

*Father will invite you to come forward for the readings. Go to the Altar, bow and then go to the lectern. Do reading.*

Sirach 44: 1, 10-15

## **A reading from the Book of Sirach**

Now will I praise those godly men, our ancestors, each in his own time:

Yet these also were godly men whose virtues have not been forgotten;

Their wealth remains in their families, their heritage with their descendants;

Through God's covenant with them their family endures, their posterity, for their sake.

And for all time their progeny will endure, their glory will never be blotted out;

Their bodies are peacefully laid away, but their name lives on and on.

At gatherings their wisdom is retold, and the assembly proclaims their praise.

## **The Word of the Lord.**

*When finished go to bottom of step, turn and face the Altar, bow and go back to your seat.*