



STEWARDSHIP | THE PATH OF FAITH

My Catholic Giving Guide



BUILD MY KINGDOM

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to “build His kingdom on earth.” We do our part by sharing the gifts God has given us. Of all the ways to be generous, giving money can be the most challenging — God understands this!

Remember, God has a plan for you, including your finances. Trust that He will provide for all that you need.

- † Does your desire for material possessions and money outweigh your desire for God?
- † Do you place other “gods” before God?
- † Do you give from your “first fruits” or from what is left over?

BEST PRACTICES

- Plan your giving annually.
- Use your parish’s electronic offertory (if applicable).
- Tithing: Give 5% to your local parish and 5% to greater Church and secular charities.

“Whoever sows sparingly will reap sparingly and whoever sows bountifully will reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”
2 Corinthians 9:6-7

ANNUAL GIVING OPPORTUNITIES



Weekly Offertory
Supports local parish ministries



UPCSA
Supports diocesan ministries, parishes and schools



Collections
Supports specific Catholic ministries locally & world-wide



Parish capital campaign
Supports parish projects



Other Favorite Charitable Causes

USE THE WORKSHEET ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE TO PLAN YOUR GIVING

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MY CATHOLIC GIVING GUIDE WORKSHEET

1. CALCULATE ANNUAL GROSS FAMILY INCOME:

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

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
 \$ _____ X _____ % = \$ _____

4. DETERMINE DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH GIVING OPPORTUNITY:

OFFERTORY

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

U.P. Catholic Services Appeal (UPCSA)

Annual \$ _____

PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN (IF APPLICABLE)

Annual \$ _____

COLLECTIONS/MINISTRY SUPPORT

1. Catholic Social Services of the U.P. \$ _____
2. Lenten Rice Bowl \$ _____
- Local Collections:
3. U.P. Catholic Newspaper \$ _____
4. Marquette Diocesan Catholic Schools \$ _____
5. Marquette Diocesan Priest's Retirement \$ _____
- Mission Collection:
6. Black & Indian Missions \$ _____
7. Catholic Home Missions \$ _____
8. Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa \$ _____
9. Propagation of the Faith \$ _____
- World Church Collection:
10. Catholic Relief Services \$ _____
11. Holy Land/National Communications \$ _____
12. Peter's Pence (for the Pope) \$ _____
- National Church Collection:
13. Catholic Campaign for Human Dev \$ _____
14. National Retirement Fund for Religious \$ _____
15. Catholic University \$ _____
16. Respect Life Ministries \$ _____
17. St. Vincent de Paul Society \$ _____

OTHER FAVORITE CHARITABLE CAUSES

_____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____

TOTAL ANNUAL GIVING

AMOUNT: \$ _____



GIVING EXAMPLE

1. Calculate annual gross income:

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

2. Determine annual percentage to give:

3% _____ 10%

3. Calculate annual giving amount:

\$60,000	\$60,000
x 3%	x 10%
<u>\$1,800</u>	<u>\$6,000</u>

4. Determine dollar amount for each giving opportunity:

\$1,800	Annual offertory	\$6,000
x 50%		x 50%
<u>\$900</u>		<u>\$3,000</u>
	or	
\$900	Weekly offertory	\$3,000
÷ 52		÷ 52
<u>\$17.3</u>		<u>\$57.7</u>
	or	
\$900	Monthly offertory	\$3,000
÷ 12		÷ 12
<u>\$75</u>		<u>\$250</u>
\$250	UPCSA	\$600

\$20	Collections/Ministry Support (18)	\$50
x 17		x 17
<u>\$340</u>		<u>\$850</u>

Other charities

\$75	Grade school fundraiser	\$300
\$75	High school fundraiser	\$300
\$70	My parish capital campaign	\$400
\$30	Charity 2	\$200
\$30	Charity 3	\$200
\$30	Charity 4	\$150
\$310	Other totals	\$1,550

TEAR OUT AND KEEP WORKSHEET