

Stewardship

St. Raymond Parish benefits from your generous contributions of time, talent, and treasure. We are tremendously grateful for the gifts God has given us. Please see more about our philosophy of giving below

We desire to practice a spirituality of stewardship.

These are the marks of stewardship: **gratitude, responsibility, generosity, and increase.** As people of faith we ask God to open our eyes to see that our worship and works come from a place of abundance, not scarcity. Filled with the Holy Spirit, we can see clearly that God the Father first gave abundantly to us from his own abundance, his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, [raised from the dead, the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep](#) (1 Corinthians 15:20). God raised Jesus from the dead (Acts 2:24; 3:15; 4:10; etc.) and offers him to us as the [first-fruits](#) of the Resurrection. the first and best [profit](#) from the wealth of God's loving work of salvation.

We experience the first-fruits of God's abundant harvest when we encounter Christ in the sacraments. preeminently the Eucharist (cf. John 6:53-58). But we encounter Christ also in the Word of Sacred Scripture and Tradition. We encounter him in each other as we belong to Jesus and one another as members of his Body, the Church (cf. 1 Corinthians 12:12-26). We encounter the Lord in the neediest among us (cf. Matthew 25:40). The first-fruits of God. Jesus. is all around us. God lavishes us with his wealth. Out of our friendship with God and one another, we respond accordingly: [Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first-fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine](#) (Proverbs 3:9-10).

Gift of Time

St. Raymond Parish has both internal ministries and those that reach out into the community to support populations in need. Parishioners are encouraged to get involved with ministries that speak most to their talents and interests. Please consider the following opportunities to serve and see the [Service](#) menu on our homepage:

- St Vincent de Paul Society
- St Raymond Homeless Family Fund
- Hospitality
- Children's Ministry
- Music Ministry
- Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- Legion of Mary

Gift of Talent

St. Raymond Parish often has needs which can be met by the gifts of our parishioners. Please keep your eyes and heart open to appeals sent through our bulletin for special services.

Gift of Treasure

We count on your gifts to support our parish all year round! Don't worry about your Sunday envelopes again, because you can donate online. **There is no fee to you to donate online.** Your donation can be a one-time event, or you can set up donations on a scheduled basis. By scheduling a recurring donation, you no longer need to worry about remembering your offering envelope, and your much needed donations can continue even while traveling.