



Our Lady Help of Christians Church

WHAT IS CHILDREN'S LITURGY?

Children's Liturgy aims to provide children with an adapted Liturgy of the Word during the 9:15 am Mass on Sundays. We encourage the children to listen to the word of God within a safe place. We hope this space gives parents and carers a space to pray with their children. Each week we have an interactive Bible story, followed by a craft activity.

WHO IS CHILDREN'S LITURGY FOR?

Children's Liturgy is for children who are aged 0 to 5 years old and are accompanied by an adult. We know little ones like to chatter, and move around, so we have the space for this and we do not expect children to be silent.

WHEN DOES IT TAKE PLACE?

Children's Liturgy takes place at the Sunday 9:15 am Mass, during term time. The children leave the main body of the church, accompanied by an adult, before the Liturgy of the Word and come back during the offertory to continue their participation in the Mass. It's normally 15-20 minutes.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are growing our liturgy team. The more helpers we get on the team, the lighter the load for everyone. We would really love to hear from you; please consider joining the team.

What does a leader do?

You set up the hall ready for the children to come out. You read the Bible story to the group and lead the prayer. You will guide the children, and adults, with the craft activity. Children's Liturgy has been running for many years at our Church. This means we have so many resources prepared ready to be used. We welcome new ideas too; you'll be able to change activities and add new ideas. If you feel called to join us, know that we have the materials to support you.

What does a helper do?

No special skills or knowledge required!

You can help the leader to set up the hall before Mass and clear away afterwards. The helpers' role is to be a spare pair of hands. You will help to tidy the craft materials at the end and guide the children back into the Church to re-join the congregation during the Offertory.

We welcome young helpers, perhaps you're looking for Duke of Edinburgh volunteer hours?

If you are a parent/carer who often attends Children's liturgy, why not consider offering to help us?

Interested or would like to find out more please email Rosanna: rosannalene@gmail.com
Any questions? Contact the Parish Office or Rosanna.