

ALCOHOL POLICY

The following guidelines concerning the use of alcoholic beverages at Church functions or on Church property in the Central Florida Diocese were adopted at the 17th Annual Convention:

1. All applicable, federal, state, and local laws should be obeyed, including those covering the serving of alcoholic beverages to minors.
2. Alcoholic beverages and food containing alcohol must be clearly labeled as such.
3. Whenever alcohol is served, non-alcoholic alternatives must always be offered with equal attractiveness and accessibility.
4. The service of alcoholic beverages at Church events should not be publicized as an attraction to the event.
5. Drunkenness is not condoned as acceptable behavior.
6. The group or organization sponsoring the activity or event at which alcoholic beverages are served, must have permission from the Parish for this plan. Such groups or organizations must also assume moral responsibility for those persons who might become intoxicated..
7. Recognizing the effect of alcohol as a major mood-modifying drug, it would be advisable to consider the nature of the function at which alcoholic beverages are proposed to be served
8. Chemical use, other than alcohol, is clearly controlled under federal, state, and local laws, and as such, should be forbidden at any Church function.