## St. Maur's Parish



## **Code of Behaviour for Altar Servers**

As an Altar server, I will:

- Always remember that the primary reason for serving is to praise God and to help the parish community worship better.
- Always remember that the church is a sacred place for prayer and worship, and will not talk or run while in it.
- Show respect for others at Mass by behaving appropriately and not distracting others
- Pay attention, listen and say the responses during Mass so that I can carry out my duties well.
  This means no talking, whispering, fidgeting or looking around while on the altar.
- Behave in a respectful way at all times to the priests, parents, other altar servers and parishioners.
- Be kind and helpful to others serving with me especially new altar servers.
- Be in the sacristy at least 10 minutes before the beginning of Mass.
- Sign the book in the sacristy every time I serve.
- Find a substitute, if possible, for the times that I am scheduled to serve and cannot make it.
- Be neat and tidy when serving Mass.
- Attend any training sessions for altar servers that are arranged in the parish.
- Will not use my mobile phone while in the church and will keep it switched off.
- Will never use bad language.
- Will not chew chewing gum or eat in church

Signed: (Altar Server)
Signed: (Parent/Guardian)
Date:
Julio