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| Position title: | Reader of Prayers | Position reports to: | *Parish Priest* |
| Positions reporting to this one: | None. | Other key relationships: | Parish Pastoral Associate, Parish Secretary |
| Position Purpose: | The Reader of Prayers leads the assembly in prayer. | | |
| Qualifications and experience: | * No experience required as Readers are given training. * Practices the Catholic faith through regular attendance at liturgy and reception of the Sacraments. * Readers should reflect the cultural diversity of the parish and can be female or male, young or old. | | |
| Training: | * All volunteers must complete the Safeguarding Essentials online training module on an annual basis. * Roles which work directly with children and young people are required to complete the Working Safely with Children and Young People online training module every 3 years. * Please note: Volunteers aged 16-17 must provide parental permission prior to undertaking online training modules. Volunteers under 16 do not undertake online training modules. * Other training as directed. | | |
| Conditions: | * This is a volunteer role. * Expected commitment is ……. hours a week/month. * Must hold a current Victorian Working with Children Check or Victorian Institute of Teaching registration. * Volunteers aged under 18 are exempt from the requirement to hold a Working with Children Check. | | |

| Skills and attributes: |
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| * Commitment to the safety of children, young people and vulnerable people * Motivated to work within the Catholic Church environment and a strong commitment to its values * Commitment to ongoing personal faith formation * Reads clearly and confidently * Honesty and integrity * Reliability * Responsibility * Willingness to work collaboratively as part of a team * Planned and organised * Willingness to participate in learning opportunities e.g. induction, training and development * Able to communicate effectively and respectfully with others * Flexible and adaptable * Respect confidentiality and privacy |

| Key Results Areas: | Key Duties: |
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| Preparation | * Prays before reading. * Practises reading the prayers several times, first in silence and then aloud. * Prays again. |
| Reading the prayers | * Arrive in a timely manner prior to the commencement of the Mass, allowing enough time for preparation and set up. * Reads the prayers during the Mass. |
| Training | * As required, assists in training other liturgical ministers. |

**Further reference:**

- *Commentators and Readers of Prayers of the Faithful*, Melbourne: Archbishop’s Office for Evangelisation, 2013.