

Addendum to Guidance Notes for Holy Saturday – version 5

Procedures for Occasions when Torchbearers are not Rostered

These instructions amend the rubrics given on pages four and five of the standard guidance notes.

Lighting of Candles after the Collect following the 4th Reading:

The MC takes a light from the Paschal Candle.

The acolytes come to the sanctuary lamp to take a light from the MC, as does the Crucifer. The MC assists the Celebrant to light the sanctuary lamp.

One acolyte lights the acolytes' candles, while the other proceeds to light the high altar candles and the standard candles. The acolyte not concerned with the lighting of the high altar candles will proceed, after lighting the candles on the credence table, in a pair with the Crucifer, to the front pew – the acolyte on the Handfield side and the Crucifer on the pulpit side. They will light the people's candles in the front pew only, requesting that the light be passed back. On their return to the sanctuary, they light the candles in the Handfield and Lady Chapels respectively.

Meanwhile, the MC lights candles for any clergy who may be “in choir” and also lights the candles in the Chapel of the Incarnation.

The GLORIA must not be commenced until the MC is ready, and standing before the Celebrant with the book. **THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS CUE MUST BE COMMUNICATED TO THE DIRECTOR OF MUSIC.**

During the GLORIA, the Subdeacon will ring a sacring bell.

Also during the GLORIA, the MC will raise the sanctuary lamp.

The lighting of the high altar candles must be complete by the end of the GLORIA.

The COLLECT, EPISTLE and GOSPEL proceed according to the notes.

The people have been instructed by the Order of Service to extinguish their candles after the Gospel.

Lighting of Candles for the Litany Procession:

Immediately after the sermon, the acolytes, with their candles, go to the front pew and light the people's candles, requesting that the light be passed back. On their return to the sanctuary, they do not return to the credence table, but take up their places, flanking the Crucifer, in readiness for the Litany procession. The Litany should not be commenced until the MC considers that all is in readiness.

The Bishop's Chair

If there is to be a Confirmation or Reception over which a bishop is to preside, the MC will determine, at rehearsal, who is to place the bishop's chair in position on return from the font.