

***Prayer of a minister of
Communion to the
Sick and Homebound***

*Gracious God, I am in
your Sacred Presence
about to take the Bread of
Life to those who are
unable to participate in
the parish celebration of
the Eucharist.*

*Thank you for the honor
to carry Christ to them.
Bless my hands that they
may be fitting
instruments of this Holy
Visitation.*

*Bless my heart, that I may
prayerfully carry the
Bread of Life to those in
need. May my attitude,
my reverence and my
concern for others be of
Your divine heart.*

*I ask this in the name of
our Lord, Jesus Christ,
who lives with You and
the Holy Spirit now and
ever. Amen.*

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Outreach Ministry
To
Parishioners
Who are
Sick or Homebound



A Pastoral Care Ministry
St. Thomas More Parish





What we do

Members of this ministry bring the Eucharist to a homebound person on a regular, mutually agreed on time, usually once a week. The person may be living in a private home, a Group Home (AFH) , an Assisted Living Facility (ALF), Nursing Home (NH) or hospitalized at Edmonds-Swedish Hospital, Edmonds.

Training is provided by St. Thomas More.

A background check is required as well as Safe Environment training directed by the Archdiocese of Seattle..

Attendance at an annual workshop and retreat is highly encouraged.

Ministry Expectations

How do I become a member of the Pastoral Care Ministry?

An interest in the committee can be indicated on the Stewardship of Talent Card or at the parish registration; or you may contact the parish office, ministry leader directly.

What defines an “active” member of the ministry?

After having completed the background check and Archdiocesan Safe Environment Training, the completion of occasional or regular pastoral visits and attendance at the ministry retreat define an active member of the ministry.

How do I end my membership in the ministry?

Notify the committee leader or the parish office that you are no longer interested in being a member. If you are actively visiting a person or community, if possible stay in service until a replacement can be found. When a client passes it is a time to break-away or take a break.

What special talents/characteristics are desired in a member of the ministry?

Having a patience, compassion, good listening skills, cultural literacy and being an open-minded and non judgmental is important.

What is the time commitment?

This is usual dependent on the client’s needs. Some time in prayer prior to the visit, acquiring the Eucharist and time with individual varies.

What can I expect in the way of support ’training for my role in the ministry ?

Ministry training, group enrichment gathering, liturgical publications, pixs and consecrated host provided. You are encouraged to share any concerns or questions you may have with the ministry leader.

