# Giving back: Share, Pray, & Serve

"The Christian vocation is essentially a call to be a disciple of Jesus. Stewardship is part of that. Even more to the point, however, Christians are called to be good stewards of the personal vocations they receive. Each of us must discern, accept, and live out joyfully and generously the commitments, responsibilities, and roles to which God calls him or her." -Stewardship: A Disciple's Response, USCCB, 1992.

Stewardship is faith in action. As Christians, we believe that everything we have is a gift from God. The concept of stewardship as a way of life helps us to live in a spirit of poverty by reminding us that we are caretakers, not owners, of the gifts we have received. Living stewardship allows us to use our gifts wisely, to the very best of our ability, for the good of God's Church. As Catholic stewards, we are called to share our gifts with one another in our parish community and the world around us.

Stewardship is challenging, demanding, and personal. More importantly stewardship is rewarding—in this life and the next.

# Now will you share your blessings that have been bestowed upon you?

#### Sacrificial giving means:

- Placing God first in our lives
- Planning our giving thoughtfully and prayerfully
- Acknowledging our Creator as the source of all we have and all we are
- Making an offering to God of the first and best portion of all we receive
- Placing our trust, security, and faith in God's providential care

#### Oshare – Making a consistent gift to the parish

In thanksgiving for our blessings, each household is asked to work toward giving a planned percentage of income and assets to Holy Rosary Parish.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME				SUGGESTED WEEKLY GIVING							
PER HOUR	PER WEEK	PER MONTH	PER YEAR	1.5%	2%	2.5%	3%	3.5%	4%	4.5%	5%
\$ 7.50	\$ 300	\$ 1,200	\$ 15,000	\$ 4.50	\$ 6.00	\$ 7.50	\$ 9.00	\$ 10.50	\$ 12.00	\$ 13.50	\$ 15.00
\$ 10.00	\$ 400	\$ 1,600	\$ 20,000	\$ 6.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 20.00
\$ 12.50	\$ 500	\$ 2,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 7.50	\$ 10.00	\$ 12.50	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.50	\$ 20.00	\$ 22.50	\$ 25.00
\$ 15.00	\$ 600	\$ 2,400	\$ 30,000	\$ 9.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 18.00	\$ 21.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 30.00
\$ 17.50	\$ 700	\$ 2,800	\$ 35,000	\$ 10.50	\$ 14.00	\$ 17.50	\$ 21.00	\$ 24.50	\$ 28.00	\$ 31.50	\$ 35.00
\$ 20.00	\$ 800	\$ 3,200	\$ 40,000	\$ 12.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 28.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 40.00
\$ 22.50	\$ 900	\$ 3,600	\$ 45,000	\$ 13.50	\$ 18.00	\$ 22.50	\$ 27.00	\$ 31.50	\$ 36.00	\$ 40.50	\$ 45.00
\$ 25.00	\$ 1,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 15.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 50.00
\$ 30.00	\$ 1,200	\$ 4,800	\$ 60,000	\$ 18.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 48.00	\$ 54.00	\$ 60.00
\$ 35.00	\$ 1,400	\$ 5,600	\$ 70,000	\$ 21.00	\$ 28.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 56.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 70.00
\$ 40.00	\$ 1,600	\$ 6,400	\$ 80,000	\$ 24.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 48.00	\$ 56.00	\$ 64.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 80.00
\$ 45.00	\$ 1,800	\$ 7,200	\$ 90,000	\$ 27.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 54.00	\$ 63.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 81.00	\$ 90.00
\$ 50.00	\$ 2,000	\$ 8,000	\$100,000	\$ 30.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 90.00	\$100.00

This section will be returned to the parish.

First
name:
Last
name:
Contact #:
Email:

Please complete the sections below and tear along the perforated line.

Share – write in your weekly offering amount

**Pray** – circle the numbers you have chosen

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
<b>Serve</b> – ci chosen	rcle the n	umbers ye	ou have
1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20

Any comments or questions?

Please share them below.



## <u> Pray - Praying and using my</u> <u>time wisely</u>

Stewardship begins with prayer. This special time with God spiritually prepares us to use our gifts in service to God and others. Check the specific ways you will commit to enhancing your prayer life.

- □ 1) Eucharistic Adoration
- □ 2) Pray the Rosary
- 3) Participate in weekday Mass at least once a month
- □ 4) Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 5) Pray and reflect on the scriptures with my family
- 6) Read the scriptures each week
- □ 7) Participate in parish prayer opportunities (*First Saturday* devotion to Mary, *First Friday devotion*, novenas, etc.)
- □ 8) Other: \_

### <u>Serve - Opportunities for parish</u> involvement

Christian discipleship calls us to serve one another in love. Holy Rosary Church offers many opportunities for all of us to do just that. Here is a brief sample of the many opportunities to serve our parish and the surrounding community. \*

For more information on these and more opportunities visit <u>holyrosaryparish.org</u> or email <u>ministry@holyrosaryparish.org</u>.

- □ 1) Adopt-a-family
- 2) Altar Society
- □ 3) Community Garden
- 4) COOL (Catholic Organization Of Life)
- 5) Knights of Columbus
- 6) Lectors
- □ 7) Marian Day Event
- 8) Religious Ed/CCE (ie, Cathechists)
- 9) Respect Life Ministry
- 10) Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)
- 11) St. Vincent de Paul Society
- □ 12) Bible Study Facilitators
- 13) Sunday Coffee & Donuts
- □ 14) American Heritage Girls
- 15) Boy Scouts (Explorers)
- 16) Vietnamese Choir
- 17) Vietnamese Community Volunteers
- 18) Wednesday Community Luncheon
- 19) Welcoming Committee (Ushers & Greeters)
- 20) Young Adults Group

\*All ministry volunteers must attend VIRTUS Safe Environment training.

### "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward..." Luke 12:42





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