

Helpful Reminders – Homebound Ministry

- **Pray before Visits**
- **Carry Host in a pyx and place the pyx in a burse** (and wear it around your neck until Communion is distributed) – if anyone needs a Burse please let Brian (Pastoral Associate) know
- Rite of Communion – please use one of the two options. Talk to Brian (Pastoral Associate) if you have any questions.
- Prayer Shawls available for distribution
- Minister may also receive Communion during Communion Service
- **Utmost respect and reverence for the presence of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament**
- After obtaining the Blessed Sacrament – **you MUST go directly to who you minister to.** Please avoid delays. Blessed Sacrament may not be stored at your house for any reason.
- Please coordinate a backup minister and share who your backup is with Brian (Pastoral Associate)
- **If there any concerns about those you minister to not being able to consume the Host – please don't distribute** and say the prayer of Spiritual Communion instead.
- **Wait for the recipient of the Host to swallow the Host.**
- Any unused Hosts may be consumed or returned to the Tabernacle
- Remember that the Divine Presence in the Blessed Sacrament is the same regardless of the size of the Host. **An empty pyx should always be purified after each use (in case of crumbs).** Please see instructions in guidelines.
- If the person does ask for a Priest, please contact the Parish Office at 651-645-9389
- Please read through Guidelines to refresh yourself every so often.
- **Be observant for signs of maltreatment and abuse of a vulnerable adult** – see handout
- **You are not required to perform any personal tasks for those you minister to.** If needed, share senior resources handout with them.
- If there are any questions or concerns contact Brian (Pastoral Associate)
- **Pray after each visit**