

The Parish Liturgical Team shares:

THE LITURGY LINK for June 15, 2012

As We Gather: Why do we fill up the seats in church from the back to the front? Maybe it's piety; as we may not feel worthy. Maybe it's culture; we were taught never to claim the best seats. Or maybe it's for other personal reasons. Whatever the reason it causes a practical problem: the front seats tend to stay empty, creating a gulf between the Lord's Table and the Lord's People. Latecomers are forced to go to the front pews causing disunity in the liturgical celebration.

Let's show some hospitality and fill up the church from the front to the back, leaving the back pews for those who come later or late. Doing so is a sacrificial gesture that all of us who are baptized are called to exercise. It is a simple act of kindness that helps gather the faithful around our Lord so that we may fully, actively and consciously participate in the Mass and give God glory, thanks and praise as 'one' in the Body of Christ!