

## RECOGNIZING THE SIGNS OF SACRIFICIAL GIVING

We are called to be good stewards:  
caretakers of our gifts by using them  
generously to serve God and neighbor.  
When setting out on your journey, consider  
the following goals for your Sacrificial Giving.

**FOSTERING  
STEWARDSHIP AS  
A WAY OF LIFE**

### PLANNED

A decision requiring thought and time.  
We do not give merely what we happen  
to have left at the end of the month.

### PROPORTIONATE

Our giving is proportionate to what  
God has given us. We give in proportion  
to the gifts we have received.

### SACRIFICIAL

We give back to God from  
our substance rather than  
our abundance.

### FREELY GIVEN

What we give to St. Thomas  
is a gift, given without  
reservation or condition.

### THANKFUL

Our offering is a grateful  
response to the immense  
love God has shown us.  
God is first in our lives.

## WHERE WILL YOUR JOURNEY TAKE YOU?

The journey to Sacrificial Giving is a gradual  
process, taken one step at a time. Please use  
this guide and the chart on the opposite side  
to help you take a planned step in making an  
offering to God of the first and best portion  
of all you've received. As you decide on the  
percentage of your income to give, consider  
giving one-half to our Parish and one-half to  
other charities. Every year, you will have the  
opportunity to reflect on and re-evaluate  
your giving to St. Thomas The Apostle Parish  
and other charities.

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## A PLANNING GUIDE FOR THE JOURNEY TO SACRIFICIAL GIVING



# MY COMMITMENT FOR THE JOURNEY TO SACRIFICIAL GIVING

*Please detach this form and return to the Parish.*

**In prayerful thanksgiving** for the many blessings received from God, I/we intend to make a Sacrificial Gift to St. Thomas The Apostle Parish in the amount of:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ weekly    ☐ monthly    ☐ yearly

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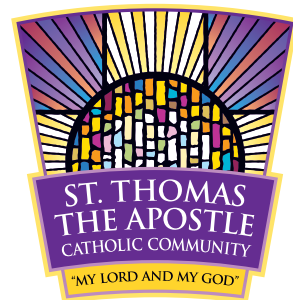
Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Address

City, State, Zip

Date \_\_\_\_\_



- Find your household income at the left of the chart below.
- Move across on the same line to find the amount you currently give weekly in the Parish Sunday Envelope.
- Move straight up the chart to find what percentage of your income your current gift to the Parish represents.



Please consider taking a step by pledging at the next level (to the right). For example, if you are presently giving 2% to the Parish, consider pledging 2.5% or even 3% now.



Consider setting your eventual goal at the biblical tithe of 10% (5% to the Parish and 5% to other charities). It may take a few years to get there, but this is a worthy and rewarding goal for all on the road to discipleship.

## THE JOURNEY TO SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Approximate Household Income		Weekly Giving to St. Thomas The Apostle Parish Through Sunday Envelopes*							
Per Hour	Per Year	1.5% Weekly	2.0% Weekly	2.5% Weekly	3.0% Weekly	3.5% Weekly	4.0% Weekly	4.5% Weekly	5% Weekly
\$5.00	\$10,000	\$3.00	\$4.00	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$7.00	\$8.00	\$9.00	\$10.00
\$7.50	\$15,000	\$4.50	\$6.00	\$7.50	\$9.00	\$10.50	\$12.00	\$13.50	\$15.00
\$10.00	\$20,000	\$6.00	\$8.00	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$14.00	\$16.00	\$18.00	\$20.00
\$12.50	\$25,000	\$7.50	\$10.00	\$12.50	\$15.00	\$17.50	\$20.00	\$22.50	\$25.00
\$15.00	\$30,000	\$9.00	\$12.00	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$21.00	\$24.00	\$27.00	\$30.00
\$17.50	\$35,000	\$10.50	\$14.00	\$17.50	\$21.00	\$24.50	\$28.00	\$31.50	\$35.00
\$20.00	\$40,000	\$12.00	\$16.00	\$20.00	\$24.00	\$28.00	\$32.00	\$36.00	\$40.00
\$22.50	\$45,000	\$13.50	\$18.00	\$22.50	\$27.00	\$31.50	\$36.00	\$40.50	\$45.00
\$25.00	\$50,000	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$45.00	\$50.00
\$30.00	\$60,000	\$18.00	\$24.00	\$30.00	\$36.00	\$42.00	\$48.00	\$54.00	\$60.00
\$35.00	\$70,000	\$21.00	\$28.00	\$35.00	\$42.00	\$49.00	\$56.00	\$63.00	\$70.00
\$40.00	\$80,000	\$24.00	\$32.00	\$40.00	\$48.00	\$56.00	\$64.00	\$72.00	\$80.00
\$45.00	\$90,000	\$27.00	\$36.00	\$45.00	\$54.00	\$63.00	\$72.00	\$81.00	\$90.00
\$50.00	\$100,000	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$60.00	\$70.00	\$80.00	\$90.00	\$100.00
If your household income is different than those listed above, approximate by using combinations of two or more amounts.		*You are asked to give an equal percentage to other charities (for example: if you're giving 5% to the Parish in the regular Sunday envelope, give an additional 5% to other charities for 10% total giving).							