sanctuary. Bishop's Cathedra (chair) side. Please sanitize your hands.

**2.** Once the Bishop receives the Precious Blood from his chalice, enter the sanctuary (hosts followed by chalices) and line up behind the Bishop and clergy.

*3.* The Bishop will distribute the Body of Christ to all ministers with the Deacon following with the Precious Blood.

4. The Bishop and Deacon will then hand out the ciboria and chalices. Stay in position until all have received their vessels.

5. When the Bishop proceeds to his position, all are to follow into assigned positions.

- There are yellow stickers on the floor where the hosts are to stand with the position written on it. Example: **H3**
- There are red stickers on the floor where the chalices are to stand with the position written on it. Example: C2
- All even numbers are on the north side and odds are on south side.

## After Communion

- Take your vessel back to the sacristan at the credence table and return to your seat.
  - If you distributed the Body of Christ, hand your ciborium to the sacristan and return to your seat.
  - If chalices are not yet empty, extraordinary ministers should distribute the remaining Precious Blood to one another just as they would to other communicants.
  - Once all chalices are empty, hand them to the sacristan and return to your seat.
- Do not take your vessels back to the altar.

## Important

Unfortunately, you will not know what position you have been assigned until you arrive. This is because Priests and Deacons sometimes arrive unexpectedly. Please be aware that if this does happen, you may be asked to step aside to let all clerics serve. Priests and Deacons are **Ordinary** Ministers of Holy Communion while we, the lay faithful, are **Extraordinary** Ministers of Holy Communion.

Thank you again for your help in ensuring a well-organized and reverent celebration for your parish.