



MY CATHOLIC GIVING GUIDE

A GUIDE TO GIVING IN STEWARDSHIP

God calls us to be generous with all of our gifts, including our treasure. Our faith teaches us this through the Scriptures:

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with first fruits..." (Proverbs 3:9)

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" (Psalm 116:12)

In gratitude, we are called to give to God from our first fruits. That means creating a plan for giving to His Church. By having a plan, we can better do our part to share the gifts that God has given us.

BEST PRACTICES

- Create and maintain a household budget
- Plan your giving annually
- Use our parish's electronic offering
- Understand that tithing literally means to give 10% of your income. Suggested amounts: 5% to your parish and 5% to other Church needs and charities that serve the greater community

ANNUAL GIVING OPPORTUNITIES



OFFERTORY

Whether giving weekly, monthly, or yearly, the offertory supports the parish's mission and ministries



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The ACA supports the immediate and urgent mission of the local Church, including ministries, parishes, and schools



SECOND COLLECTIONS

Support the priorities of the pope and bishops through specific national and worldwide ministries



COMMUNITY CHARITIES

Support the mission of nonprofit organizations and other community needs

USE THE WORKSHEET ON THE REVERSE PAGE TO PLAN YOUR GIVING

MY CATHOLIC GIVING GUIDE WORKSHEET

1) CALCULATE ANNUAL GROSS FAMILY INCOME

My income \$ _____
 My spouse's income \$ _____
 Other income \$ _____
 Total income \$ _____

2) DETERMINE ANNUAL PERCENTAGE TO GIVE

Tithing _____ 10%
 (or)
 Other _____ %

3) CALCULATE ANNUAL DOLLAR GIVING AMOUNT

Total Annual Gross Family Income x Annual Giving Percentage = Annual Dollar Giving Amount

\$ _____ % \$ _____

4) DETERMINE DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH GIVING OPPORTUNITY

OFFERTORY

Weekly \$ (or) Monthly \$ Annual \$

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Annual \$ _____

SECOND COLLECTIONS

ANNUAL AMOUNT

Annual Catholic Charities Christmas Appeal	
Annual Seminary Collection	
Archdiocese for Military Services	
Black & Indian Missions	
Campaign for Human Development	
Catholic Communications Campaign	
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	
Catholic Relief Services	
Catholic University of America	
Church in Central & Eastern Europe	
Formation of Permanent Deacons	
Glennon Sunday	
Holy Land	
Latin American Apostolate	
Peter's Pence (for the Pope)	
Regina Cleri	
Respect Life Apostolate	
Retirement Fund for Religious	
St. Vincent de Paul Society	
World Mission Sunday	

COMMUNITY CHARITIES & UNEXPECTED NEEDS

TOTAL ANNUAL GIVING \$ _____

GIVING EXAMPLE

1) Calculate annual gross family income

My income	\$45,000
Spouse's income	\$10,000
Other income	\$5,000
Total	\$60,000

2) Determine annual percentage to give

3% OR 10%

3) Calculate annual giving amount

\$60,000	\$60,000
x 3%	x 10%
\$1,800	\$6,000

4) Determine dollar amount for each giving opportunity

\$1,800		\$6,000
x 50%	Parish Offertory	x 50%
\$900		\$3,000
OR		
\$900		\$3,000
/52	Weekly Offertory	/52
\$17.30		\$57.70
OR		
\$900		\$3,000
/12	Monthly Offertory	/12
\$75		\$250

Annual Catholic Appeal

\$250 \$750

Annual Second Collections (20)

\$20		\$50
x20		x20
\$400		\$1,000

Other Charities

\$150	School Fundraiser	\$600
\$50	Charity 1	\$400
\$50	Charity 2	\$250
\$250	Other Totals	\$1,250