# PERSONNEL POLICY GUIDELINES FOR FAMILIES of PARISHES JOB DESCRIPTION

## I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Position Title: DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP

or PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR WORSHIP or DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP & SACRAMENTS

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Status: Full time, Exempt, 12 month

Reports to: Pastor

## II. PRIMARY FUNCTION OF THIS POSITION

The Director of Worship serves the Family of Parishes by coordinating all the liturgical and sacramental aspects of parish life. He/she is a close collaborator with the pastor as a member of the Family of Parishes Leadership Team, and supports the pastor and other clergy in the ministries of sanctifying, teaching, and governing.

## III. POSITION CONTENT

# A. MAJOR POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES AND REGULAR ACTIVITIES

## 1. Sanctifying

a. Ensure the liturgical and sacramental celebrations of the Family of Parishes are well prepared and celebrated

## 2. Teaching

- a. May oversee or assist in the formation and preparation of candidates for sacramental celebrations
- b. Direct efforts in liturgical catechesis for the faithful
- c. Oversee the formation and training of lay liturgical ministers

## 3. Governing

- a. Assist the pastor in establishing policies and guidelines for worship and sacraments
- b. Supervise other liturgical and sacramental staff including music ministers, sacramental preparation staff, sacristans, et al.
- c. Serve as staff liaison to the Worship and Sacraments Commission and other consultative bodies

## IV. POSITION SPECIFICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

# A. SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, AND/OR ABILITIES (SKAs)

- Must have a knowledge and appreciation of the Church's liturgical tradition as well as current liturgical practice
- Must be able to supervise other ministerial staff
- Must be collaborative with other members of the Family of Parishes Leadership Team and other staff, as well as parishioner volunteers
- Familiarity with general office software, as well as ministry scheduling software, music notation software, or design software is desirable
- Communication skills (both written and oral)
- Willingness to learn through continuing education, particularly in the areas of worship and sacraments.

## B. EDUCATION, TRAINING AND/OR EXPERIENCE

- A Master's Degree in liturgical studies, sacramental theology, pastoral ministry, or theological studies is preferred; in lieu of an Master's, a Bachelor's Degree in theology/pastoral ministry or a related field with advanced study in liturgical or sacramental theology is acceptable.
- Experience in parish ministry, especially in the areas of liturgical ministry, music ministry, or sacramental preparation is helpful.
- Experience supervising other ministerial staff is helpful.

## V. RESPONSIBILITY FOR QUANTIFIABLE MEASURES

Preparation and administration of annual worship budget for the Family of Parishes.

#### VI. WORKING ENVIRONMENT

The Director of Worship works in office space along with other members of the staff and leadership team for the Families of Parishes. He/she participates in regular meetings and activities of the staff and team, and meets regularly with the pastor. Regular weekend and evening work hours may be required.

#### VII. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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