## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION

St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Midland, TX



## Requirements for Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC)

This is not a ministry to be taken lightly. You will be holding in your hands the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Think for a moment on how awesome that is!

The following qualifications are necessary for application as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) at St. Stephen's:

- Be a practicing Catholic who has received the sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist)
- Be Sixteen (16) years of age or older
- Be a registered parishioner at St. Stephen's Catholic Church
- Possess a proper understanding of Christ's Real Presence in consecrated bread and wine
- Be a participating member in the sacramental life of St. Stephen's parish
- Be commissioned by Fr. Bala and certified by the Bishop upon his request
- Be willing to attend mandatory training programs
- Certification is effective for 3 years and must be renewed at that time

EMHC must be recommended by the pastor to the bishop who accepts this recommendation for service for a THREE YEAR period. EMHC are formed and trained for their ministry and are renewed in their ministry training annually (GIRM 101).

If you feel you meet these qualifications AND you feel a calling from the Holy Spirit to participate in the privilege of this ministry, we would welcome your application to serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at St. Stephen's!

Applications may be obtained in the Church foyer, at the Parish Office, or online at https://ststephensmidland.com/extraordinaryministerofholycommunion

Please feel free to discuss your interest and desire to serve with Fr.Bala.

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