

Give Thanks to God!

OFFER YOUR
TIME
TALENTS
AND TREASURES
TODAY

Contact Us to make your 2018
Stewardship Commitment

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STEWARDSHIP - In making a decision, one should keep in mind that the expenses of our Parish and the Church increase every year. In order to grow our ministries and meet our expenses, each Steward should strive to increase his or her offering annually.

CONFIDENTIAL - Your Stewardship Commitment is kept in confidence. Jesus taught us that giving should be done quietly, generously, and out of sight of others. If you wish to revise your offering during the year for any reason, please meet with your Priest.

WEEKLY GIVING - You may remit your offering in the manner that suits you best. Since small, regular contributions are easier to manage, it is suggested that your contribution be made on a weekly basis. "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income" (1 Corinthians 16:2)

THE STEWARD - The Stewardship Commitment qualifies a husband and wife (for married couples) and single adults as Stewards. Family members over 18 years of age who are employed should make their own Stewardship Commitment.

NEW STEWARDS - Orthodox Christians who wish to become parishioners in good standing need first to become Stewards by making a Stewardship Commitment for the current year.



*Transformational
Stewardship*

REALIZING CHRIST
AND OUR FAITH IN ALL THAT WE DO

*Stewardship
Strengthens our
Relationship
with God*

It is a Christ centered lifestyle
It is rooted in Christ
It is grounded in our prayers and worship
It affords us the opportunity to give our blessings back to God
It begins when we say "I BELIEVE" and then ACT on those beliefs

Imagine a carpenter with the crudest of tools. It takes him many days to make a simple table; and its quality is so low that the price he obtains for it is poor. He has a choice: either he can spend all the money he earns on food and drink or he can set some money aside, even if it means going hungry, in order to buy better tools. If he does the latter, then he will soon be making good tables much more quickly, and so his earnings will quickly rise. This choice is analogous to a spiritual choice that each of us must make. Either we can spend for our own pleasure all the wealth we possess or we can set aside part of our wealth to give to others. If we do the latter, then we may sacrifice a few immediate, earthly pleasures; but the joy we earn for ourselves in heaven, far, far surpasses the pleasure we have lost on earth. Every act of charity on earth is an investment in heaven.

-St. John Chrysostom-

