

Guidelines for the Burning of Altar Candles

The following information is issued by Lalor Church Candles. If followed, the guidelines will help you obtain the best performance, and satisfaction, from the products you have been supplied.

1. Candles should be stored horizontally on a flat surface. They should not be subjected to direct sunlight or extremes of temperature, and it is recommended that they are used within two years of purchase.
2. When setting up a new candle, ensure that it is firmly held in an upright position, and the holder is placed on a stable surface.
3. Before lighting a new candle, ensure the wick is not twisted and is standing upright, in line with the candle. The exposed wick should be trimmed, if necessary, to approximately 1/2".
4. A Lalor lighting taper should be used to light the candle, exposing the full wick to the taper flame. The use of matches or paper should be avoided, as they can drop extraneous material into the candle which can cause serious burning problems.
5. ***When relighting a candle, ensure the burning pool is clear of any foreign materials as this can cause secondary burning. Take care not to move the wick from its previous burning shape.***
6. If a candle is burning with an abnormally low flame, extinguish it and when the wax has cooled pare down the top of the candle until sufficient wick is exposed.
7. To extinguish a candle do not blow directly onto the molten wax pool, or wax may splash out. A candle snuffer should be used but take care not to damage the wick or the lip of the wax pool.
8. Excessive draughts will cause some candles to gutter, and in many environments these draughts are unavoidable. To control guttering in these circumstances, Lalor Church Candles market a range of candle caps. These are available for specific candle types and sizes. Lalor Church Candles, or their representative, should be contacted directly if candle caps are required.
9. Hot water should be used to remove wax from metal, glass or ceramic holders.
10. If candles are burnt in confined spaces, there should be at least two feet vertical clearance between the flame and any surface or material.
11. EXTREME CARE MUST BE TAKEN AT ALL TIMES TO ENSURE THAT CANDLES ARE BURNT CORRECTLY AND IN SAFE SURROUNDINGS.
12. NEVER LEAVE BURNING CANDLES UNSUPERVISED

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