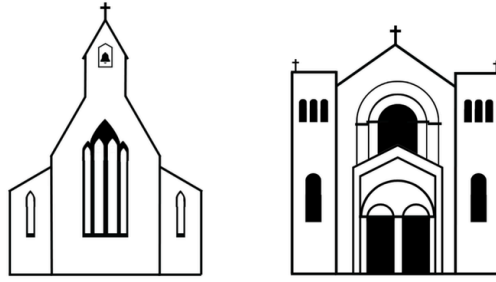


# Extraordinary Minister

## St Mary's and St Colman's



## St Mary's St Kilda East and St Colman's Balaclava Volunteer Role: **Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist** Supervisor: **Father Jerome Santamaria**

### POSITION DESCRIPTION

To assist the presiding priest in the distribution of Holy Communion.

### ACTIVITIES

- Dresses neatly and modestly.
- Arrive in a timely manner prior to the commencement of the Mass, (about 15 minutes prior to Mass) allowing enough time for preparation and set up.
- Participates fully, actively and consciously in the liturgy acknowledging the real presence of Christ.
- Comes forward at the designated time and stands beside or behind the altar.
- Receives Holy Communion.
- While distributing the host, holds up the host to the communicant and addresses them with the words, "The Body of Christ", and allows the communicant to reply, "Amen." The communicant chooses to receive the host in their hand or on their tongue.
- If distributing from the chalice, holds up the chalice to the communicant and addresses them with the words, "The Blood of Christ", and allows the communicant to reply, "Amen." After the communicant takes a sip of the consecrated wine uses the purifier to wipe the chalice.
- Returns the ciborium, chalice or sacred vessel to the presiding priest and returns to the body of congregation.
- If requested, assists in training new Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.
- May assist the priest in distributing Holy Communion to those who are housebound, sick, frail/aged in hospitals or aged care facilities.

### DATE OF TRAINING

In 2025 our training session for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers for both St Mary's and St Colman's Parishes will be held on: **1st February 2025 2.30pm @ St Mary's**

### SAFEGUARDING

A Police Check is required for Extraordinary Ministers who also visit the sick. Additional training may be required by hospitals/aged-care facilities.

**Note:** *This Activity Statement is an attachment to the Volunteer Overview and must be read in conjunction with this.*

*I have received, reviewed and fully understand the Activity Statement which is an attachment to the Volunteer Overview and understand that these two documents form the Volunteer Position Description. By signing the Volunteer Overview, you are acknowledging responsibility for the satisfactory execution of the activities outlined.*