

# St. Louis Church

Clarksville, Maryland

**Margaret Valavanis**

March 5, 2013

Dear Margaret,

On behalf of the St. Louis Pastoral Council, we would like to formally commend you for your unending loyalty and your unselfish service to our Church and the community. For many years you have inspired our parish family in religious education and as an active member of the Liturgy Committee. As the leader and spiritual advisor for all altar servers you have truly shown your love and dedication to our parish family. Your role has always demanded a constant juggling of the rosters of servers, keeping families together, mixing new and experienced young people, entreating for volunteers to serve at Holy Day liturgies, and maintaining a fair way of making those 6:45am assignments. Through your guidance, each of your servers knows that they have a genuine and vital role in the liturgical assembly.

There are so many more areas that you provided your love and dedicated assistance. You have expertly automated the altar server scheduling and have accomplished it along with all your other duties with patience and a good humor despite the challenges of this very visible ministry.

**“That I may come to the altar of God, to God, my joy, my delight.”  
Psalms 43:4**

Margaret, you and your servers come to the altar of God with grace, reverence, and love for our Lord. We honor you today because you faithfully serve our Lord. We are most grateful and blessed in our Church and the community for having you.

May the good Lord continue to bless you and yours abundantly.

With sincerest appreciation,  
St. Louis Pastoral Council

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