

## Diocese of Salt Lake City Office of Worship

## Minister of Hospitality

*"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you"* - Romans 15:7.

The minister of hospitality (greeter or usher) is often the first point of contact when someone enters the church building. Tasked with promoting a sense of welcome and belonging to all, the hospitality minister helps promote unity with the community. Ministers of hospitality serve, by their deliberate words and actions, to proclaim God's eternal welcome and all-embracing love.

Discretion and appropriate decorum are the hallmarks of a minister of hospitality. Those called to this ministry should be active and faithful members of the Church, have respect for others, the ability to make eye contact, smile and talk to strangers; a love for one's parish community, a basic understanding of the liturgy and above all the ability to see face of Christ in all they greet.

Duties include welcoming people at the door, providing necessary books and aids, helping them find their places, taking up and counting the collection.

Training and on-going formation should be provided by the parish as there are things to be aware of, procedures to know, and appropriate ways to handle certain situations. In meeting this requirement, each pastor/director of sacramental ministry is encouraged to take advantage of the workshops and resources made available through the Office of Worship.