

PROCEDURE: HSCC accommodation for medical need of Low Gluten - Host

Receiving Low Gluten Host

Parishioner Request for Low-Gluten Pyx:

- HSCC provides a pyx (which is assigned a number) to those parishioners who identify themselves as requiring ¹low-gluten (LG) host.
- Upon request, the parishioner is assigned a pyx by a staff member or Mass Coordinator. The person assigning the pyx will complete the Low-Gluten Pyx Inventory form posted in the Sacristy.
- The parishioner will be responsible for bringing their pyx to Mass.
- Should the Parishioner lose the pyx they should contact the parish office immediately.
 - The Parish Staff person receiving the message should record the pyx as lost and discuss next steps with the Director of Adult Formation.

Parishioner Request for Low-Gluten Host– Before Mass

- **A minimum of 15 minutes prior to Mass**, the parishioner should see a Eucharistic Minister (EM) **in the Sacristy**.
- The EM will provide an individually wrapped LG host to the parishioner. The parishioner will unwrap the host and place it in their pyx.
- The parishioner will place the closed pyx (upside down – number showing) in a separate ciborium dedicated to LG hosts in the sacristy.
- At the appropriate time, the EM will place the ciborium holding the LG pyx, on the credence table next to the empty ciborium(s) which will be used for mass.

Parishioner Receives Low-Gluten Host at distribution of Holy Eucharist

- The Priest will consecrate the LG hosts at the same time the wheat hosts are consecrated.
- The deacon returns the ciborium to the credence table, behind the presider's chair.
- Those receiving LG hosts will step into the sanctuary when the EMEs and cantor/musicians come forward. They will step over to the credence table and the Deacon/Mass Coordinator will hold the ciborium out to them to take the pyx with their number.
- The Parishioner will consume their LG host in front of the EME/Deacon according to mass protocol, take their pyx and return to their seat.
- The Parishioner will take their empty pyx home with them bringing it back each time they come to Mass.
- Visitors or guests requiring LG host should arrive to Mass in time to receive a guest pyx for use and explanation of procedures.

- **In the event that a person is medically unable to receive the Low Gluten host, refer to the process for receiving sacramental wine in a personal communion cup.**

¹ Low gluten bread, less than 20 PPM; approved by the USCCB. Cavanaugh brand low gluten bread, individually wrapped.