Requirements for Ministers of the Word (Lectors)

- 1. Membership in parish one year (at pastor's discretion but encouraged from point of view of fidelity to the community one wishes to serve.)
- 2. Men or women who are, acknowledged by peers and pastor to be an active Catholic in good standing with the Roman Catholic Church.
- 3. Sacramental reception: Must have received the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation in the Roman Catholic Church.
- 4. Names to be submitted to the Office of Worship the list will be acknowledged by the Office of Worship and returned to the parish.
- 5. All the faithful, especially those who will serve as lectors should be properly trained on the following:
 - o Understanding of Liturgy and use of the liturgical principles from Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy and The General Instruction of the Roman Missal
 - o Theology of the Word
 - Theology of Ministry
 - o Practical training of Proclamation and opportunity for practice and critique
- 6. Call to Protect Safe Environment training every two years
- 7. Six hours of ongoing formation per year
- 8. "Hands-on" training including the importance of fulfilling commitment as scheduled, procedures for approaching the ambo and the dress code put forth by the parish.