

Issue #4 from Tanya Braithwaite, STV Director of Liturgy

Before I started my position last August, I felt like I had an extensive understanding of liturgical practice and vocabulary related to items we use at Mass, but there is so much to learn! I thought this might be a useful guide to continue to develop your “Catholic vocabulary”.



If you have attended Mass at another church, you may have observed the use of a paten. We typically do not use patens at STV. The Pall (see above) also refers to a cloth used to cover a casket during the funeral. The word comes from the Latin word pallium (cloak). The Pall symbolizes the clothing of the departed believer in Christ's purity and beauty, and emphasizes our equality in God's sight.

The more you know...TRB