

Tithing is the practice, established by God in the Old Testament, of returning 10% of your resources to God. The tithe was not given based on the needs of the priests, of the Church, or of the poor. It was given simply in recognition and gratitude for the blessings that God had bestowed on the individual.

Stewardship of Treasure

We invite all parishioners to make a sustained commitment of financial support to St. Catherine of Siena Parish. This enables us to meet our current commitments and plan strategically in support of our ministries.

In keeping with the Biblical practice of tithing, Catholics are encouraged to give 5% of their income to their parish, 1% to diocesan appeals, and 4% to other charities that are close to their hearts. The following guide should help you assess your current giving and make a financial commitment for the coming year.

Annual Household Income	Weekly		Monthly		Quarterly		Semiannually	
	5%	3%	5%	3%	5%	3%	5%	3%
\$24,000	\$23	\$14	\$100	\$60	\$300	\$180	\$600	\$360
\$48,000	\$46	\$28	\$200	\$120	\$600	\$360	\$1,200	\$720
\$72,000	\$69	\$42	\$300	\$180	\$900	\$540	\$1,800	\$1,080
\$96,000	\$92	\$56	\$400	\$240	\$1,200	\$720	\$2,400	\$1,400
\$120,000	\$115	\$70	\$500	\$300	\$1,500	\$900	\$3,000	\$1,800
\$240,000	\$230	\$140	\$1,000	\$600	\$3,000	\$1,800	\$6,000	\$3,600

2017 Financial Commitment

Household/Family Name _____

I/We commit to the following amount \$ _____ given

Weekly Monthly Quarterly Semiannually Annually

by the following method:

- Weekly envelopes (current envelope # _____)
- Electronic Fund Transfer from Savings or Checking (Please fill out form on reverse side if not currently enrolled.)
- Electronic Fund Transfer from Credit Card (Please see information on reverse side if not currently enrolled.)
- Sending a check to the Parish Office or depositing it or cash in the collection basket

Additionally, I/we would like to make a one-time gift of \$ _____ to help the parish through its current financial situation.

I/We make this commitment as a visible sign of our shared responsibility for the faith community at St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

Signature(s) _____ Date: _____

Return this form via the collection basket, or mail to:

St. Catherine of Siena, 309 Siena Drive, Ithaca, NY 14850