



Stewardship is sometimes seen only as a way to increase offertory collections. Stewardship is really a way of looking at life. When we have a profound sense of gratitude resulting from seeing everything – everything – as a gift from God to us, we are motivated to want to return some of this abundance to Him.

### Knowing how much to give?

All giving should be proportionate. If a household decides to give 10% of its household income, the 5-4-1 rule of thumb is helpful. First, 5% stays in the parish; then 4% goes to other charitable causes; and 1% goes to the Archdiocese, the larger Church helping others throughout our communities.

#### **Best Practices**

- Make a plan for your giving, don't leave it to chance. If you just give from what is "leftover" after all other responsibilities have been made, it may not be the best gift.
- Use the Parish's electronic Offertory (if available)
- Tithe: 5% to the parish / 1% to the Archbishop's Call to Share / 4% to the Greater Church and secular charities.

# **Annual Giving Opportunities**



Parish Offertory: supporting local parish ministries



Parish Capital Campaigns: parish projects



Archbishop's Call to Share: supporting Archdiocesan Parishes, Schools and Ministries



Archdiocesan Second Collections: supporting local, national and international Catholic causes



Community Charities: local non-profit ministries

USE THE WORKSHEET ON THE REVERSE SIDE TO PLAN YOUR GIVING!

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# Personal Catholic Giving Guide Worksheet

1. Calculate Annual Gross Family Income	
My Income	
My Spouse's Income	
Other Income	Φ.
Total	\$
2. Determine Annual Percentage to Give	ļ
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Other	0
3. Calculate Annual Dollar Giving Amou	nt
Total Annual Gross Family Income	
Annual percentage	X
Annual Gift	\$
4. Determine Allocations For Each Giving	g Opportunity
PARISH OFFERTORY	
Weekly \$ Monthly \$	Annual \$
PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN Annual \$	
ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO SHARE Annual \$	
SECOND COLLECTIONS	
Catholic Charities Christmas Appeal	\$
Church in Latin America	\$
Aid to the Church in Central & Eastern Europe (CCEE)	\$
Black & Indian Missions	\$
American Bishops' Overseas Appeal (CRS)	\$
Rice Bowl	\$
Holy Land	\$
Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA)	\$
Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)	\$
Holy Father (Peter's Pence)	\$
Mission Coop	\$
The Catholic University of America	\$
World Mission Sunday	\$
Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)	\$
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$
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TOTAL ANNUAL GIVING	\$

#### A Living Faith GIVING EXAMPLE 1. Calculate annual gross income My income \$45,000 Spouse's income \$10,000 Other income \$ 5,000 \$60,000 2. Determine Annual Percentage to Give 3. Calculate Annual Giving Amount \$60,000 \$60,000 x3% x10% \$ 1,800 \$ 6,000 4. Determine Dollar Amount for each giving opportunity \$ 1,800 \$ 6,000 x50% x50% Parish Offertory (50%) 900 \$ 3,000 900 \$ 3,000 ÷50 ÷50 Weekly Offertory 18 60 900 \$ 3,000 ÷12 ÷12 Monthly Offertory 250 Archbishop's Call to Share (10%) 180 \$ 600 Other Charities (40%) \$ 25 50 x15 x15 Annual Second 400 750 Collections 75 Parish School Fundraiser 300 \$ 75 High School Fundraiser \$ 300 \$ 50 Charity No. 1 250 \$ 50 Charity No. 1 250 50 Charity No. 1 250 \$ 15 Charity No. 1 150 Charity No. 1 150

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