

# St Ives Parish Church

## Altar Servers

Altar servers assist the priest at the altar during the Eucharist; it's a real privilege to serve our Lord in this way.

### What do they do?

Servers work as part of a serving team. Team work is an important part of serving at the altar and servers have different roles within the team.

Some of the roles are:

**Acolyte** - Acolytes carry the candle-torches. They work in pairs and escort the crucifer.

**Crucifer** - The Crucifer carries the big cross and leads processions in church.

### Thurifer -

Each Sunday at the 9.45am Eucharist we use incense - one of the servers will be responsible for the thurible. This server is called the thurifer.

**We are really keen to build up a team of servers to assist at our services - Being a server doesn't mean you have to come every Sunday!!**

**The team welcomes trainee servers from the age of seven upwards. If you are interested please [contact](#) a member of the parish team.**