

St. Johns Cathedral Sanctuary Guild Opportunities

Ministry Title	Sanctuary Guild
Our Mission Statement	Any public event or celebration requires much behind-the-scenes activity. If the event is to have dignity and meaning, there must be care and preparation. Liturgy is the church's expression of worship, an evolving demonstration of its relationship with God. We use rituals and symbols to express our faith in the God revealed to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Even though we may regularly attend the various liturgies of the church, many of us are unaware of the work that is involved in preparation. We may assume that somehow, by some miracle, the table is set, vestments are laid out, and linens are ironed. At St. John's Cathedral, it is a dedicated group known as the Sanctuary Guild. They faithfully care for our holy things and even arrange the flowers.
Responsibilities and Duties	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Attend meetings (whenever possible) 2. Take at least two services every month (including cleaning or linens if possible) 3. Help decorate for special days – Palm Sunday, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas 4. Attend periodic refresher classes – to be advised of any changes made (generally to be scheduled after regular meeting) 5. New members should attend training sessions offered as arranged by training chairman. 6. Serve with experienced members for at least a month, for any service, before taking that service alone. Two Guild members usually staff each service.
Possible Opportunities for Service (Before choosing an area of service, you may want to shadow an experienced guild member for 2 or 3 months.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday morning services • 12:10 services during the week • Special services • Cleaning • Linens • Flowers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ High altar (HA) – Sunday (arranged Friday or Saturday AM) ○ Cummings – Sunday (arranged Friday or Saturday AM) ○ Monday greens – breaking down HA flowers into arrangements for shut ins. (You would not be responsible for delivery) ○ Help with or take Chairmanship of Palm Sunday, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Decorating
Ministry Co-Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lynda Erwin (ljerwin@bellsouth.net) (904-534-3407) • Faye Wisner (fwisner@comcast.net) (904-388-2446)
Benefits	As a lay-person, you are an active participant in the worship service of our Lord. You enhance the significance of each service by fulfilling a necessary and vital liturgical function. Through your work you also gain an in-depth knowledge of the liturgy and forge relationships with a great group of people.