

# Information

NAME

NAME OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED)

STREET ADDRESS

CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE

HOME PHONE

MOBILE PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

EMAIL ADDRESS OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED)

Dependent Children's names and birthdates:

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In the Gospel of Saint Matthew (6:19), Jesus instructs us, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal..." Often in life, we pursue and collect those things that do not last. We must ask, "One hundred years from now, where will our possessions be?" Our greatest blessing is our family. As Orthodox Christians, we are called to be stewards of this great gift. If we are faithful to this calling, perhaps our Lord will say to us as he did to the faithful steward, "Well done good and faithful servant" (Mt 25:23).

## Treasure

In gratitude for God's blessings, I/We commit to Christ and His Church the following amount for the Budget Year January-December 2023:

### Tithe/General Fund

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ each month or  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ each quarter

### Temple Fund

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ each month or  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ each quarter

For those with fluctuating incomes, an estimate/best guess is fine. It is understood that things can change over the course of the year, with unexpected circumstances arising.

## Planned Giving - Endowment

Please send me information on making a planned gift to the Church.

# Time & Talent

Please tell us your areas of interest and/or **skill**. Individual stewards should indicate areas of interest with a check (✓). Families should mark "H" for husband, "W" for wife or "C" for children. **If you already serve on one or more teams, use an asterisk \* to note those teams.**

### EDUCATION

- Bible Study
- Adult Religious Education
- Catechist (Grades K-6)
- Catechist Assistant
- Publications
- Speakers
- Bookstore
- Summer School

### LITURGICAL

- Sanctuary & Altar Care
- Acolytes/Handmaidens
- Baking Eucharist Bread (training provided)
- Singer (Choir/chanting)
- Reader
- Greeter
- Usher
- Festal Decorating/Flowers

### YOUTH

- Teen Religious Education
- Teen Program - Activities

### MINISTRIES & PROGRAMS

- Outreach
- Agape Meal Coordination
- Celebrations/Social Gatherings
- Women's Fellowship
- Men's Ministry
- St. Lucia Visitation Ministry to sick and home-bound members
- St. Brigid Homeless Outreach
- Intercessory Prayer Group
- Funeral/Burial Ministry
- Wedding Coordinators
- Meals for New Moms
- New Member Care/Events
- Seniors Ministry
- Couples Ministry
- Singles Ministry
- Campus Ministry (OCF)
- Project Mexico/St. Innocent Orphanage
- Int'l Orth. Christian Charities
- OCMC (Mission Center)
- Orthodox Christians for Life

### BUILDING & GROUNDS

- Garden & Landscape
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Clean-up
- Interior Repairs
- Exterior Repairs

### ADMINISTRATION

- Development / Fundraising
- Office help
- Computer / Technical
- Data Entry

### COMMUNICATIONS

- Website - Technical
- Website - Content
- Public Relations
- Photography

Any other talents, skills, or information on items listed above:

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## Frequently Asked Questions

*How do I become a member of the parish?*

Membership in the Orthodox Church begins at baptism (Chrismation for some) and continues throughout our life. We are united with Christ through the sacraments, or mysteries, of the Church and through our faithful offering of our entire selves to Jesus Christ. An important part of that membership is a commitment to support the church financially with tithes and offerings, and to serve in a ministry side by side with your brothers and sisters. In doing this, we are true members of the Body of Christ involved in living according to His word and within the Church. ("The whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love." Eph 4:16)

*Why must I commit to give a specific amount?*

Please keep in mind that your stewardship of money is kept in the strictest of confidence. However, we do compile the amounts anticipated to better plan our budget.

*What if I cannot fulfill my stewardship commitment?*

During the course of a year, people's circumstances change. Your stewardship is valued because it is made out of your love for God and His Church. Please do not be concerned if you are unable to meet your stewardship commitment – we are glad you are a part of this parish.

## Christian Stewardship Is...

...learning how to be a responsible and concerned caretaker of Christ's Church; it is learning how to enjoy Church life and be happy in Church work., for in Her dwells the fullness of the Spirit of God.

...our active commitment to use all our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgment of Christ's redeeming love.

...caring for the needs of others.

...offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us.

...what a person does after saying "I believe...", as testimony of that belief.

...devotion and service to God and His Church as persons, as families, as diocese/metropolis, as national Church and as Church universal.

*Williams & McKibben in Oriented Leadership*



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## Stewardship Commitment Card



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