

## **PROCEDURE: HSCC accommodation for medical need of Low Gluten- Wine**

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### **Receiving sacramental wine in personal communion cup**

#### **Parishioner Request**

If a parishioner is unable to consume a low gluten host and is requesting to receive Holy Eucharist in the form of Precious Blood, they will need to present a letter from a medical doctor to the Pastor. A communion cup will be assigned to the parishioner and the procedure to follow will be explained.

- The parishioner will be responsible for bringing their communion cup to Mass for reception of the Sacrament and to wait after Mass to take it home; after the cup has been purified by the ordained.
  - Should the Parishioner lose the cup, they should contact the parish office immediately.
    - The Parish Staff person receiving the message will record the cup as lost and discuss next steps with the Director of Adult Formation.
- Visitors or guests requiring sacramental wine due to medical need, should speak with the parish staff in advance of mass, providing enough time to present a letter from a medical doctor to the Priest and receive explanation of procedures.

#### **Parish Assignment of Communion Cup**

- The Parishioner will be assigned a cup by a member of Parish staff. Parish Staff member will complete the Low Gluten inventory form posted in the Sacristy.
- If a parishioner moves or no longer requires this accommodation, they will return this cup to the parish.

#### **Parishioner Process – Before Mass**

**A minimum of 15 minutes prior to Mass**, the parishioner should see a Eucharistic Minister (EM) **in the Sacristy**.

- The parishioner will pour a small amount of sacramental wine in their communion cup. The EM will ensure that it is placed on the credence table before Mass with a small amount of wine in the cup, to be consecrated.

#### **Parishioner Receives Personal Communion Cup at distribution of Holy Eucharist**

- After consecration, the deacon will return the small communion cup to the credence table.
- Those receiving wine in lieu of a low gluten host, will step into the sanctuary when the EMs and cantor/musicians come forward. They will step over to the credence table and discreetly receive the Precious Blood on their own in front of the EM/Deacon according to Mass protocol and return to their seat.
- The deacon/priest will purify the personal communion cup along with other vessels.
- After Mass, the parishioner will wait in the Sacristy until the communion cup has been cleaned.
- The Parishioner will take their empty cup home with them bringing it back each time they come to Mass.