

Increased Offertory Brochure

(FRONT SIDE)

How much should I be giving?

That's a question that people ask every day. There is not a "magic" formula that would give every family of our parish the right amount. The way to start is with an evaluation of what you're giving right now.

Most of us are a little surprised when we discover how little it really is. The question to ask is not "what percentage do I need to give?" but rather, "Does what I'm giving adequately reflect my gratitude to God?"

Although many people use the biblical tithe (or tenth) as the norm for giving to charitable causes, this can often be a goal that takes several years to work up to. Don't let the fact that you're only giving one or two percent right now discourage you from the concept of stewardship. By taking a series of small "progress steps" over a period of time, almost everyone can increase the amount they give back to God.

It is common practice among those who have adopted a stewardship attitude to divide their gifts between their home parish and other charitable organizations.

Benefits of online giving for you

- Convenient and accessible anytime.
- Set it up once and you are done.
- If your situation changes, your gift can be changed later.
- No need to remember an envelope or checkbook at Mass.
- Provides "peace of mind" – your gift is delivered regularly into the parish bank account.

... for the parish

- Keeps funds secure, transferring directly from your bank to the parish account.
- Streamlines the donation process, reducing administrative work and processing time.
- Creates a steady stream of income for our parish.

Please consider making your gift online. You can smile as the offertory basket passes by, and smile when you are on vacation knowing your local parish is still receiving your gift. Every week or month, you will be making a real and lasting difference – one gift at a time.

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Increased Offertory

YOUR CHURCH NAME HERE



... No one shall appear before the Lord empty-handed, but each of you with as much as he can give, in proportion to the blessings which the Lord, your God, has bestowed on you.

Dt. 16:16-17

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Prayerfully Plan Your Generosity by Giving with Gratitude

Suggested Weekly Contribution Based on A Percentage Increase

We ask you and your family to please prayerfully discuss your giving to the church and see what increases you can make.



Any increase in your giving will involve both a sharing of your blessings and a sacrifice. We appeal to your generosity and will be grateful for whatever gift you decide is appropriate.

RATE OF INCREASE

Weekly Offertory	25%	30%	40%
\$5.00	\$6.25	\$6.50	\$7.00
\$10.00	\$12.50	\$13.00	\$14.00
\$20.00	\$25.00	\$26.00	\$28.00
\$25.00	\$31.25	\$32.50	\$35.00
\$30.00	\$37.50	\$39.00	\$42.00
\$50.00	\$62.50	\$65.00	\$70.00
\$75.00	\$93.75	\$97.50	\$105.00
\$100.00	\$125.00	\$130.00	\$140.00
\$150.00	\$187.50	\$195.00	\$210.00
\$200.00	\$250.00	\$260.00	\$280.00
\$250.00	\$312.50	\$325.00	\$350.00
\$300.00	\$375.00	\$390.00	\$420.00
\$400.00	\$500.00	\$520.00	\$560.00
\$500.00	\$625.00	\$650.00	\$700.00

Ways to Give as Well as Cash or Credit Cards

Gifts of Appreciated Assets

Gifts of appreciated securities, such as stocks, bonds, and mutual funds, offer an easy and tax-smart way to support the work of your Church. In most cases you will be able to avoid capital gains tax on the appreciation, and you may be able to obtain a charitable deduction for the full market value of the gift.

Giving from Your 401(k), 403(b) or IRA

401(k), 403(b) or Individual Retirement Account (IRA) you could use those funds for Sunday giving or any other donation to your church.

Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) – Federal law requires you to start taking at age 72. Your RMD can push you into a higher tax bracket. Instead of giving your Sunday giving from your bank account you can have a portion or all your RMD sent directly to your church. By doing this you do not have to claim your RMD as income, this can help lower your taxable income, and not use your cash for Sunday giving.

IRA owners 70½ and older can make Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD) of up to \$100,000 per year. These distributions are not subject to income taxes because the withdrawal goes directly to the church and NOT TO you.

Will, Living Trust, or Other Estate Plan

You can also support your church through your *will, living trust, or other estate plan*. Make sure to discuss options with your financial advisor and thank you for keeping the church in your prayers.