

CUSTOMARY FOR INTERCESSORS

SAINT THOMAS OF CANTERBURY EPISCOPAL CHURCH Temecula, California

The Intercessor is the one who leads the Prayers of the People during the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. The Prayers of the People are either printed in their entirety and found in a three-ring binder in the section marked for the specific service or found marked in the Book of Common Prayer on the Ambo. When there is a baptism, the Intercessor will generally lead the Prayers for the Candidate. On the First Sunday of Advent and the First Sunday in Lent, when the Great Litany is used, the Prayers of the People are not used.

SCHEDULING:

- ◆ Intercessors are scheduled by the Church Office staff in order to minimize the possibility that anyone will be scheduled for more than one liturgical ministry on a given Sunday.
- ◆ The schedule is available by going to the church website (www.stthomastemecula.org) and clicking on 'Server Schedule.' Also you may call the church office to get scheduling information.
- ◆ If you are not available to serve on a Sunday or Sundays that have yet to be scheduled, please notify the Church office as soon as possible.
- ◆ If you are not available to serve on a Sunday or Sundays that have already been scheduled, please obtain your own substitute and notify the Church office as soon as possible.

BEFORE THE SERVICE:

- ◆ Arrive at the church at least ten minutes before the beginning of the service to review the Prayers of the People located on the Ambo. Also, check the 'Liturgical Ministers' section of the Bulletin to make sure that you are the one listed for that service. If your name is not listed, please check with the person whose name appears on the schedule to resolve any discrepancies.

DURING THE SERVICE:

- ◆ The Intercessor is to go to the Ambo following the Nicene Creed.
- ◆ Make sure that the microphone is adjusted properly for your use.
- ◆ At the end of the Prayers of the People, please remain at the Ambo until the Celebrant says
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Concluding Collect; then return to your seat.

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