

Dress Code

*Bring a change of clothes. See original message below from Fr Lankeit.

From: Lankeit, Rev. John
Sent: Sat 7/31/2010 2:40 PM
To: Mincolla, Chris
Subject: Dress code for all non-clergy who serve at the altar

Dear Chris,

Effective by next weekend at the latest (August 7/8), the following dress code changes are to be put into effect for all non-clergy who serve at the altar, whether adults, youth or children. Please see further explanations at end of email designated by asterisks.

(1) Hair*

Males - clean cut, with no spiked hair, no shaggy or long hair, no mohawks or "faux"-hawks, no unnatural coloring.
Females - long hair must be secured in a "bun" so it does not hang down and touch the vestment; no pony-tails, no unnatural coloring.

(2) Makeup - None Allowed. This includes lipstick.

(3) Jewelry

Males & Females - no visible jewelry whatsoever (this includes rings, bracelets of any kind [including saint bracelets], earrings, piercings, watches, etc.)

(4) Clothing under vestments**

Males & Females - black slacks or dark khakis (no jeans), black socks, black (or very dark) dress shoes. No open toed shoes or sandals.

Please communicate to the servers that, if they show up to serve in violation of any of these guidelines, they will not be permitted to serve at that Mass.

If the servers or parents have comments or questions about this policy, please invite them to contact me at the office. I will be happy to talk with them.

Thanks, in advance, for communicating this to all involved parties. Keep up the good work.

Fr. Lankeit

*Hair: Just as in the military, standard, conservative hairstyle is a sign of discipline and unity, so too must it be the case for those who serve at the altar. The level of reverence and discipline for such visible individuals must be high.

**Clothing: I understand that shorts were allowed in the past. Last week, when one of the boys genuflected at the foot of the altar his entire bare calf was exposed from knee to the top of his black socks. You can remind the servers that I am not asking them to wear anything more than the priests do.

Noise Level in the Sacristy

-----Original Message-----

From: Father Lankeit (Outside)

Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 2010 1:16

PM

To: Chris Mincolla

Subject: Silence in the Sacristy

Chris,

The sacristy is getting far too noisy and I need you to be the one to set the tone for the servers (adult and younger) to maintain a reverent atmosphere in the sacristy at all times. Specifically, if there is any talking, I'd like it to be done at the level of a whisper. There are times when people clearly forget where they are and are talking in loud voices, joking around, etc.

Please pass this on, particularly, to the other adult men who serve so they can assist you in reestablishing a very quiet, reverent sacristy.

Thanks,

Fr. Lankeit

Other information

The MC or Assistant MC Head Server of the Eucharist (HSE) sets the Altar in the absence of a Deacon or Acolyte. The Sub-MC will fill in if either of the first two MC's is absent. Ordinarily these positions will rotate throughout the schedule accordingly.

Please find a substitute from the substitute list if you are unable to make it. You should either do this through the school office or by calling someone on the Sub-List. If there is not a Deacon or MC the Priest will set the altar. These are the only students that should serve at school Masses. This list of servers and the schedule will be expanded after the August Altar Server Classes.