



Jack Stelyner

JACK, age eleven, has literally grown up at The Basilica. His parents were married at The Basilica. He and his siblings were baptized and received their First Communion at The Basilica. As Jack says, “we *love* The Basilica!”

With an exuberant faith, Jack uses the gifts and skills given to him by God and sanctified at his baptism. He serves The Basilica community as an Acolyte and as a Lector at weekend liturgies.

When asked about his gifts and talents, Jack says “I see them as gifts from God because I am always happy and encouraging and when I read at Mass, God gives me the confidence to speak.”

Jack takes his volunteer roles very seriously. “God is with us each time we volunteer,” he says. “We need to set examples for everyone in church.” He also feels more connected to God through volunteering. “When I read, I feel closer to God,” Jack explains, “because I am proclaiming His Word.”

Jack encourages you to consider volunteering at The Basilica. “Just do it!” he exclaims. “You meet nice people and have a very good time while serving God.”