

## **WORSHIP PARTICIPANT FUNCTIONS**

### **Flowers for Worship**

Two matching bouquets of flowers decorate the altar every Sunday except during Lent.

Members and friends of St. Francis donate the flowers for several reasons: to honor a friend, a parent or a significant life occasion, or to honor God by beautifying the altar. A number of people select a special date months in advance. If the flowers are a memorial or in honor of someone or an event, contact the church office so the information is in the Times.

The flowers can be given in several ways.

Order bouquets from a florist and pick them up or arrange to have them delivered and place them in the altar vases by 10:15 Sunday morning. They can also be delivered and placed on Friday, before 5 PM. The church is not normally open on Saturday.

Buy flowers from a florist, at Safeway across the street or at the flower market, arrange them and bring them to church to arrange in the vases. You can arrange them in the kitchen if it is available. On Sunday the kitchen can be used after hospitality hour, but the flowers should be in place by 10:15 because the sacristy will be needed for the pastors and other participants. In any case, bring tools if you need them and clean up afterwards.

The church has two different pairs of vases, one white ceramic and the other silver. Both sets are in the bottom left of the closet in the sacristy. If you have a question about colors of flowers, check with the Parish Administrator or a pastor about the color of the day, which determines the color of the altar cloth.

After the service, you may take the flowers or give them away and put the vases away or leave the flowers for use later, often for the senior center program on Wednesday.

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