

## St. Patrick Catholic Church, Mount Dora, FL

**CONFIRMATION - Saturday — 3/29/2025 @ 1000**

**Sacristan notes for Confirmation with the Bishop v033125**

[Link Celebration of the Eucharist at which the Bishop Presides and The Order of Confirmation Within Mass documents.](#)

Given all positions are filled by the clergy, the teachers, and those being Confirmed, there is no need to post in MSP. Anna Gazdecki and Marisol Rodriguez ID'd the Gift Bearers, Ushers, EMHCs, Altar Servers, and Lectors. Michael Orola scheduled Richard Rismiller to LiveStream.

Confirmation practice: 3/26/2025 @ 1900.

Since the Mass time is outside normal hours: Set AC temp to 72° on controls 1 & 2. Push override button 2x on controls 3 & 4.

The Bishop's Master of Ceremonies (John Malloy) has the final say. ([He did not attend in 2024 and 2025; the Bishop overrode several of the norms.](#))

Preferably 6 Altar Servers (may actually be less); each Server with a specific task. The MC will guide them. Thurifer (Server carrying incense), cross bearer, 2 lanterns/candle, miter (hat), and crozier (staff). Reserve pew for Servers. ID a Server to carry the Paschal Candle for the Confirmands procession. ([4 Servers attended in 2024: 1 Crucifix, 2 oil candles, 1 holding nothing for procession and recession. 5 Servers attended in 2025 with 2 holding nothing.](#))

1st Reader - Spanish Student; Psalm - Cantor; Gospel - English/Deacon; PoF - English/Deacon.

Number of Deacons: Deacon Jose (Word in 2025) & Deacon Chuck (Altar in 2025).

Number of Priests on the Altar: Bishop Noonan, Fr. Hank, Fr. Teody, & Fr. Gianni.

Number of chairs on the Altar: 6.

Confirmands are to process, led by the Paschal Candle, prior to the liturgical procession. Instructors reserved 7 pews on L&R middle for ~50 ([Confirmands were seated prior and had photos with the Bishop taken at 0930 in 2024 & 2025. They did not process or recess.](#))

220 attended in 2024; 260+ in 2025. The service took approximately 75 minutes.

[Link script of the Mass.](#)

### **For the Sacristan**

Bishop Noonan uses his Missal. ([The St. Patrick Sunday Missal was used in 2024 & 2025.](#))

Vestments are usually red, unless the day requires another color (such as a solemnity, an obligatory memorial or Advent and Lent). For 2025 the vestments will be violet for Lent. ([The Bishop prescribed Red in 2024 and 2025.](#))

Use pin-on mics. Place the hand held mic on the Altar side table. Check all microphone batteries.

Use the Readings of the Day. (Had to print Spanish from USCCB.) For 3/29/2025 use Lectionary #242.

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/032925.cfm>

Saturday of the Third Week of Easter.

Set-up for Mass: 4 ciboria + Presider's ciborium, 4 cups with wine poured. Total 9 [6 clergy + 3 EMHCs {Confirmation Teachers}] ministers distributing. [Host positions 2, P, C, 7, HH; Cup positions 3, 4, 5, 6.] Advise any Spanish Cup ministers to pick-up a purificator.

An usher should be available to accompany HH.

Use one large sized host for the Presider. A single chalice is sufficient. Place a second Presider's purificator and a second corporal on the tray. Ask the instructors if gluten free hosts are needed and have them alert Fr. Hank of GF distribution.

Use 100% new/unconsecrated hosts? No, OK to include consecrated hosts in the Tabernacle per Fr. Hank in 2024.

Fr. Hank will assist in giving Communion to the Confirmands.

Move the Paschal Candle to the Baptismal Font. It is to lead the Confirmands procession. ([No procession or recession of the Confirmands in 2024 & 2025.](#))

Incense is used. (Gospel & pre-Consecration) ([Not in 2024 or 2025.](#))

Holy Water is not used.

Confirmation is after the homily.

The Bishop will bring his own chrism. (Place it and his Confirmation book on the Altar side table.) A Deacon or Altar Server will hold the chrism during the anointing. ([Fr. Hank held it in 2024; Deacon Chuck in 2025.](#))

The Bishop will wash his hands after the anointing using a pitcher with plain water, a basin with water and Dawn added, a cut lemon, and a towel(s). Place all on a table next to Lectern, Altar side.

There is an Offertory Procession, bread and wine only, no other symbols.

An unscheduled offertory was collected in 2024; the Office scheduled one for 2025. [[Appropriate?](#)] Four from the Spanish community were the offertory ushers. Confirmands are not used as ushers and not 'collected' from.

The Bishop will wash his hands with water after distributing Communion, using the normal water and bowl.

The following photos are from 2025. [Ask the photographer to take a pic of the Bishop with the Altar Servers in 2026?]

ADDITIONALLY: (Bishop John Noonan.) Both an Archbishop and a Bishop would be greeted as "Your Excellency" or "Your Grace" (again very British). For example, one would greet Bishop Loverde as "Your Excellency." In writing to him (for instance, about how much you enjoy this column only kidding), you would address the letter, "The Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde, Bishop of Arlington," with the salutation, "Your Excellency." Although some people today informally would approach Bishop Loverde and say, for instance, "Bishop, how are you?" one should properly say, "Bishop Loverde, how are you?" or "Your Excellency, how are you?" Just as a person would never approach Pope John Paul II and simply say, "Pope, how are you?" the title of office, in this case "bishop," should not be used in an address without either the definite article *the* or a proper name.



Credence Table. (Two ciboria in the Tabernacle.)



Hand washing table.



Microphone, Roman Missal, Bishop's Confirmation Book & Chrism.