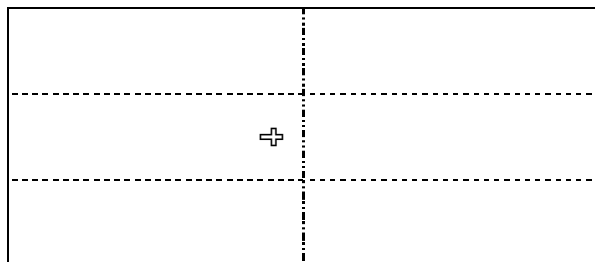


# Linen Care

The care of the linens is relatively simple, but also important. Weekly Linen Care is the laundering of Purificators, hand towels, tea towels, and dish cloths, and ironing and folding correctly the Purificators and Corporals.

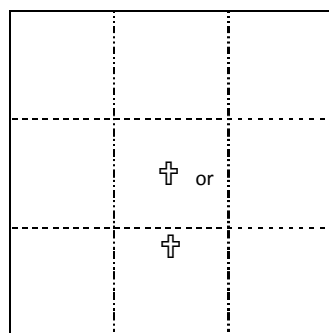
- A week's worth of dirty linen includes all linen from the preceding week's daily masses and your scheduled weekend's three masses (5:00 PM, 9:00 AM and 10:45 AM).
- Dry, dirty linen can be found in the second drawer below the sound system in the Sacristy, plus anything hanging on the drying racks Altar Server's gown cupboard.
- Please wash in a separate load (not with your own laundry) and do not use bleach as there is some polyester in the Purificators & Corporals.
- Soak linens for about 10-minutes in water before washing or there could be remaining morsels of the Body of Christ in them.
- Please prepare for laundry by putting some stain remover on any lipstick marks.
- Dampen the linen before ironing or iron it right out of the washing machine.
- Please **DO NOT USE STARCH** on the Purificators. Starch impedes the fabric from absorbing moisture and when the user presses harder to dry the vessels it scratches the gold.
- Please return the clean linen to the sacristy before the following weekend. The clean Purificators and Corporals go in the top, right hand drawer on the north side of the Sacristy and the hand towels, tea towels and dish rags go in the two drawers just to the right of the sink.

The diagrams below shows the correct way to fold the Purificators and Corporals.



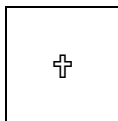
## Purificators:

- Are rectangular
- They are folded into three equal parts lengthwise
- Then folded in half
- The Cross is near or over the centre fold



## Corporals

- Are Square
- They are folded in a manner that would seem to be inside out.
- Place the Corporal right side of fabric up and cross standing upright.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Fold-bottom 1/3 way up
- 2<sup>nd</sup> fold-top over the bottom 1/3
- 3<sup>rd</sup> fold- right side 1/3 way to the left
- 4<sup>th</sup> fold- left side over the right 1/3
- The wrong side of the cross is facing outward.



When the Priest opens the Corporal on the Altar the right side will be facing up and the cross will also be in the correct direction.

**Thank you for your time and service at St. Pius X!**