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## **CARE AND MAINTENANCE GUIDE:** *CANDLE LIGHTERS*

 <u>Clean on a Regular Basis:</u> Like all brassware, candle lighters require routine cleaning to maintain proper functionality. Cleaning frequency varies from weekly to monthly depending on the overall use of candles in the Church.

## Methods and Materials:

- To clean the inside of the barrel, remove the existing wax taper and attach a soft, thin cloth to the taper threading device. Dampen the cloth in **candle wax remover** and pull the cloth through the barrel. This process should dissolve and loosen built-up wax within the barrel. Repeat the process with a dry cloth afterward to remove more wax and dry the inside of the barrel.
- We do not recommend the use of water or brass-cleaner inside the barrel as it is less effective in removing wax build-up and may lead to interior rusting if not properly dried.
- Like nearly all brassware, do not completely submerse in water or other cleaning solutions.

## - Preventing Wax Buildup:

- During use, servers should not to expose too much wick at one time (around 1 inch while lit).
   If too much exposed, wax may be wicked back into the tube when lit.
- After extinguishing the flame, servers should leave about 1 inch of the taper extended out of the barrel. If left in, the hot wax taper may stick to the side of the barrel and leave wax residue behind.

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