

Sample Offertory Commitment Card

Commitment of Treasure

"GIVE TO THE MOST HIGH AS HE HAS GIVEN TO YOU, GENEROUSLY, ACCORDING TO YOUR MEANS, FOR THE LORD IS ONE WHO ALWAYS REPAYS, AND HE WILL GIVE BACK TO YOU SEVENTFOLD."

SIRACH 35:9-10

I understand that Holy Rosary Church is asking all parishioners to review the amount that they give to the parish offertory and to determine whether that amount is enough, too much, or not enough. My/Our new average commitment per week for the next 12 months is:

()\$100.00 ()\$75.00 ()\$50.00 ()\$40.00 ()\$35.00 ()\$30.00 ()\$25.00 ()\$20.00 ()\$15.00 ()Others\$ _____

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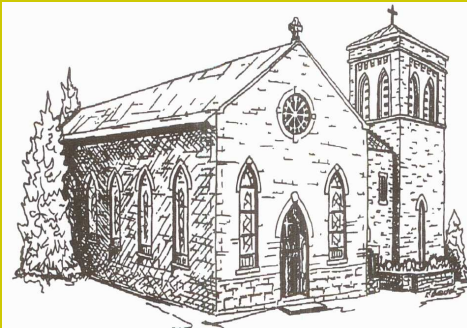
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Uniting All With God

Time, Talent & Treasure



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When I have a cold I have a dilemma. Should I take medicine that clears my nasal passages, but makes me groggy, or do I live with the stuffiness to avoid being groggy? Of course the best way is to clear up my nasal passages without becoming groggy.

When I think of all God has given me, and I think of my parish, and I think of my family, and I think of myself I have a dilemma. How do I know how much of my time, of my talent, and of my treasure that I should give? Of course the best way is to give to everything, yet we have limits.

The questions your parish asks you today are: How much time will you give to your parish this year? What talent will you share? What financial resources will you share?

How can you decide? First spend some time in prayer, ask God these questions. Second look at the priorities in your life and line them up with what God wants, perhaps talk them over with the people you love. Then make a decision that is acceptable to God and one that you can carry out. Of course sometimes things in our lives change and we need to make adjustments, but we can still make our best decision with good intent to live by it.

On the weekend of October 15th & 16th, you will have the opportunity of make a commitment of time, talent, and treasure to our parish. Now is the time to pray, to think, and to trust in God. The more you do this the better the Church becomes.

Father Randy Budnar

Holy Rosary Parish Financial Statement

FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011
(JULY 1 TO JUNE 30)

Income	
Church	\$291,718
School	110,761
Maintenance	30,819
Cemetery	7,290
TOTAL INCOME:	<u>\$440,589</u>

Expenses	
All Salaries and Benefits (Including Clergy, Religious and Lay Salaries, Auto, Ongoing Ed., FICA, Health Ins. -- Church and School)	\$271,036
Operations (Utilities, Insurance, Ordinary Repairs, Maintenance -- Church and School)	69,374
Parish (Non-School) Expenses (Supplies, Liturgy, Other Ministries, Printing, Office, Parish Activities)	39,974
Educational Expenses (School, Books, Supplies, In-Service, Administration)	13,230
Cemetery Expenses	8,656
Diocesan Assessments	9,022
TOTAL PARISH EXPENSES	<u>\$411,292</u>
FY 2010-11 (7/1 - 6/30)	

SURPLUS FROM FY 2010-2011: *\$29,297

*Figure does not include Endowment

Current Offertory Contributions

Contribution envelopes are generated for **274** households each year. Throughout the year, approximately **100** households use envelopes. An analysis of offertory over the last year showed that **317** parishioner households gave **less than \$1 per week, did not give at all, or did not do so using envelopes.**

The giving pattern of our parish for an **average Sunday** is shown in the following chart.

Average Weekly Contribution by Number of Households

JULY 1, 2010 THROUGH June 30, 2011

Number of Households	Amount Per Week
317	Less than \$1/week
67	\$ 1-5/week
62	\$ 6-10/week
57	\$ 11-20/week
35	\$ 21-30/week
10	\$ 31-40 week
11	\$ 41-60/week
6	More than \$61/week

Consider the gifts that God has given to you. Then, compare those to the amount that you **return in gratitude** for those gifts.

Reflect what you're spending on items such as fast food, movie attendance or rental, going out to dinner etc. Think about the **ratio of these expenditures to your support of our parish.**

Ask yourself if the portion of your income that you give to the work of the Lord is enough, too much, or not enough. Look at the **sample of the commitment card** that is on the back cover of this brochure. Then, **decide what amount you will indicate**, when you receive the card for your household, at Mass **this weekend.**

Without receiving a commitment card from each household, we have no way to **predict our annual income.** It is our firm belief that through sound planning, we can **avoid any financial crisis and preserve our parish's well being now and in the years to come.** We pray that parishioners will carefully review the **suggested weekly offering** chart and the information in this brochure and respond generously.

**Commitment Weekend
October 15 & 16, 2011**

At all masses this weekend you will be asked to indicate the amount that you wish to give weekly. If you give monthly, quarterly, etc., please **indicate the average weekly amount** of that gift. A sample of the offertory commitment card is shown on the back of this brochure.

Please carefully consider the gifts that God has given you and contribute part of them to **help with the work of the parish.** Come prepared to complete the commitment card that will be provided. If you change the amount that you give, please begin giving the new amount by **January 1, 2012.**

How Much Should We Give?

Many people ask whether or not there is a standard for giving. Each person, or family, must arrive at that conclusion **independently.** However, the following scale is provided in order to serve as a guide for those that are interested in using it.

Suggested Weekly Offering

Annual Family Income	6 %	5 %	4 %
\$20,000	23.00	19.00	15.00
\$30,000	35.00	29.00	23.00
			31.00
\$50,000	58.00	48.00	38.00
\$75,000	87.00	72.00	58.00
\$100,000	115.00	96.00	77.00
\$125,000	144.00	120.00	96.00

In figuring your new weekly contribution amount, take your **YEARLY INCOME** and **multiply by 4, 5, or 6%.** Then take that amount and **divide it by 52 weeks.** This will give you your suggested weekly offering amount. Fill this amount in on your commitment card October 15/16.

Example:

$$\begin{array}{r} \$20,000 \\ \text{(ANNUAL INCOME)} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{r} 4\% \\ \text{(CHOSEN PERCENTAGE)} \end{array} = \$800.00$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \$800.00 \\ \text{(RESULT FROM ABOVE)} \end{array} / \begin{array}{r} 52 \\ \text{(WEEKS IN THE YEAR)} \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} \$15.38 \\ \text{(WEEKLY COMMITMENT AMOUNT)} \end{array}$$

Enter the **weekly commitment amount** on your commitment card October 15/16. (You may wish to round this amount to the nearest dollar, as in the chart to the left.)

Sample Offertory Commitment Card

On the back cover is a **sample** of the card that you will receive at mass this weekend. Please determine which member of your household will complete the card and what your commitment will be before coming to church.

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