**PROCEDURE FOR PRESENTING THE BOOK OF THE ELECT**

**After the Affirmation by the Godparents and the Assembly (see program)**

1. The usher will ask you to stand and exit two pews at a time to form a **double line** in the center aisle.
2. Hold the *Book of the Elect* open to the current list of names of catechumens. The names should be facing out.
3. The usher will lead you up the center aisle and into the sanctuary.
4. **This is a procession**. Keep moving slowly (not too slowly) without gaps.
5. Go up the steps, together with your partner, and then turn left. Walk up to the bottom step of the Cathedra (Archbishop's chair) towards the Archbishop.
6. Stop in front of the Archbishop. Slightly elevate the *Book of the Elect* and extend it forward in a gesture of presentation.
7. The "*Book of the Elect* presenter" presents the open *Book of the Elect* to the Archbishop and says:
    a. **"These are the names of the catechumens from _____ (your parish name) parish, seeking Initiation" while holding the *Book of the Elect*, the Archbishop acknowledges them.**
8. Then the book presenter turns with the book open, at the direction of the ushers, proceeds out of the sanctuary via the right and/or left side altar gate (Sacred Heart and/or Assumption side), and lines up in front of the altar rail, facing the Archbishop, with the book open, until the ***Act of Election*** is completed. Return to your seat with the closed book at the direction of the usher.