

A Stewardship Prayer

*My church is composed of people like me.
I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am.
Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.
It will do great work, if I work.
It will make generous gifts to worthy causes,
if I am a generous giver.
It will bring other people into its worship,
if I invite and bring them.
It will be a church of loyalty and love,
of fearlessness and faith,
and a church with a noble spirit,
if I am filled with these same things.
Therefore, with the help of God,
I will dedicate myself to the task
of being all the things that I want my church to be.
Amen.*

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH
"loving as Christ loves, serving as Christ serves"
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GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH *Family Treasure Commitment*



"As soon as the word spread, the people of Israel gave in abundance the first fruits of grain, wine, oil, honey, and of all the produce of the field; and they brought in abundantly the tithe of everything."
(2 Chronicles 31:5)

Take a Step...

1

Find your household income at the left of the chart below.

Move across on the same line to find the amount you currently give weekly in the Parish Sunday envelope.

Move straight up the chart to find what percentage of your income your current gift to the parish represents.

2

Please consider moving gradually toward Sacrificial Giving (giving which is planned, proportionate, and sacrificial). *Take a step by pledging at the next level* (to the right). For example, if you are presently giving 2% to the parish, consider pledging 2.5%, or even 3% now.

3

Consider setting your eventual goal at the biblical tithe of 10% (5% to the parish and 5% to other charities). It may take a few years to get there, but this is a worthy and rewarding goal for all on the road of discipleship.

Weekly Giving to the Parish Sunday Envelope

HOUSEHOLD INCOME		1%	1.5%	2%	2.5%	3%	3.5%	4%	5%	10%
Hourly	Yearly									
	\$6,000	\$1.15	\$1.75	\$2.25	\$3.00	\$3.50	\$4.00	\$4.50	\$5.75	\$11.50
\$6.79	14,125	2.75	4.00	5.50	6.75	8.25	9.50	11.00	13.50	27.50
7.20	15,000	3.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	9.00	10.00	12.00	14.00	29.00
9.60	20,000	4.00	6.00	8.00	10.00	12.00	13.00	15.00	19.00	38.00
12.00	25,000	5.00	7.00	10.00	12.00	14.00	17.00	19.00	24.00	48.00
14.50	30,000	6.00	9.00	12.00	14.00	17.00	20.00	23.00	29.00	57.50
16.75	35,000	7.00	10.00	13.00	17.00	20.00	24.00	27.00	34.00	67.00
19.25	40,000	8.00	12.00	15.00	19.00	23.00	27.00	31.00	38.00	77.00
24.00	50,000	10.00	14.00	19.00	24.00	29.00	34.00	38.00	48.00	96.00
29.00	60,000	12.00	17.00	23.00	29.00	35.00	40.00	46.00	58.00	115.00
33.50	70,000	13.00	20.00	27.00	34.00	40.00	47.00	54.00	67.00	134.00
38.50	80,000	15.00	23.00	31.00	38.00	46.00	54.00	62.00	77.00	154.00
43.50	90,000	17.00	26.00	35.00	43.00	52.00	61.00	69.00	87.00	173.00
48.00	100,000	19.00	29.00	38.00	48.00	58.00	67.00	77.00	96.00	192.00
72.00	150,000	29.00	43.00	58.00	72.00	87.00	101.00	115.00	144.00	288.00

*You are asked to give an equal percentage to other charities (for example: if you're giving 5% to the parish in the regular Sunday envelope, give an additional 5% to other charities for 10% total giving). Other charities might include Food Pantries and other programs for the Poor, Missions, Catholic Education donations, the Diocese, Parish Building or Debt Drives, etc.

COMMITMENT CARD

In prayerful thanksgiving for the many blessings received from God, I/we commit to give on a regular basis:

Weekly Monthly the amount of \$_____ to the Sunday Offertory.

Please print legibly

Full Name: _____ Envelope Number: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip Code: _____ I/we have signed up for Faith Direct _____ (More info at www.faithdirect.com)

Once completed, please place in the collection basket during Mass, or drop off/mail to parish office (attention "database").

Your commitment is made before God and we will handle the paperwork and data entry with extreme care and confidentiality. It is not legally binding and may be changed if necessary by contacting the parish office, or database@gs-cc.org