

STEWARDSHIP – Grateful and Generous

Quotes on Generosity

“When faith does not reach the pocket, it is not genuine faith.” Pope Francis

“The measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.” Luke 6:38
When it comes to giving money there is “not equal giving, but equal sacrifice.”

“If parishioners do not have any money to put in the offertory basket, encourage them to put their empty hand in the basket as a sign of a ‘gift of self’ to the Lord.”

“The money I take out of my wallet and place in the collection basket belongs to God, but so does the rest of the money that goes back into my pocket.” Tracy Earl Welliver

- “What do you own and what owns you?” Archbishop Thomas Murphy

Tithing

Tithing means “one tenth” or 10%.

As recommended by the Archdiocese, anyone interested in tithing, give 5% of gross income to their local parish and 5% to other Church needs and charity.

Many people are not in a position to start out tithing, however, over time, by adding a 1% increase each year, they can reach 10%.

For many people that tithe, 10% is the starting point (not the end point) and they give beyond 10%.

Is a concept we should continue to talk about and encourage people to do with joy.

Several parishes have developed tithing committees and give a portion of their offertory to other ministries or charities, eliminating second collections.

Why don't people tithe anymore? Because we don't ask them!

We need to talk about tithing more in our parishes.

Only 5% of people nationally tithe (which means gives 10%).

My Catholic Giving Guide

Catholics have many opportunities to be generous.

Each giving request goes to a different ministry, organization, or cause.

We are called to support all or as many of the giving opportunities as we can.

We shouldn't pick one over the other but plan the best we can to support as many as we can.

The Church recognizes that people have a finite amount of money.