



STELLA MARIS PARISH
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Dear Parishioners and Friends of Stella Maris:

As Advent approaches, and we contemplate the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ, into this world, I am writing to ask that you take some time to reflect on your contribution to our Parish.

I am very grateful for the support that our Parishioners offer. Your faithful service as volunteers, and your generous monetary donations make our worship and discipleship possible.

Yet our Parish does face certain challenges. We have five churches to maintain, each beautiful and unique, but each with its own set of maintenance and improvement priorities. Our Mass attendance varies enormously with the seasons. Our clergy and staff, though serving with great joy and enthusiasm, are often stretched thin as they work to meet the needs of parishioners as efficiently as possible.

Moreover, there is the need to grow our Parish – to bring in young people, families, and converts, and to exert our influence as devout and joyous Catholics. As disciples, it is our mission to set an example of peace, strength, and belief in the Gospel for an often lost and bewildered secular world.

So I ask that at this time you consider carefully your charitable giving to the Parish, that you pray over it, and that you look to discern God's will as to your stewardship.

My promise to you is that we will use your donations for worship, faith formation, ministry to the poor, the sick, and the dying, and for the propagation of the faith, in all its beauty and glory. In short, it will go towards helping our community to grow in holiness.

To complete your pledge to the Parish, please fill out the form on the reverse side of this letter and return it to:

Stella Maris Catholic Parish
PO Box 49
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Again, I thank you so much for your generosity throughout the year!

Yours in the Peace of the Risen Christ,

Rev. Thomas J. Farrell
Pastor